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HONORING BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

And Celebrating our 30th Anniversary

Reminiscing thirty years across generations

By Janice K. Neal-Vincent, Ph.D. Contributing Writer



Since 1993, *The Mississippi Link* newspaper has been a guiding light for past generations, this generation and those

yet to come. Its oeuvre, which spans three decades, is a testament of creative genius and artistic vision. Writers invoke stories as the eye perceives them. These shared stories reach out to others – irrespective of age and time.

When you tell your stories, you come with messages that offer solace, whether focusing on home, news, buzz, opinion, sports, entertainment, education, religion or health. Through truthtelling and opining – connections have been made with you – and a long-lasting relationship has been established. It is because of you, the readers and subscribers that *The Mississippi Link* has ascended to great heights in the field of journalism.

This month is a catalyst for celebrating 30 years of pride, accomplishments, struggles and universal love. We remember women and men who moved to the Great Beyond because of their battles with breast cancer. We recognize women and men who are cur-



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rently battling breast cancer. We acknowledge women and men who have recently discovered that they now have breast cancer. We appeal to those of us who have not been diagnosed accordingly, to do self-examinations and to have checkups with medical personnel.

Also, within this issue is a request from candidates to vote in the 2023 General Election for the State of Mississippi Tuesday, November 7, 2023.

For those of us who utter: "My vote doesn't count," be mindful that there is no way for it to count since you have denied your right to vote. When you do not cast your vote, then, automatically, you are saying "yes" to that one who is in opposition to your viewpoint. You are saying, "Yes,



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it's okay for anybody to be in that position." You are saying, "Yes, handle me anyway you like." You are saying, "I don't care about any decisions that you make about my life within my community and state."

It is too late in the evening for copping out and diminishing into mutation. Too many have been traumatized, enslaved, hanged, lynched, dragged, gone missing, denied education, denied housing, pistol-whipped, lied on, rejected by the job market, subjected to meaningless chaos, etc. This is no time to be naïve, for our lives are significantly impacted by those voted into office. We can make the difference with the stroke of a pen.

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there would be no publications. Gratitude is extended to these loyal supporters who acknowledge the paper's veracity. They recognize the character of the paper's anchors: Jackie Hampton, publisher, Minnie Garret, copy editor and Marcus Johnson, graphic artist. These three are the bridge that transmits the paper into our hands and to its website: themississippilink.com.

We, The Mississippi Link newspaper's anchors and writers are grateful to you for experiencing this long-lasting relationship with us for 30 years. We are committed to continuing to provide you with stories about the occurrences within the community and beyond. With you aboard, we have bright promise for our writing and reading in the very near future.

Tomeka Smith: Victorious breast cancer fighter

By Janice K. Neal-Vincent, Ph.D. Contributing Writer

"I felt numb, and alone. I really didn't know if I was afraid or not, because this was my second time being diagnosed with cancer. What I feared the most was taking this breast cancer journey alone, and that's exactly what I had to do. My family, friends and co-workers were very supportive, but what I lacked, or was missing, was spousal support which was much needed in my situation."

The above was stated by Tomeka Smith (a Flowood, Miss. resident) who was diagnosed with breast cancer in July, 2018. She commented that a routine check-up led to a letter two weeks later that indicated that she had breast

During a recent interview, she described her medical treatment as having "the best doctors and nurses [that] there are." In spite of satisfactory experiences with her breast removal surgeon, Dr. Steven Patterson at St. Dominic Hospital, her plastic surgeon, Dr. William North at Runnels and North Plastic Surgery Center, and their medical



Tomeka Smith before suregery PHOTOS COURTESY OF TOMEKA SMITH

team, things were tough for Smith.

Throughout the duration of her

Throughout the duration of her treatments, the survivor encountered difficulty. She experienced radiation, divorce, depression and anxiety, but only confided in her doctors. She had to tell them because: "The stress on my body



Tomeka Smith after suregery

made it difficult for me to heal after each treatment."

While breast cancer can be hereditary, this was not Smith's experience. She explained that no one in her family has ever been diagnosed with any form of cancer. To top that, her doctors seemed

to have no clue as to why she has been diagnosed with two different types of cancers. "First in my early teen years, I was diagnosed with non-Hodgkins Lymphoma – and then in my early 40s with breast

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After you've done all you can, you just stand

As our suffering continues, this Governor claims "this is Mississippi's time."





Inez Johnson and Pastor Hickman Johnson, Farish Street Church

By Christopher Young Contributing Writer

What could be the explanation be for incumbent Governor Jonathan Reeves flooding the airwaves talking about Mississippi momentum and this is Mississippi's time? What momentum? Time for what? Some will say it's just politics; cherry-picking some reading and math scores, then mischaracterizing them as some sort of evidence that Mississippi is moving forward. Is it intended to provide some sort of "feel good" message for folks to be proud of?

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Our reality doesn't feel good! When elected officials play word games in the midst of lethal governance and ungodly corruption, it's far worse than just putting lipstick on a pig.

So, let's tell the real truth, because our lives depend on it.

Reverend Dr. William J. Barber II posted on X (formerly Twitter), "Mississippi has the lowest life expectancy in the country and the highest poverty rate. That means poverty is killing people." Let that sink in a moment.

Barber, once again devoting time, faith-based counsel, and resources in Mississippi, was one of several speakers at two churches in Gulfport last Sunday. He wasn't there by accident – he was there for Sunday service and Get Out the Vote Rally under the title Wake The Sleeping Giant.

The current governor presides over death and suffering in The Hospitality State, not prosperity and life. He doesn't govern for all Mississippians.

He is an elitist governing for the wealthy as the rank and file suffers. Take a reminder:

• Blatant refusal to expand Medicaid – as our healthcare is ranked 49th overall, 45th in access, and 50th in quality by US News & World Report. We are one of only 10 states who have not expanded Medicaid. Expansion would bring an average of 11,000 jobs

· Undeniably part of the largest fraud case in state history – a minimum of \$77 million taken from the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) fund, a safety net provided by the federal government for the poorest of the poor in Mississippi, and used for fitness coaches, volleyball facilities at University of Southern Mississippi, stays at West Coast substance abuse treatment centers for former wrestlers, and the like. Reeves fired the prosecutor when he issued subpoenas to USM.

• Calling a special legislative session to award Steel Dynamics, a multi-billion-dollar Indiana-based company, \$247 million in taxpayer funded incentives (upfront cash, rebates and grants) for a project in The Golden Triangle that promises 1,000 jobs paying \$93,000 per year. Unbelievable, based on our track record with these ventures. No special session called for our healthcare crisis or the water crisis.

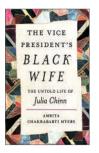
The list goes on and on. Is it finally enough to Wake the Sleeping Giant? Notice that this article does not mention any political parties. In so

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Jackson State gets back on the winning track against Valley



Vice President's Black Wife



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"Equality Meets Opportunity" mission statement for Sharon Moman, candidate for MS House District 56

By Jackie Hampton Publisher

Sharon Moman, a life-long resident of the state of Mississippi, is a candidate for Mississippi House of Representatives, District 56, which includes Clinton, Flora and Western Madison County.

She was born in 1967 at the hospital which was once called Hinds General. She grew up in Jackson and later moved to Clinton where she has lived for over 21 years.

Moman says her faith is very important to her. She serves as an associate minister at New Horizon Church International and also serves in the usher ministry. Her civic and community affiliations include the National Association of Realtors, Mississippi Association of Realtors, Clinton Chamber of Commerce, Women for Progress, Jackson Rotary Club and Working Together Jack-

Moman is the owner/broker of Moman Realty. She says she loves her job not only because it provides a service, but forms lifelong relationship. She said the



Sharon Moman, a candidate for MS House Dist. 56

excitement of the process and the enthusiasm at the closing table creates unspeakable joy for her clients and herself.

Before her career in real estate, Moman worked in the legal industry. In her words, "This industry is very rewarding because the law was first created by God and handed to man to manage."

She is very grateful for her past experiences working for the Honorable Mike Espy and Butler Snow Law Firm.

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Moman, a motivational speaker, wrote her first book in 2021 titled, Pardon the Courage to Be Set Free. She said the book helped her survive the trauma of divorce and is grateful that she was willing to be vulnerable and have the courage to write her story.

"The greatest reward on the other side of telling my story is to hear others say the book has helped them heal," she said. She also published a six part series on YouTube called 'The Pardon Me Series.'

"Everyone deserves a fair chance to succeed. Our nation's success is built on the founding principles of unlimited opportunity, quality education, commitment to hard work, and the freedom to pursue our dreams," she

Moman's mission statement in running for office is 'Equality Meets Opportunity.'

Moman is the mother of three sons, Kenneth, James, Sean and a bonus son/nephew Antonio.

McClure-Graves pledges continued 'commitment' to Hinds Co., District 2 voters

By Rander Phillip Adams JSU Intern

On Nov. 7, Bobbie Mc-Clure-Graves, Ph.D, urges voters to return her "service of commitment" to the Hinds County Election Commission. That "commitment," says McClure-Graves, extends to all residents of District 2, and beyond if applicable. If elected, voters will give McClure Graves a third opportunity to serve the district. She last served as election commissioner in 2019.

In a recent interview with The Mississippi Link, Mc-Clure-Graves shared she is aware that time can be inextricably intertwined with myriad factors which are directly influential to societal changes worldwide.

"Indeed, anyone who refuses to accept that time moves forward, not in reverse, shall inevitably become out of touch with reality and held prisoner to being 'stuck in a time warp," she said.

McClure-Graves added that since her last service in



McClure-Graves

the office, she has observed that there appears to be a need for upgrades within the structures of both the position and the operation of the election commission.

She continued, "Today progress in technology is rampant. It is imperative that the election commissioner stays vigilant in the voting process to new state election laws and legislation. This is where 'commitment' serves an election commissioner at its best, to avoid being 'stuck

in a time warp," she said.

Her return to the office would bring experience and knowledge to avoid potential adversities and 'deja-vu' mo-

"I am totally willing to accept any requisite training and changes of procedures. This will enable me to educate and better serve all constituents I serve in District 2 of Hinds County," she added.

Although the Hinds County Board of Supervisors recently allotted a pay raise for poll workers, McClure-Graves said, "If elected, I shall continue to be an advocate for equitable pay for poll workers, similar to others nationwide."

McClure-Graves wants voters in her district to know that her return to the office of Election Commissioner shall be to help establish absolute unity in the workplace.

"My motto is a vote for me is a vote for yourself, as I am 'committed' to serve you, my constituents, in District 2," she said.



Youth Matters

By Gabrielle Adams

This election is one of the most important elections for the State of Mississippi. During this time, our youth can play a huge role in changing the environment for the world but more specifically the state of Mississippi. From raising the minimum wage all the way down to ensuring Mississippi is a safe place to live, the youth can play a very important role in changing the way things are done.

The Collegiate Chapter (C100) of the 100 Black Men of America, held a Get Out to Vote (GOTC) event at Tougaloo College, of which students at Tougaloo had the opportunity to address statewide candidates regarding issues important to them. Othor Cain serves as advisor to Tougaloo C100 and served as MC of the event.

"Far too often our voices are left out, which is one of the many reasons we leave the state. We want our voices heard," said Monteal Williams, 1st VP of C100 and event planner.

The event was held Tuesday, October 24, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Bennie G. Thompson Academic Building located on the campus of Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, MS. It included a panel discussion, moderated by Mississippi State Representative, Robert Gibbs (Dist. 72) and Senior Public Policy Scholar President, Aleshia Young (Tougaloo NAACP)

Celestial Gordon Griffin is running for the election commissioner of District 2 and vows to not only make a difference within the youth but make a difference within the entire community in hopes of making it a better place to live and thrive. She stated, "I want to make it easier not only for regular citizens but for the youth. There is no reason we should not have terms set in place that allows for voting to be made easier when the same is being done for things like food, gas, etc."

Voting is not made easily accessible for people around the city. Many will agree that youth need to be able to vote within or near the school they're associated with in order to help make

De'Keither Stamps is running for public service commissioner and shares similar values to the common theme on the panel. The youth has been said to have been the most important aspect within the election. Stamps said, "We should all respect each other in our communication and value what the other person is saying no matter the age."

What has started many movements is having the courage to speak up. "Don't wait your turn, take your turn," said Stamps. "Don't wait for anybody to pass you the torch, take the torch because that's what they did in the 60's and we moved the whole world forward."

There are certain aspects like online registration and no excuse for early voting that are implemented within the election that sets the scene for a safer environment in the eyes of the youth. Mississippi is home to hundreds of people and it is important that we set the tone so that the citizens



candidate for State Auditor, Reginald Thompson, candidate for Hinds County Sheriff, De'Keither Stamps, candidate for Public Service Commissioner, Central District; Incumbent Jody Owens, Attorney General; Ty Pinkins, candidate for Secretary of State, Wanda Evers, candidate for Hinds County Supervisor, Dist. 4; Bobby McClure Graves, candidate for Election Commissioner, Dist. 2; Celestial Gordon-Griffin, candidate for Election Commissioner, Dist. 2; and Greta Martin, candidate for Attorney General. PHOTOS BY JACKIE HAMPTON



Brandon Presley, candidate for Governor, speaking to students, faculty and community at Tougaloo College regarding the importance of voting in the November 7, 2023 election.

cannot only stay but most importantly

Greta Kemp Martin is running for attorney general. She believes there needs to be proper representation that works for the whole community and not just one part. "What we have right now is representation doesn't work for everybody and it definitely does not work for our state and it certainly doesn't work for our HBCUs, said Martin. She continued, "We want to make sure we have a Mississippi that is strong, where everyone is represented and has someone in the attorney's general's office that can represent them and their communities. When they are given the opportunity to exercise their rights safely they are aware that this not only affects them but their families as well."

Ty Pinkins is running for secretary of state and from his perspective, "The person who fills this position should be working on creating strong business relationships with industry leaders and strengthening our electoral voting system so the residents can feel like their voices are being heard and their votes are counted."

Pinkins stated he aims to create safer environments for the community so citizens can feel safer to vote and feel their voice is heard. He said, "Success starts with your environment and the only way you can grow is by catering to it in the small ways before change becomes prevalent in larger ways."

Brandon Presley is running for governor of Mississippi. He said candidates that are running this term can bring change to Mississippi on all levels but it starts with voting them in and that is in the hands of the citizens. He stated the race is tied between him and current Governor Tate Reeves and is therefore highly encouraged that citizens of Mississippi can cast their votes in order to force change.

Governor nominee Presley encourages everyone to commit to voting and making a change.

"We got a chance" stated Presley. "I ask you to join all of us over the next fourteen days to make plans to vote. Go vote today, anything can happen on Election Day so be sure to vote today if you have too."

Citizens no matter the age have a chance to be a part of the change that the state of Mississippi is set to make.

Candidates that participated in the panel discussion were Larry Bradford, candidate for State Auditor; Reginald Thompson, candidate for Hinds County Sheriff; De'Keither Stamps, for Public Service Commissioner, Central District; Incumbent Jody Owens, for District Attorney; Ty Pinkins for Secretary of State; Wanda Evers for Hinds County Supervisor, Dist. 4; Bobby McClure Graves for Election Commissioner, Dist. 2; Celestial Gordon-Griffin for Election Commissioner, Dist. 2 and Greta Martin for Attorney General.

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Rev. Barber in Jackson for Moral Monday March October 10,2022.

many ways we are beyond that. As the polls open on November 7, we need only ask ourselves who has done what for us. If we conclude that the incumbents have done nothing to help the vast majority of Mississippians, then we can vote to change that. Many across The Magnolia State have tried to bring about change, tried to ease us away from our perpetual bottom-dwelling position – invested their time, ideas, resources and effort. Many have kept the faith and done the works. After you've done all you can, you just

As Bishop Barber was speaking truth this past Sunday in Gulfport, others were speaking it at Farish Street Baptist Church in Jackson during a special service that highlighted Reverend E. B. Topp Mission Circle Members. One of the members, Inez Johnson, a retired educator, and longtime Farish Street Baptist Church member penned, from various part of Scripture, the Litany of Confession just for this special occasion.

The call and response was truly heartfelt. The leader portions included in part, "Scripture repeatedly tells us of our relationship to God and others through Service...Love one another...Care for one another...Pray for one another...Encourage one another...Help one another... Counsel one another...Support one another...For I was hungry, and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me. Truly I tell you, whatsoever you did for one of the least or these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

During the Farish Street service, the Reverend Dr. Hickman Morgan Johnson, called to serve as Farish Street Baptist's sixth pastor in 1968, went to Mark 6:46 - in brief, Jesus draws strength from this time with His Heavenly Father both refreshing Him and preparing Him for His next phase of ministry to both His disciples and the crowds.

Johnson masterfully highlighted how the boat was struggling against the furious winds...He meant to pass them by... they thought it was a ghost seeing Him walk on the water...He got in the boat with them, and the winds ceased. His conclusion was powerful and fundamental, asking the congregation – is He in the boat with you?

Donnie McClurkin wrote the song, "Stand," but on Sunday it was soloist Harvey Williams, Jr.'s voice who filled the hallowed Farish Street Baptist Church with faith, hope, love and strength - embodying the lyrics to the point of making

Some in this world have more choices than others, but we do have a choice. With less than two weeks to go before November 7, we have a choice, and we must stand. We must stand and bring our families and friends and neighbors with us. Is He in the boat with you? Is He?

Wake the Sleeping Giant and Stand Mississippi, Stand!

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to be 48 on November 13).

Smith went on to say that cancer was only found on the left breast. Despite that discovery, "I had both breasts removed and replaced." The procedure, however, went well and left no damage.

After Smith received treatments from her doctors, she was, like other women with breast cancer, fitted for special bras. Such fitting, however, did not deter her from engaging in normal, daily functioning. Since being released, the breast cancer fighter has been determined to let nothing hinder her

Engaging in a daily dietary routine has become commonplace for Smith. A very low carbs' diet, green tea and plenty of water are her specialties. Smith learned that in-

cancer," said the 47-year-old Smith (soon corporating these items became normalcy

What advice does Smith offer to the community? "If you still have breasts, it's a must that you...have annual mammograms. If, however, you have had your breasts removed, or if you don't have any breasts, then, you don't need to have a mammogram."

Furthermore, the breast cancer survivor was quick to offer the following advice. "If you experience anything different, or wrong with your body, always discuss it with your doctor (asap). Do not hesitate, do not wait – because all the stress that my body has endured over the years has caused me to have type 2 diabetes. This is not because of what I eat, but because of what stress I have impacted on my body."



Tough on Crime, Smart on Justice. VOTE Tuesday, November 7th, 2023! Dear Ms. Hampton:

I extend my deepest gratitude and admiration to you, the esteemed publisher of The Mississippi Link. In an age where unbiased reporting is paramount, you have consistently upheld the values of objective journalism, ensuring that the voice of the African-American community is heard, represented and respected.

Your unwavering commitment to keeping the community's needs at the heart of every story is evident in every edition. The way you connect with and relate to the greater community, not just in Jackson but across the state of Mississippi, speaks volumes about your dedica-

The Mississippi Link, under your leadership for the past 15 years, has become more than just a media publication; it is a beacon of hope, inspiration and truth for all of us.

I salute your efforts and thank you for the significant impact you've made on the thoughts, attitudes



Constance Slaughter-Harvey, Esq.

and decisions of your readers and viewers.

Please enjoy this 30th Anniversary of The Mississippi Link as the publisher and join in our celebration of this event as we honor and applaud you and The Mississippi Link family!

Sincerely,

Constance Slaughter-Harvey, Esq., Board President of Legacy Education and Community Empowerment Foundation, Inc.

cc: Legacy Board of Directors and Executive Director Harvey Burwell

Dear Jackie and The Mississippi Link Staff,

Please accept our sincerest congratulations to you as 'we', the community, celebrate with you the 30th Year Anniversary of The Mississippi You have served as an outstanding news outlet for all of our communities.

On behalf of our Executive Director, Dr. Karla McCullough, our Board Chairman, Dr. William T. Jemison, the members of our Board of Directors, our community organization partners and mentors of our Choose to Grow, A-TEAAM and ESTEEM programs, we extend to you our sincerest appreciation for always sharing the work we provide in service to our community, and especially to our youth. Over and over again, The Mississippi Link has helped to shine a 'positive light' on our youth who are commitleaders of tomorrow.

When our youth see their photos in your news-

Juanita Sims Doty

paper, we see their eyes glisten with joy in knowing that we care, you care and that the community cares for them. They feel so, so special. Thank you!

Congratulations again ted to becoming our great on an outstanding 30 years! We pray that God will continue to bless The Mississippi Link to be that

beacon of light for our youth, for our families and for our organizations as we, together, continue to serve our communities.

Blessings and Love, Juanita Sims Doty, Deputy Director, JSD Foundation

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James B. Ewers Jr, Ed.D.

Congratulations and kudos to *The Mississippi Link* newspaper on your 30th Anniversary.

I am honored and delighted to give grand applause to *The Mississippi Link* for 30 years of exemplary service. Your publication has been a shining light and beacon of hope for the city of Jackson and the state of Mississippi.

You have provided citizens with profound and prolific news stories which have enhanced the quality of life for people in the region. Your articles have been timely and factual. You have always embraced the truth

in your reporting.

The Mississippi Link is the link that connects hope and opportunity to the Gem City. Citizens depend upon you for their local, state and national news. Your thoughts and opinions matter. You are their heartbeat, and you have the pulse of the region.

I wish continued success to the ownership, the administration and to the writing staff. Keep excelling with your goals lofty and your aims high.

Sincerely,

James B. Ewers Jr, Ed.D.

President Emeritus

Teen Mentoring Committee of Ohio

Congratulations to you, Jackie Hampton and staff, for thirty (30) years of hard work and dedication in publishing *The Mississippi Link* newspaper.

The Mississippi Link has been crucial in presenting an unbiased and positive view of the black community in Jackson, MS.

As a native of Jackson, residing in Greensboro, NC, I am a long-time subscriber of *The Mississippi Link* and have enjoyed reading the weekly paper that keeps me informed about my home town. I have been away for over

fifty years and I enjoy keeping up with the city in which I received my early education and where I was reared.

The Mississippi Link presents a view of local, state and national events that better informs readers of current events in this



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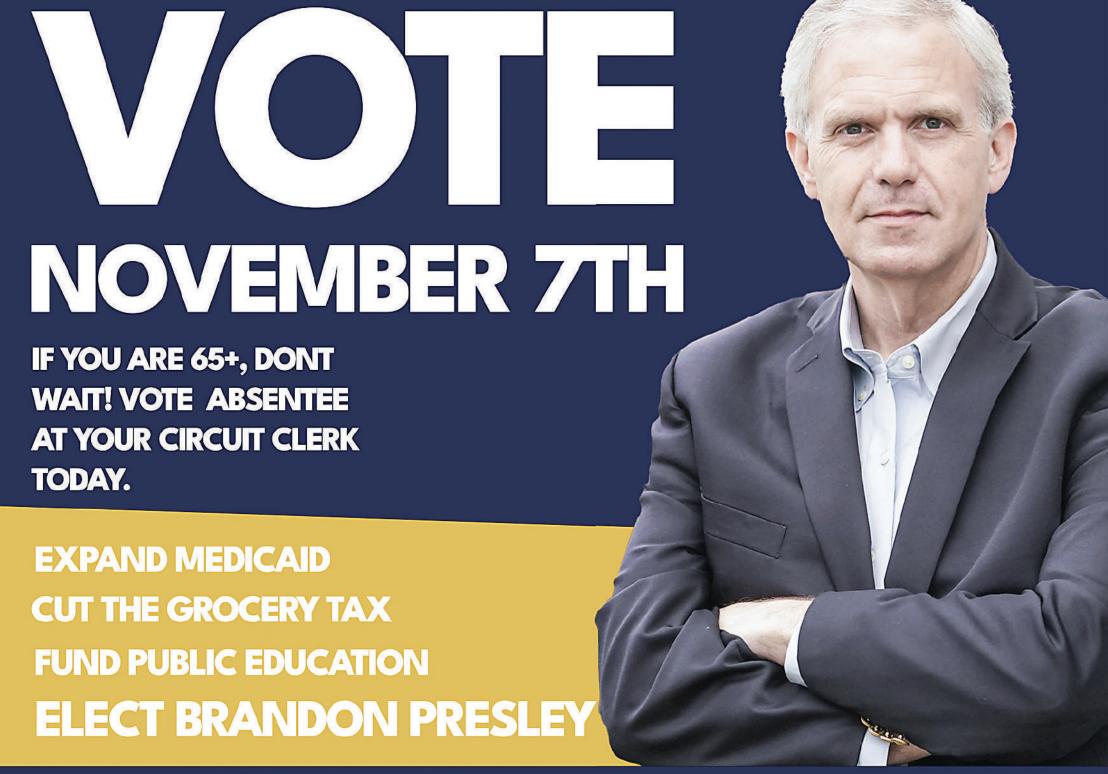
country and the world, and I look forward to continuing my support for you and the paper for many years to come.

Sincerely,

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MISSISSIPPI LINK ON 30 YEARS OF JOURNALISM

For 30 years, The Mississippi Link has been a trusted source of news and information for communities of color in Mississippi, and beyond. We are grateful for The Link's commitment to serving communities of color and telling the stories that are often overlooked or ignored by mainstream media.

We Salute The Mississippi Link Children's Defense Fund - Southern Regional Office

&

Southern Rural Black Women's Initiative for Economic and Social Justice (SRBWI)

URGENT NEWS:

Attention, all Mississippi Medicaid and CHIP Participants.

Due to COVID-19, the Mississippi Division of Medicaid has provided uninterrupted coverage for eligible individuals. However, as of April 1, 2023, Congress required states to reevaluate everyone's eligibility. As a consequence, more than 81,000 adults and children in Mississippi have already lost their Medicaid or CHIP coverage. If you have or know someone who has been affected by this - it is crucial for them to take immediate action!

Participants can update their information and restore any lost coverage online at www.medicaid.ms.gov/staycovered or by calling the Mississippi Division of Medicaid at 1-800-421-2408 or 601-359-6050.



Meet Democratic Attorney General candidate Greta Kemp Martin

Longtime advocate for Mississippians with disabilities sits down with The Mississippi Link

By Christopher Young Contributing Writer

Greta Kemp Martin was raised in Tishomingo County, where her father has served in law enforcement for over 40 years. She is married with three "bonus" children; ages 22, 16 and 12. After Belmont High School she graduated from the University of Mississippi in 2007 with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice and corrections, and a juris doctor from Mississippi College in 2010. For many years she has served as the litigation director of Disability Rights Mississippi, a private, non-profit corporation with a federal mandate to protect and advocate for the rights of individuals with disabilities.

We began by asking her opinion of the shift leading to the incumbent Attorney General being the first Republican AG in 142 years in Mississippi.

GKM "I think it happened right at the cusp when we were seeing a real shift toward this divisiveness between Republicans and Democrats, but also, I believe the Democrats put forth a fantastic candidate in Jennifer Riley Collins – but we ultimately saw some of the embedded racism that we see in this state...I think that came into play," Martin said.

In August, 69% want AG Lynn Fitch to remain in the office despite what many view as a lackluster performance. What explains this?

GKM "We're a conservative state. She's going to start 10 points ahead of a Democratic candidate because she has an R behind her name...she is also the architect of the Dobbs Case, and many people here have wanted that overturned. Fi-



Greta Kemp Martin "in action." PHOTO PROVIDED BY GRETAFORAG CAMPAIGN

nally, I think a lot of Mississippians don't understand the Attorney General's Office and how it should impact their life."

As litigation director for Disability Rights Mississippi, you know about cultures. Should the culture of the State Attorney General's Office include sticking up for the rights of vulnerable and historically disadvantaged population?

GKM "100%, the AG's Office has a unique role in pursuing elder and vulnerable adult abuse cases. I know personally that we have asked the AG's Office to investigate several cases and never heard back from them and so we had to find another alternative. Also, the AG's Office has no civil rights division, which would look at things like disability discrimina-

tion and how to support these and other vulnerable communities and I think that is a mistake."

When asked about Rasheem Carter being dismembered in Taylorsville a year ago and AG Fitch never saying a word about it, Martin's repy was swift.

GKM "That is a stain on our state. We have to be able to talk about these situations and bring them to the forefront. It seems like our state leaders, Lynn Fitch included, get more and more weary of having uncomfortable conversations and educating Mississippians. We can't bury cases like that because they will continue to happen – this is another example of her operating behind this brick wall. Her inaccessibility is a problem and I intend to

fix it if elected."

Mississippi claims that we celebrate a culture of life here. Do you see that?

GKM "I see it every day out on this campaign trail....by next Friday we will have hit all 82 counties...there is so much hope in this state, – you go into the Delta and see the food, music, art...so many people doing wonderful things trying to make our state better, and it's just a shame we can't have that kind of positivity and work ethic in our state leadership."

Do you see things that run totally counter to a culture of life?

GKM "I do. I don't know how you can claim to be pro-life when you spend all your time trying to figure out ways to keep the people of Mississippi down in areas like healthcare, education, incarceration and voting rights. Our state is vibrant – its people full of diversity – but our leadership holds the state back."

You reside in Jackson. Despite millions being spent on the Capital Complex Improvement District, are you aware of any reduction in crime or homicides in Jackson?

GKM "I'm not aware of any...this bill is unconstitutional, and Fitch has failed to advise our lawmakers as to the constitutionality of legislation – it's a vital role that the AG should play. Let's face it, we are in court more often than not for legislation that should never have been passed."

The AG has challenged the August ruling of a 5th Circuit panel which ruled that Mississippi's lifetime ban on voting for people convicted of certain felonies violates the Eighth Amendment's pro-

hibition against cruel and unusual punishment. The ruling would refranchise tens of thousands of people, but the AG doesn't want that.

GKM "It will be a lengthy process, well before the General Election. She doesn't want to expand voting rights, that's why she did it. The population that this law affects is overwhelmingly the black community – I think that's why they appealed it."

We all know about the largest fraud scandal in the state's history, where upwards of \$100 million intended as a safety net for the poorest Mississippians was pilfered under Republican officials and their appointees. What should the AG's Office be doing?

GKM "In 2021, the AG's office should have done their own independent investigation and subsequent prosecutions and be heading up these civil cases. Instead, they hired a private attorney, he then got fired; now we have a private law firm that gives campaign contributions to Tate Reeves and Lynn Fitch, who are practicing delay delay delay to ensure that the people of Mississippi do not know anything about this before the election. Private attorneys should not be involved. Mississippi taxpayers have already paid for lawyers who staff the AG's office and Lynn Fitch is one of them."

We thank Greta Kemp Martin for sharing with the readers of *The Mississippi Link* newspaper and wish her well on November 7th.

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Representative Jim Jordan has worn out his welcome

The House Republicans do not want him

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



As a boy, I would visit a lot of my friends' homes to play and to have fun. My parents would always tell me not to wear out my welcome by staying too long. If I violated this principle, it showed that I had no HT (home training).

Do you know anyone who has overstayed their welcome? Sure, you do. Ohio Representative Jim Jordan has worn out his welcome. First off, Mr. Jordan's political views are extreme and not aligned with best practices such as teamwork and compromise.

For example, he still believes that former president Donald Trump won the last election. He is an elected official who just can't get over the proven fact that his candidate lost.

As we know, the House of Representatives has been without a speaker for some weeks now. When will this madness end? Mr. Jordan decided last week to throw his hat into the ring and try to become the speaker. Since his announcement and subsequent failure. I have been trying to figure out what made him think he could become speaker of the House?

On his first attempt, 20 Republicans said no. On his second try, 22 Republicans said no and on his third attempt, 25 Republicans said no. Mr. Jordan, I kindly submit that you have worn out your welcome.

It is clear his colleagues do not want him. Remember, one of the rules of baseball is three strikes and you are out. CNN commentator Dana Bash said, "This is a fight within the Republican Party." It is on display for America to see. Many have labeled it as the Trump loyalists versus the tra-

It is sad but true that a man who had no business being president has affected a significant number of Americans. He has also galvanized a group of Republican lawmakers to become selfish and sinister like he is.

Representative Matt Gaetz (R-Fla.) who is one of the Trump supporters said, "So we've made them an offer. The eight have said that we are willing to accept censure, sanction, suspension, removal from the Republican Conference." He made these comments after Mr. Jordan lost for the third time.

How can you put someone in the speaker's chair who believes Mr. Trump is still the president? Who in their right minds will buy into that logic? We know the answer to that question. Nobody!

Now, the political soap opera continues within the Republican Party. Reports say Majority Whip Tom Emmer from Minnesota wants to be speaker. He said, "The GOP Conference remains at a crossroads and the deck is stacked against us." Mr. Emmer previously served as chair of the

Kevin McCarthy has already endorsed him. Is that good or bad? A basic question for Mr. Emmer is, do you know that Joe Biden is the president? If his answer is yes, then maybe that's

There are several candidates within the House Republicans that have an interest in running. One of them is Representative Byron Donalds from Florida. Mr. Donalds is African American. It would be a special moment if the House Republicans chose him as the

During the coming days, some decisions are going to have to be made by the Republicans. The House is now muted. Issues regarding Ukraine and Israel loom large and need attention.

The voters in this country are fed up with the Trump brand. It's burnt and overcooked. If you are a House Republican, remember this part of an old expression: Fool me once shame on you. Shame on the House Republicans.

Grow our parties or our people, which comes first?

By Jannie B. Johnson The Caring n' Sharing School



I realize that I am a leader of a small group compared to some of the groups others Mississippians are leading. It's understandable that

my experiences and perceptions could be unlike those of other leaders. But, after 50 years of leadership, I am of this persuasion, if we are to experience any measure of success as leaders or followers, we need divine intervention. We can fake success but reality tells the story.

Life has made me a believer, that "without God, we can do nothing." I have witnessed our moving forward making tracks that led round and round, back and forth, crisscrossing under different names but little or no progress. I am no longer impressed by just good words, good promises or good looks. I am impressed by good

people with good behavior, good relationships at home and at work and doing their job as unto the Lord, ev-

Yes, I believe America can be great again. Now what's our definition of great and what time period is the again? America needs to define what's not great about her now and define what needs to be done starting from her young to her old. I say she needs to raise up some good people, some great citizens who know how to live together as fellow human beings, respecting each other and respecting each other's property, too.

We want a great America but who has the mind or the time to raise the children/the young citizens, full time? Make the sacrifice to raise the children and not out-source the parenting responsibility and opportunity to socialize the children in civility. Today's reality says to us we must grow an improved people pool if we

are to experience a great America. We can't fake greatness. The proof is in the daily news and the breaking news throughout the day.

Well done is better than well said. (A New England proverb)

We love our parties; we are committed to our parties but if we continue to delay growing up some good people, from the inside out, we will continue to experience economic stagnation, financial uncertainty, increasing military challenges and terrorist threats abroad and at home like shootings, killings, stealing, lying and cheating. Yes, we would that we could come together for the sake of our parties and grow our parties, but more urgently we need to come together for the sake of our country and save our unity.

We are losing that which once held us together as a nation as a people; that's our allegiance to God, country and fellowman.

Reach out and touch

By LaShunda Calvert, Ph.D.

Tips for a Good Marriage



One of the most beautiful expressions of love is touch. Touch is special. Touch is unique. Touch is reassuring. Further, touch is inspirational, uplifting and comfort-

ing. Moreover, touch is vital in helping build love in various relationships. For instance in parenting, it's nothing like a parent embracing their son and daughter with a hug, high five, or a pat on the back. It's nothing like grandparents embracing their grandchildren with a hug or squeezing their face cheeks. Moreover, it's nothing like a coach giving his players a fist bump during practice or pre/postgame. Furthermore, it's nothing like married couples sharing love with each other through touch. Unfortunately, there are a copious number of touchless marriages today.

Many married couples initially experience not being able to keep their hands off each other while dating or in the beginning years of their marriage. But touch in marriage eventually declines for some.

There are many couples who are in touchless marriages for the following reasons: touch was not modeled to them by parents, little to no love for their spouse, lost respect for spouse, living separate lives - separate bedrooms, separate lifestyles, little to no communication, little to no love making and busy schedules. Some feel that touch is more for younger couples. Some believe that touch requires too much effort. Some don't touch because they think sex suffices for touch (touch can be nonsexual - repeat, touch can be nonsexual). Some believe that touch is insignificant, and many don't touch simply because the thrill is gone (hard to engage in touch when the flame has been eradicated in marriage).

One of the most important practices in maintaining intimacy and connection in marriage is touch.

What does touch involve in marriage? Touch in marriage includes holding hands, snuggling, cuddling, hugging, massages, placing hand on thigh, leg, etc. slap or pat on the cheeks - not the facial cheeks, that would be domestic violence.

According to the Psychology Today website there are four ways that more touch can strengthen a relationship and have beneficial physiological effects. They are as follows:

• Hold your spouse's hand - When your spouse is under stress, holding their hand or stroking their forearm seems to have special powers. In general, spouses who engage in this type of touching seem to have lower blood pressure and show other signs of improved cardiovascular functioning.

• Hug – spouses who frequently hug

are more likely to keep the positive vibes going even if they've been engaged in some form of conflict. Hugging can also help alleviate any physical pain your partner may be experiencing.

• Put other sensory modalities to work - a touch that you offer in a visually pleasant environment can work to your advantage. The environment sets the context, which, in turn, affects the "motivational relevance" of the touch.

· Show that the touch was deliberate - make sure that your spouse is aware of your touch, in other words, spouse should not feel that your intentional touch was an accident or unintentional... reassure them that your touch is genuine and intentional.

If touch has declined in your marriage - the good news is, it can be turned

tips for increasing touch in your mar-• Hug more often and try lingering a

Marriage.com provides the following

few extra seconds in the arms of your · Hold hands when walking from the

car to store or while walking in neighborhood

· Hold hands while watching television or place your hand on your spouse's leg. · Snuggle up together on the couch and

share a blanket. · Cuddle before you go to sleep and

first thing in the morning before you get out the bed. · While gazing into your spouse's

eyes, hold hands. · Place your hand on your spouse's

arm or leg. • Rub your spouse's feet while relaxing

on the couch. · Give your spouse a neck massage while they are sitting in a chair.

· Give your spouse a relaxing back

massage. · Try something different and sham-

poo your spouse's hair. To conclude, touch can enhance one's

romance and intimacy. Believe it or not, touching in marriage can be vital in maintaining love and preventing separation and divorce. I know the song says, reach out and touch somebody's hands (another article) but in this instance please reach out and touch your spouse as described above. Touch allows you to express love in a nonverbal manner, which can be powerful and - depending on where you're touched - it can be exhilarating.

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America's clear and present danger

By Dr. John Warren Publisher San Diego Voice & Viewpoint Newspaper



Once again, a word of warning to this great nation and its even greater people. Israel was attacked when its

enemies perceived that the nation's internal conflicts presented a divided people distracted

days without leadership in The

from guarding its own interest. America's more than 20

House of Representatives, has clearly presented to the world a nation in such disarray that it can't even pass a resolution or budget to aid one of its closest allies, let alone conduct its own internal governmental affairs.

It appears that some members of Congress, the media and retired military, as well as persons who formerly served in government, understand that our adversaries like Iran, Russian, China, North Korea, and others see us as a weakened global

Let us not forget that our borders, which appear to be wide open because of a Congress that can and will not act, provide an open invitation for Hamas and others to launch attacks here on our shores much like what happened in Israel. And let us not forget those among us who are just as willing as foreign terrorists to kill as many, if not more, than we see in the rising death toll from senseless mass shootings among us.

It is a sad day for America when those we have chosen

to lead this great nation are so busy fighting among themselves that they not only lose sight of the business of this nation but also their sworn duty to "protect and defend" it.

Perhaps it's time to make some changes in how our government operates since the two party system is more tradition than law. Perhaps we can learn from how Israel set aside its internal differences, in essence formed a joint government with its opposition and focused on the threat to the nation as a hold. If only the Democrats can get 212 votes when none of the Republicans seeking the Speakership can come close, it might be time for a Democratic Speaker in a Republican controlled House.

It might be time to share some committee chairmanships, but allow the Republicans to maintain chairmanship of the House Ways and Means Committee which must clear all items coming to the floor, unless brought by a discharge petition which requires 218 votes to go directly to the floor for a vote.

A few radical members of Congress and, a former President who clearly cares about no interest other than his own, must not be allowed to destroy a nation, and the people of a nation as great as the United States of America. Always remember that just as the Soviet Union collapsed, the same could happen here. Again, we are reminded of the words of Thomas Jefferson: "Eternal Vigilance is the Price of Freedom."

Will we pay that price through ignorance?



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The winter sun and skin cancer

When we think of the sun's harmful effects on our skin, we often associate them with the scorching heat of summer. However, the sun's damaging potential is not limited to the summer months.

The winter sun, although less intense, can still have a significant impact on our skin, potentially leading to the development of skin cancer. The winter sun can affect your skin and increase your risk of skin cancer. You need sun protection year-round.

If you are Black or Hispanic don't believe you won't get skin cancer. While the people of color have lower rates of skin cancer they can still develop skin cancer. Compared with Caucasians, Hispanics and Blacks tend to present with more advanced, thicker tumors and thus tend to have a poorer prognosis, with higher mortal-

The five-year melanoma survival rate for Blacks and Hispanics is only 65% compared to 99% for Caucasians. Blacks have higher percentages of acral lentiginous melanoma (ALM, melanoma of the palms, soles and nailbeds) than Caucasians, whereas superficial spreading melanoma is the most frequent type in Caucasians.

The sun emits various forms of radiation, but the two most relevant to skin health are UVA (Ultraviolet A) and UVB (Ultraviolet B) rays. These rays are responsible for causing sunburn, premature aging and increasing the risk of skin cancer.

While the intensity of UV radiation is generally lower during the winter, it is not negligible. In fact, winter sun can still emit a significant amount of harmful UV radiation, and its effects on your skin should not be underestimated.

The Impact of Winter Sun On Skin

- Reduced Sunscreen Use: One of the common misconceptions about winter is that you don't need sunscreen. As a result, people are less likely to apply or reapply sunscreen during the winter months. This can be a dangerous assumption, as UV radiation can still penetrate the skin, causing damage even on cloudy or overcast days.
- Reflective Surface: Snow can act as a highly reflective surface, amplifying the sun's UV radiation. When you are in snowy areas, such as during winter sports, the sun's rays



can bounce off the snow and hit your skin from multiple angles, increasing your exposure to harmful UV rays.

- Dry Skin: Winter is known for its dry and cold air, which can lead to drier skin. Dry skin is more susceptible to UV damage as it lacks the natural protective barrier that healthy, hydrated skin provides. This can make your skin more vulnerable to the harmful effects of UV radiation during winter.
- Cumulative UV Exposure: Many people underestimate the cumulative effects of UV exposure. While a single winter day may not seem like a significant

risk, frequent exposure over time can lead to cumulative damage, increasing the risk of skin cancer.

Prevention and Protection

Skin cancer is a serious and potentially life-threatening condition, so it's crucial to protect your skin year-round, regardless of the season. We cannot eliminate all risk of skin cancer but we can control and eliminate some. To reduce the risk of skin cancer caused by the winter sun, it's essential to take precautions and protect your skin:

• Wear Sunscreen: Apply a broad-spectrum sunscreen with SPF 30 or higher to all exposed skin, even on overcast days. Reapply it every two hours when outdoors. Not all sunscreens are created equal. Read the label. Some sunscreen products may increase the spread of skin cancer.

- Dress Appropriately: Wear protective clothing, including long sleeves, wide-brimmed hats, and sunglasses to shield your skin and eyes from the sun's harmful rays.
- Seek Shade: Whenever possible, stay in the shade during peak sun hours. They are typically between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. It's cooler in the shade but safer.
- Stay Hydrated: Keeping your skin well-hydrated can help maintain its natural protective barrier, making it less susceptible to UV damage.
- Avoid Tanning Beds: Artificial UV radiation from tanning beds can also increase your risk of skin cancer. Avoid them altogether.
- Regular Skin Checks: Perform regular self-examinations and seek professional skin checks if you notice any changes in your skin, such as new moles, growth, or discoloration.
 - Wear contact lenses, glass-

es and sunglasses that offer UV protection.

- · Stop smoking. Smoking also has a link to skin cancer. That would include second and third hand smoke. A June 2012 study published in Archives of Dermatology and a December 2011 study publisher in Cancer Causes and Control found that squamous cell cancer was more common in smokers than nonsmokers.
- · Know your environment. Eliminate chemicals that increase your risk.
- · Talk to your doctor about everything.

The American Cancer Society pointes out that many chemicals can increase our risk for skin cancer. These chemicals include coal tar, soot, pitch, creosote and petroleum products, such as mineral oil and motor oil, shale oils and arsenic.

Remember that skin health is a long-term investment, and the consequences of sun damage can accumulate over time. Prioritize your skin health during the winter and beyond to safeguard against the risk of skin cancer.

Before starting any health or fitness program consult your physician.

How to navigate your medicare options during the annual enrollment period



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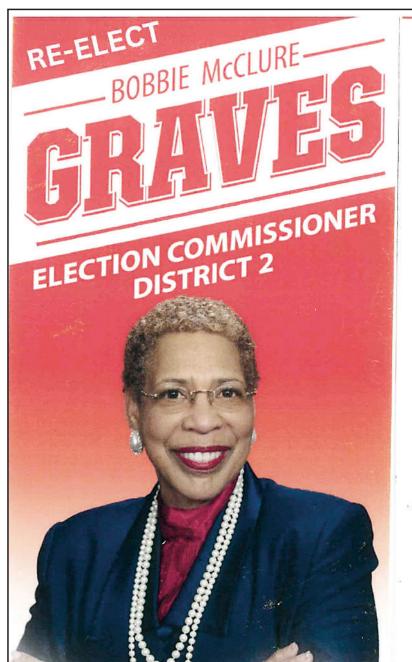
The average Medicare beneficiary in 2023 has access to 43 Medicare Advantage plans, the largest number of options ever, according to KFF. With so many plans to choose from, the Medicare and Prescription Drug Plan Annual Enrollment Period (AEP), taking place from October 15 to December 7, may be overwhelming and confusing.

"The Medicare Annual Enrollment Period is when you can shop for a new plan, if you want to," says Kate Long, consumer financial wellness advocate at Assurance IQ. "If you have a new doctor, are taking new prescriptions or if your existing plan simply no longer meets your needs, it could be time for a change."

As Long points out, shopping for a new plan doesn't necessarily mean you cannot stay with the same carrier. They may have multiple plans available in your area. The important thing is finding a Medicare Advantage plan that addresses your unique healthcare and budgetary needs. To help you navigate your options, consider these tips from Assurance

- The first tip is to review your Annual Notice of Change, which should have been mailed to you before October 15. This document explains changes to your plan, such as providers, prescription drugs or services no longer covered. Make sure to review it carefully to understand if these changes could impact your plan benefits.
- · Next, you'll want to assess your healthcare needs and financial standing. Are there services you know that you'll need in the coming year? If your finances have changed, can you still afford your current plan? Are you taking a new prescription that your current plan doesn't cover?
- Now it may be time to shop around. Before enrolling in a plan, make sure that your preferred doctor, specialists and any prescriptions you need are covered. Ask which out-ofpocket costs you will be responsible for. It's important to find an affordable plan for you.
- You could also speak with a licensed insurance agent about your needs. Prep for the conversation by having a list of your prescriptions on hand, having your Medicare card nearby, and having a list of your doctors and medical equipment you use. Knowing which company provides your medical equipment is also important. Be sure to also read the "Medicare & You" handbook that is mailed to all Medicare beneficiary households in late September. You can also find it online by visiting medicare.gov/medicare-and-you.

Medicare options are more expansive than ever. And while that makes the Annual Enrollment Period more complicated, the upside is that by doing your homework, you'll be more likely to find a plan that works for you.



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While past generations often "plowed through," professionals and educators insist that doesn't mean individuals today are mentally or emotionally weaker.

Modern generations prioritize mental health breaks as experts dismiss notions of emotional weakness

By Stacy M. Brown NNPA Newswire Contributor

In a time of heightened connectivity and constant information exchange, the significance of mental health breaks has taken center stage in discussions about overall wellbeing.

Some colleges and universities have gone to great lengths, closing campuses for up to a week, underscoring these breaks' crucial role in maintaining mental wellness.

While past generations often "plowed through," professionals and educators insist that doesn't mean individuals today are mentally or emotionally weaker.

"This generation is more informed about the importance of self-care, and I think they are better advocates," said Dr. Sandra Edmonds Crewe, the dean and professor of social work at historically black Howard University. "As a result, it sometimes feels like

their coping skills aren't that strong, but they are much more open than my generation," Dr. Crewe assured. She noted that Howard of-

ficials are especially sensitive to the intersectionality of racism and other issues that add pressure, particularly to students.

"You're dealing with racism and other 'isms' that bring added pressure to you if you're a student at Howard, and you're dealing with your academic responsibility," Dr. Crewe asserted. "So, we try and address the whole student, not just where they are in the academic space, but how mental health is a part of their academic performance and growth."

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration awarded Howard University a grant for mental health awareness training in August. The funding has helped the university teach graduate and undergraduate students about mental health by emphasizing how historically oppressed people have different triggers that relate to their well-being.

"So, we incorporate that in our education and talk about things like the enslaved person being mentally incompetent because they wanted to run for freedom," Dr. Crewe elaborated. "We incorporate that in the training and understanding of how racism has resulted in us falling into stereotypes; working

twice as hard, three times as hard, which increases your allostatic load which turns out to impact things like diabetes and hypertension. All those chronic conditions are sometimes related to how success looks like with you having to do more with less and that increases your vulnerability to mental health challenges."

Mental health breaks are incredibly important in our modern era because we are all more interconnected than ever before, offered Dr. David Rakosfsky, president, and owner of Chicago-based psychotherapy business Wellington Counseling Group. Dr. Rakosfsky said the surge in technology and the rise of social media have intensified the pressures on individuals.

"We don't agree with the idea that today's generations are emotionally and/or mentally weaker than prior generations," Dr. Rakosfsky stated.

Licensed grief and trauma therapist Arielle Jordan echoed that sentiment. "The idea that this genera-

tion is weaker emotionally or mentally compared to previous generations is a common misconception," Jordan stated.

She said taking mental health breaks, whether in schools, workplaces, or other settings, is viewed not as a sign of weakness but as a proactive step toward safeguarding mental well-being.

Licensed Professional Counselor Kayla Clark noted a growing inclusivity of society from a mental health standpoint has people more attuned to the emotional experiences of others. She challenged the notion that previous generations thrived without mental health breaks, suggesting that they, too, may have benefited from such respites.

"Yes, older generations 'plowed through and showed up physically.' I encourage other curiosities about those people," Clark remarked. "What did their intimate relationships really look and feel like? How satisfied were they with their jobs? How well were they able to emotionally connect with and support their children? How did they enjoy life outside of work?"

"We are moving in a direction as a society that is much more inclusive from a mental health standpoint. We have grown to understand people and their differences in experiences, which has taught us the importance of believing in people's emotional experiences," Clark stated.

Chris Rabanera, a psychotherapist, and founder of The-BaseEQ.com, supported that perspective.

"We live in a different period with more information about mental health than ever before," Rabanera asserted. "I'm sure there are increases in levels of mental health. I'm also sure that mental health issues weren't addressed as they are now. An example would be ADHD. ADHD was not included in the DSM (Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders) until 1968. 15 years after the first DSM was published. Does this mean that ADHD wasn't around until 1968? Of course not. It just wasn't recognized. We are recognizing mental health issues better than ever."



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The newspaper organization that propelled me to a dream finally realized

By Gail Hargrove Marshall Brown, Ph.D. Former Editor and Contributing Writer

As I reflect on my years as freelance writer and editor, and numerous years as a contributing writer for The Mississippi Link, I cannot help but be immensely grateful to God for the education, training and experiences afforded me.

While there. I used to tell the publisher, Jackie Hampton, that the paper's motto should be changed to: "Connecting Mississippi to the World!" I said that because that's what serving the paper did for me, a person who came to Mississippi from Virginia in the very late 50's as a baby to the hills of Lexington, Miss.: a person who has traveled some but never lived outside of the state with no desire to do so. Despite some of

So when I was given assignments to cover famous people who visited Mississippi such as actor Avery Franklin Brooks, rapper L L Cool J. and others, that connected me to the entertainment world without traveling to Hollywood. When I had to travel to Oxford, Miss. to be with others in the huge, white bubble of a media tent for the Obama and McCain Presidential debate, it connected me, an editor/reporter/writer for The Mississippi Link, with renowned newspapers, broadcast companies and other media nationwide and possibly from around the world. What an exciting feeling that was. They had setups of all their state-of-the-art equipment, computers, etc. Because I was there with my old laptop, camera and digi-

I felt even more appreciative to cover now Former First Lady Michelle Obama.

On April 1, 2022, to travel to Greenville, Miss. with Publisher Hampton, to co-cover the visit of our nation's first American female Vice President of the United States, Kamala Harris, was absolutely awesome.

I could go on and on about my positive experiences with The Mississippi Link. I am so grateful they have stayed the course, persevered and did not fold as many African-American newspapers have since the founding of the first black newspaper in the U.S., The Freedom Journal, 1827, in

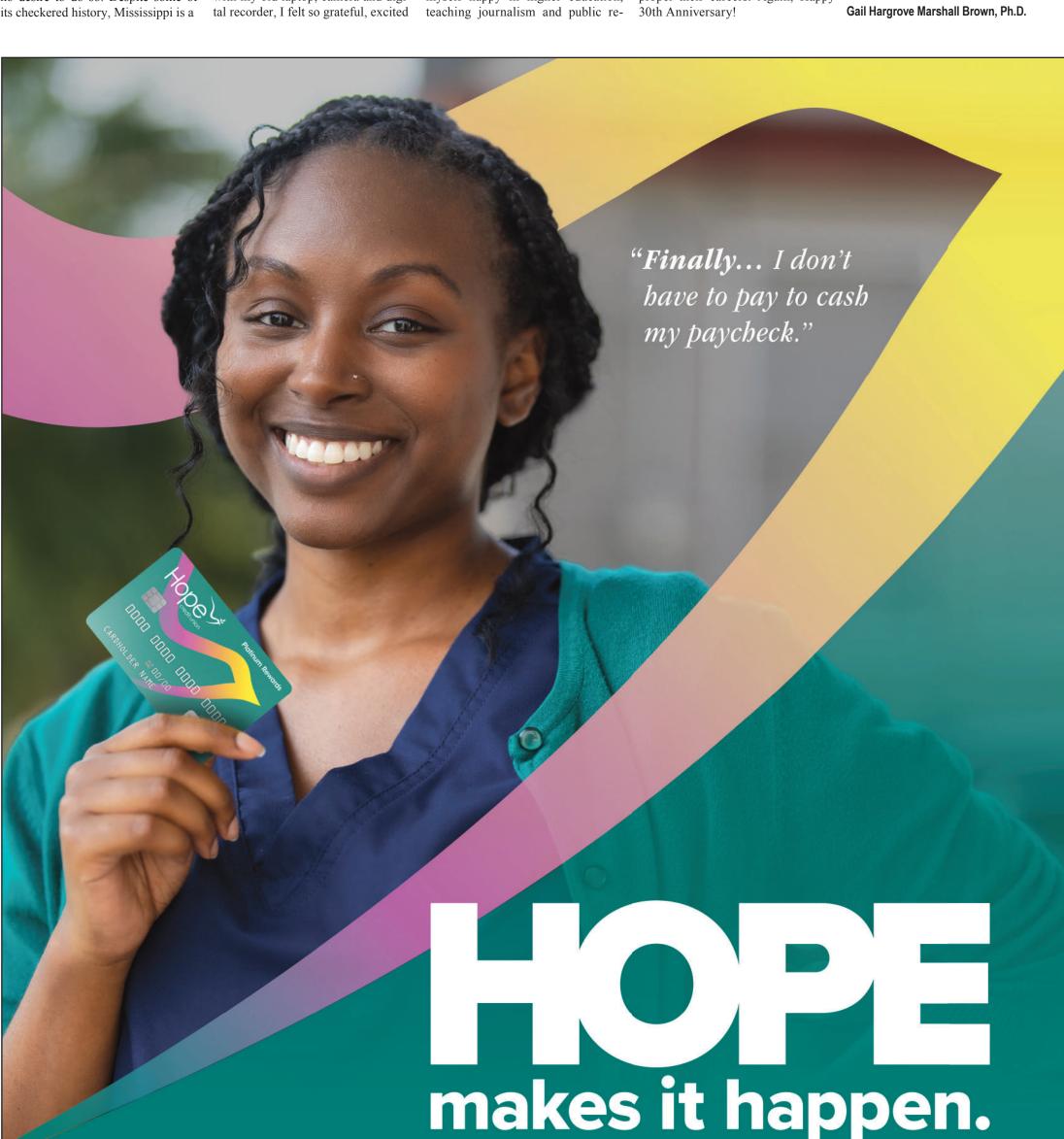
Today, in my senior years, I find myself happy in higher education,

lations at my Dear Old Mississippi Valley State University (MVSU), a dream that had to be deferred many times by life's circumstances but finally realized.

As I teach and train journalism and public relations students to build their clip files or to vie for National Newspaper Publishers Association's (NNPA) jobs and scholarships, I am extremely thankful that I can call on my "connection" with a young, viable and well-read African-American Newspaper organization as a print and online training vehicle that can connect their writings and them to a world of opportunities. Keep sticking around, The Missis-

sippi Link! Many journalism students need newspapers like yours to help propel their careers. Again, Happy







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Georgetown mourns the passing of coach Tasha Butts following a two-year battle with breast cancer

By Stacy M. Brown NNPA Newswire Senior National Correspondent

Georgetown University's Department of Intercollegiate Athletics officials said they are mourning the death of Women's Basketball Head Coach Tasha Butts following a courageous two-year battle with breast cancer. Butts, an accomplished player, nationally recognized assistant coach, and first-year head coach, was 41.

"I am heartbroken for Tasha's family, friends, players, teammates and colleagues," the Francis X. Rienzo, Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, Lee Reed, said in a news release. "When I met Tasha, I knew she was a winner on the court and an incredible person whose drive, passion and determination was second to none. She exhibited these qualities both as a leader and in her fight against breast cancer. This is a difficult time for the entire Georgetown community, and we will come together to honor her memory."

University President John J. De-Gioia also expressed his condolences. "Tasha's passing is a devastating loss. She was extraordinary – Tasha was a person of character, determination, vision and kindness," De-Gioia stated in the release. "She will be deeply missed by our community and by so many people around the country who have been inspired by her life. We offer her family our



Beloved Coach Remembered for Grit and Inspiration

most sincere condolences."

Butts' transformative tenure at Georgia Tech, where she led the team to consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances, will live on in memory; the 2021–22 season witnessed a historic victory against UConn, snapping their 240-game winning streak against unranked opponents. School officials said her impact extended beyond the court as she fearlessly battled cancer while continuing to inspire her

players.

"In Tasha, we had not only a remarkable coach but a true warrior. Her strength and resilience were nothing short of extraordinary," remarked an emotional Reed.

At LSU, Butts left her mark on the program, leading the Tigers to multiple NCAA Tournament appearances and back-to-back Sweet 16 runs in 2012 and 2013. Officials said she mentored a generation of players, nurturing their talents and fostering their growth as athletes and individuals.

Butts regularly engaged in programs aimed at advancing coaching excellence and was recognized for her dedication to the advancement of blacks in sports.

A native of Milledgeville, Georgia, Butts was a standout player in high school. Her jersey, bearing the iconic No. 23, was retired to recognize her outstanding achievements.

Spencer, Sr. and Evelyn, her brother Spencer, Jr., her nephew Marquis, a large extended family, and the entire women's basketball community survive Butts.

With the 2023–24 season approaching, Darnell Haney will serve as the interim head coach for Georgetown, with the university and BIG EAST Conference officials declaring a commitment to continuing Butts' "Tasha Tough initiative," which focuses on early cancer screenings and detection.

Hollywood stars and executives unite in plea for hostage release amid Israel-Hamas conflict

By Stacy M. Brown NNPA Newswire Senior National Correspondent

A coalition of prominent Hollywood figures, including Chris Rock, Diddy and Tiffany Haddish, have penned an impassioned letter to President Joe Biden, expressing gratitude for his leadership during the Israel-Hamas conflict. The group of Hollywood power players connected to the recently launched website "No Hostage Left Behind" also urged continued attention to the hostages in Gaza in the letter.

The letter opened with a note of relief at the recent release of American and Israeli hostages. It cited the liberation of Judith Ranaan and her daughter Natalie Ranaan, along with Israelis Nurit Cooper and Yocheved Lifshitz, whose husbands remain in captivity. Despite a glimmer of hope, the letter emphasized that 220 people, including 30 children, remain in the terrorists' custody and are constantly in danger of torture and death.

The letter discussed the history of terrorization that both groups have experienced at the hands of Hamas while expressing sincere gratitude for what they called Biden's unwavering moral conviction and support for both Jewish and Palestinian communities. The group has governed Gaza for over 17 years and has left a trail of oppression and victimization.

The letter emphasized a shared desire for freedom and argued for Israelis and Palestinians to coexist peacefully, free from the brutal violence that they



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said Hamas promotes. It underlined the urgency of securing the release of the remaining hostages.

The coalition, which also includes Jerry Seinfeld, Lyor Cohen and Adam Sandler, called on the global community not to rest until all hostages return home safely, regardless of nationality. The list of those captured includes individuals from various countries, including but not limited to Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, France, India, Italy, Russia, Spain and Ukraine

President Biden has yet to respond to the letter.





Jackson State University receives \$2.5 million from NIH to establish the Delta Mississippi **Center of Excellence in Maternal Health**

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Center of Excellence (CoE) in Maternal Health, which will evaluate innovative approaches to reduce pregnancy-related complications and deaths and promote maternal health equity. The center is part of NIH's Implementing a Maternal Health and PRegnancy Outcomes Vision for Everyone (IMPROVE) initiative. The JSU center will receive more than \$17 million over seven years to address maternal health disparities in the Mississippi Delta (subject to availability of funds and satisfactory progress).

Compared to other high-income countries, the U.S. has a high rate of maternal deaths, with more than 1,200 such deaths occurring in 2021 the most recent year for which data are available. Each year, tens of thousands more Americans experience severe pregnancy-related complications, which can raise the risk of future health concerns, including highblood pressure, diabetes and mental health conditions. There are stark disparities in these maternal health outcomes by racial and ethnic group, and geographic region.

fessor of JSU's Behavioral and En-



Mary Shaw, Ph.D., chair and professor of JSU's Behavioral and Environmental **Health Department**

vironmental Health Department in the College of Health Sciences, is the principal investigator leading the



Girmay Berhie, Ph.D., professor/principal Investigator of the Public Health Informatics and Analytics program, is the coprincipal investigator for the JSU center.

gator for the JSU center.

The collaborative includes principal investigators Beryl Polk, Ph.D., Center of Excellence research collab- of the Mississippi State Department age, education, socioeconomic status orative. Girmay Berhie, Ph.D., profes- of Health; James Tucker, M.D., of ter will be led by Bizu Gelaye, Ph.D., sor/principal Investigator of the Pub- The University of Mississippi Medi- of the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Mary Shaw, Ph.D., chair and pro- lic Health Informatics and Analytics cal Center; Henning Tiemeier, M.D., Public Health, and Henning, Girmay program, is the co-principal investion of the Harvard T.H. Chan School of and Shaw.

Public Health; Nakeitra Burse, Ph.D., owner and CEO of Six Dimensions, LLC; the Mississippi Delta Community Hospitals and Clinics; and various community and faith-based orga-

Shaw said, "Mississippi, in general, has an alarming maternal mortality rate, but especially in rural areas such as the Delta, where access to care is critically deficient. Fortunately, Jackson State is among 10 nationwide Maternal Health Research Centers of Excellence that will collaborate with community organizations to implement and evaluate strategies to address health disparities, promote maternal health equity, and save lives."

The JSU center is a communityfocused collaborative "For HER" (Health, Education and Research).

The center will also support the training and professional development of early-career investigators, doctoral students, and postdocs interested in maternal health research, including those from backgrounds underrepresented in biomedical research.

The training component of the cen-

Wingfield teacher **Stephanie Peters honored** with 16 WAPT **Alyce Clarke Award**



De'Nahjae Trimble and Stephanie Peters

Jackson Public School Newswire

Wingfield High School science teacher Stephanie Peters is a recipient of the 16 WAPT Alyce Clarke Award. She turned a tragedy into a triumph for Wingfield studentathlete De'Nahjae Trimble after the aspiring engineer suffered a devastating injury last school year. To ensure he kept up with his schoolwork, Peters took on the extra duties of providing ongoing academic support via Zoom outside of her daily class schedule, including on weekends and during her planning period.

Grateful for the difference this made to Trimble's outlook and academic success, his mother nominated Peters for the Alyce Clarke

The Alyce Clarke Excellence in Education Award recognizes an exemplary K-12 educator in their viewing region who reflects exceptional teaching methodologies, positively impacts school culture and actively engages with their communities. The award is named in honor of Mississippi's first black woman elected to the Mississippi Legislature, Rep. Alyce Clarke. Through the award, the station seeks to extend her legacy as a beacon of strength and change in Jackson, Mississippi.

Peters is a 9th grade biology teacher at Wingfield. Although she's only been teaching at the high school level since 2018, she serves as the science department chair, a teacher mentor and a Freshman Academy lead teacher. Prior to teaching, she worked for 16 years in academia as a researcher in the Histology Core of the Department of Physiology and Biophysics at UMMC. Following her career change to teaching, in 2021, Peters was recognized as the school level Teacher of the Year at Wingfield and a JPS Rockstar Teacher.

Peters holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology and a Master of Arts in Teaching from Jackson State University. While completing her master's, she earned membership into the JSU chapter of Alpha Epsilon Lambda, a national honors society for high-achieving graduate students with a record of leadership and service to other graduate students or organizations that serve them. She is currently pursuing a doctoral degree in Education Administration & Supervision, Educational Foundation & Leadership.

Nine JPS educators honored as Outstanding **Educators by Ask for More Jackson**

The Mississippi Link Newswire

Ask for More Jackson proudly recognized nine exceptional JPS educators with the 2023 Outstanding Educator Awards. They were nominated by their school principals. These teachers were celebrated for their remarkable ability to inspire hope, kindle imagination and cultivate a love for learning. The ceremony took place Thursday, October 5, at the Thad Cochran Center within the Jackson Medical Mall, attended by families, friends, principals and district leaders.

In addition to a certificate and a personalized paperweight, each recipient received a monetary gift generously provided by an anonymous donor through the Outstanding Educator Awards Fund of the Community Foundation for Mississippi. These funds can be utilized for professional development or personal pursuits.

The esteemed Outstanding Educator honorees are as fol-

Nekita King-Adams of Raines Elementary has eight years of experience. King-Adams was chosen Teacher of the Month for February 2023 and serves as a volunteer for



Educators honored as Outstanding Educators by Ask for More Jackson

Habitat for Humanity and Ameri-Corps

Verna Edmond of Clausell Elementary has 16 years of experience. She was chosen Clausell's Teacher of the Year for 2022-2023

Triana Davis of Dawson Elementary has 13 years of experience. It is notable that she served as Metro Jackson Teacher of the Year and Daw-

son Teacher of the Year. Dr. Mavis Dawson of Green

Elementary has 18 years of experience. It is notable that she serves as a volunteer for 100 Black Men of Jackson, a member of Grandparents Do Matter Organization, and founder of Created for You **Tutorial Services**

Laquinta Hobson of Lake Elementary has nine years of

experience. She is a tutor for scholars in grades K-2 and the Summer Reading Program.

Tonya Hughes of Wingfield High has 29 years of experience. She has been recognized as Master Economics Teacher, Teacher of the Month at Wingfield High School and received numerous awards for student growth and afterschool activities.

Lanier Junior/Senior High has 20 years of experience. She is lead exceptional education teacher and recipient of the American Cancer Society's Silver Champion Award. Alesia White of Van Win-

Shondra Byars-Smith of

kle Elementary has ten years of experience. She was the JPS Rock Star Award recipient in December 2021.

Shimacha Williams of Galloway Elementary has 13 years of experience. She is a member of the National Association of Gifted Children, Ask for More Arts afterschool and summer school teacher.

"Thank you to the Community Foundation of Mississippi for supporting us. Educators are important, especially here in the City of Jackson," said Dr. William Merritt, JPS Chief of Staff. "I applaud each of you for your commitment to academic excellence. These educators embody the spirit of excellence, dedication and passion in the field of education, and are truly deserving of the Outstanding Educator Awards. They continue to inspire and shape the minds of future generations, leaving an indelible mark on their students and the community."

College Hill Baptist Church praised in pink

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In recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month the College Hill Baptist Church worshipped and praised in pink Sunday, Oct. 22, 2023.

Breast Cancer warriors were recognized and given gifts by Mission Circle #1, chaired by Claudia Henderson. The message was delivered by Rev. Calvin Peoples, a minister of the house. The pastor is Rev. Chaucy L. Jordan.



L-R – Debbie Hood, Penny Coleman, Angela Beaman , Lagrace Barnes, Jackie Hampton, Geraldine Watts, Catherine James and Sara Williams.

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY HAYES, DECEASED

CAUSE NO.: P2021-0004

RULE 81 SUMMONS

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMONS:

Any and all persons or parties who are interested in or claim any right, title or interest as heirs-at-law of Mary Hayes, deceased, including, but not limited to, the unknown heirs-at-law of Mary Hayes, if they be living and not to be found therein after diligent search and inquiry and whose places of residence, post office, and street and house addresses are unknown after diligent street search and inquiry to ascertain the same, and if dead, their unknown devisees, executors administrators or legal representatives are not to be found after diligent search and inquiry, and whose places of residence, post offices, and street and house addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry to ascertain the same. You have been made Defendants in the lawsuit filed in the Court by Betty Smith to establish the heirs-at-law of Mary Hayes, deceased.

IF TO BE FOUND IN THIS COUNTY, to be and appear before the Honorable Tiffany Grove, of the Chancery Court of Hinds County, at the Hinds County Chancery Courthouse in Jackson, Mississippi, on the 4th day of December, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., next, then and there to show cause, if any they can why Betty Smith, Alice Byas, Clifton Miller, Delilah Gilmore, and Norma Stover should not be declared the only heirs-at-law of Mary Hayes, deceased, according to law and further to do and suffer such things as shall be considered and ordered by the Court aforesaid in the premises, and have then and there this, with an endorsement thereon to the manner in which

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action on the date and time as set forth herein above before the Honorable Tiffany Grove. in Jackson, Mississippi; and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition. You are not required to file answer or other pleadings, but you may do so if you desire.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court at Hinds County. Mississippi. this the



EDDIE JEAN CARR, CLERK HINDS COUNTY CHANCERY COURT

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PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS PURCHASE DESIGNATED PROPERTIES OWNED BY THE JACKSON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The Jackson Redevelopment Authority (the "Authority" or "JRA") is seeking proposals from qualified professional firms for the purchase all or part of certain Designated Properties Owned by the Jackson Redevelopment Authority (herein individually and collectively called the "Property" as referred to in Exhibit A. Submissions will be received by the Jackson Redevelopment Authority of the City of Jackson, Mississippi (the "Authority"), via the online portal at www.jrams org until 5:00 o'clock P.M., May 24, 2023.

All proposals shall be in accordance with the requirements of the Requestfor Proposals ("RFP"), copies of which are available for review, download at www. jrams.org. Consistent with requirements stated therein, proposals submitted in response to the RFP shall be made on or before 5:00 o'clock P.M., May 24,2023.

Thereafter, Notice of Request for Proposals by the Authority to purchase all or part of designated properties shall be monthly until all properties are sold, with the last Submission Deadline being 5:00 p.m. on December 20,2023.Interested parties may submit proposals to the Authority for the land pursuant to RFP issued April27, 2023, and/or any subsequent Notice of Publication.

RFP DATED: April 27,2023

4/27/23, 5/25/23, 06/22/23, 07/27/23, 08/24/23, 09/28/23, 10/26/23, 11/23/23,

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GEORGE ADAMS

LATANGLIA ADAMS.

NO 20-PR-433 O/3

ADMINISTRATRIX AMENDED NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 14th day of October, 2020 by the Chancery Court

of Hinds County, MS to the undersigned Administratrix of the Estate of George Adams, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate to present each claim to the Clerk of the Court for probate and registration according to law before ninety (90) days from the first date of publication of this notice has passed or such claim shall be forever barred.

> /s/ LaTanglia Adams LaTanglia Adams Administrator of the Estate of George Adams

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A USE PERMIT

ZONING CASE NO. 4231

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 Earnest Williams has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting an Use Permit to allow for a general restaurant within a C80-C2 (Limited) Commercial Subdistrict on property located at 1651 University Blvd - Suite B. (Parcel 166-1) in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

Being situated in the SW 1/4 of Section 9, T5N, RI E, City of Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows:

Commence at the intersection of the West right of way line of Old U. S. Highway No. 51 (now Terry Road) with the South line of Lot 49 of Mississippi Addition, a subdivision, the map or plat of which is recorded in Plat Book 4 at page 90 of the Chancery records of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi, said intersection being the point of beginning for the parcel herein described; thence run 44.338 feet along the arc of a 6615.93 foot radius curve to the right in the said West right of way line, said arc having a 44.338 foot chord which bears S 400 39'05" W, thence S 400 56' 25" W for a distance of 11.84' along the West right of way line; thence N 60 0 48' 35" W for a distance of 3575 ' along the said West right of way line; thence S 400 56' 25" W for a distance of 225.10' along the said West right of way line; thence leave said West right of way line and run N 670 03' 35" W for a distance of 335.45' to an iron pin which marks the Southwest corner of the T. R. Evans property as described in Deed Book 699 at page 366 of the said Chancery Clerk Records of Hinds County; thence N 18 0 34' 21" E for a distance of 351.885' to the South right of way line of U.S. Highway No. 80; thence S 820 46' 00" E for a distance of 349.515' along the said South right of way line of U.S. Highway No. 80; thence run 36.243 feet along the arc of a 3173.50 foot radius curve to the left, said arc having a 36.43 foot chord which bears S 290 23' 58" W; thence S 290 04' 20" W for a distance of 78.70'; thence S 600 55' 40" E for a distance of 60.0' along the Westerly extension of the South right of way line of Somme Street; thence S 290 04' 20" W for a distance of 50.0' along the West line of the said Mississippi Addition to the Southwest corner of the said Lot 49 of Mississippi Addition: thence S 600 55' 40" F for a distance of 106.81' along the said South line of Lot 49 to the point of beginning, containing 3,488 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, November 15, 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-TY AND WELFARE, THE PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS AND THE APPLI-CANTS HAVE THE OPTION TO ATTEND THE MEETING VIA TELECON-FERENCE/VIDEO OR IN PERSON WITH REGARDS TO THE WEARING OF MASKS AND THE SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIREMENTS. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY ATTEND VIA TELECONFERENCE/VIDEO BY EMAILING EAINSWORTH@CITY.JACKSON.MS.US TO REGISTER PRIOR TO NO-VEMBER 8, 2023.

WITNESS my signature this 24th day of October 2023.

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

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A REZONING

ZONING CASE NO. 4233

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 Clifton Burns has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Rezoning from from C3 (General) Commercial District to CMU-1 (Community) Mixed-Use District to allow for the adaptive reuse of the property located on 3243 Medgar Evers Blvd. (Parcel 409-4) in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

BEG SW COR LOT 16BLK A SHADY OAKS SUBD NE ALONG LOTS 16 & 3.200. 16 FT TO DELTA DR NW 239.6. FT SW 128.2 FT TO WHITFIELD MILLRD SE 233.5 TO POB PT SW 1/4 NW 1/4 SEC 28 T6N RIE PT LOTS 1 2 3 16 & 17 BLK A SHADY OAKS SUBD

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, November 15, 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 24th day of October 2023.

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

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Professional Paralegal Legal Advocate James Scott 769-990-3874

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A REZONING

ZONING CASE NO. 4232

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 Robinson Industries, Inc. has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Rezoning from I-1 (Light) Industrial District to R-5 (Multi-family) Residential District to allow for a multifamily residential development for the property located on 5420 Lynch St. Ext. (Parcel 825-483) in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

TRACT I: A parcel of land situated in the West half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 2, Township 5 North, Range 1 West and also part of Lot 15, Westhaven Subdivision according to a map or plat on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County, Mississippi at Jackson, in plat Book B at Page 71, and being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the Southeast Corner of Lot 10, Westside Industrial Heights according to a map or plat on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi in Plat Book 18 at Page 19 and from said point run Easterly along the North line of Lynch Street and on the Easterly extension of the South line of said Westside Industrial Heights, for a distance of 161.68 feet to the East line of Peach Place; continue thence Easterly along the North line of Lynch Street on an extension of the last mentioned course, for a distance of 100 feet; turn thence to the right through and angle of 00 degrees 37 minutes and continue Easterly along the North line of Lynch Street, parallel with the 30 feet North of the centerline thereof, for the distance of 100 feet: turn thence to the right through an angle of 2 degrees 03 minutes and continue Easterly along the North line of Lynch Street; 30 feet North of and parallel with the centerline thereof, for a distance of 100 feet; turn thence to the left through and angle of 80 degrees 54 minutes and run Northerly and parallel with the East line of Peach Place for a distance of 200 feet; turn thence to the left through an angle of 99 degrees 29 minutes and run Westerly and parallel with the North line of Lynch Street for a distance of 100 feet; turn thence to the left through an angle of 80 degrees 31 minutes and run Southerly 200 feet to the point of beginning.

TRACT II: A parcel situated in the West Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 2, Township 5 North, Range 1 West, Hinds County, Mississippi, and also a part of Lot 15 Westhaven Subdivision according to a map or plat on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi, in Plat Book B at Page 71 and being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the Southeast Comer of Lot 10 Westside Industrial Heights according to a map or plat on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi, in Plat Book 18 at Page 19, and from said point run Easterly along the North line of Lynch Street and on the Easterly extension of the South line of said Westside Industrial Heights for the distance of 161.68 feet to the East line of Peach Place; continue thence Easterly along the North line of Lynch Street on an extension of the last mentioned course, for a distance of 10 feet; turn thence to the right through and angle of 00 degrees 37 minutes and continue Easterly along the North line of Lynch Street, parallel with and 30 feet North of the centerline thereof, for a distance of 100 feet; turn thence to the right through an angle of 2 degrees 03 minutes and continue Easterly along the North line of lynch Street, 30 feet North of an parallel with the centerline thereof for a distance of 100 feet; turn thence to the right through an angle of 00 degrees 23 minutes and run Easterly along the North line of Lynch Street, 30 feet North of and parallel with the centerline thereof, fort a distance of 100 feet to the point of beginning, thence turn right through an angel of 00 degrees 33 minutes and run Easterly 100.0 feet; turn thence to the left through an angle of 80 degrees 54 minutes and run Northerly for a distance of 400 feet; turn thence to the left through an angle of 99 degrees 29 minutes and run Westerly for a distance of 200 feet, turn thence to the left through an angle of 80 degrees 31 minutes and run Southerly 200 feet; thence left 99 degrees 29 minutes and run Easterly 100.0 feet; thence turn right 99 degrees 29 minutes and run Southerly 200.0 feet to the point of beginning.

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, November 15, 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 24th day of October 2023.

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

10/26/23, 11/9/23

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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE JACKSON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY WILL RECEIVE PROPOS-ALS UNTIL 5:00 O'CLOCK P.M., JANUARY 31, 2023, FOR SPACE AVAILABLE TO BE LEASED IN THE MUNICIPAL PARKING FACILITY NO. 2

Proposals to lease space in the Municipal Parking Facility No. 2 will be received

by the Jackson Redevelopment Authority (the "Authority") via the online portal only at www.jrams.org, until 5:00 o'clock P.M., January 31, 2023, for any space available to be leased in the Municipal Parking Facility No. 2 (the "Facility").

The Municipal Parking Facility No. 2 is located in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, on the south side of Capitol Street, between Congress and President Streets, and space available for lease is located on the first floor of the Facility.

All proposals shall be in accordance with all of the requirements of the Request for Proposals, copies of which are available for review via the online portal only at www.jrams.org. Proposals shall be made by those interested on or before 5:00 o'clock P.M., January 31, 2023.

Thereafter, Notice of Request for Proposals by the Authority to lease any remaining available space in the Municipal Parking Facility No. 2 shall be published monthly until all space in the Facility is leased, with the last Submission Deadline being 5:00 p.m. on December 29, 2023. Interested parties may submit proposals to the Authority for any unleased available space pursuant to RFP issued and dated December 29, 2022, or subsequently.

Such further information as is available regarding lease space in the Municipal Parking Facility No. 2 may be obtained via the online portal only at www.jrams.org.

12/29/2022, 1/26/2023, 2/23/2023, 3/30/2023, 4/27/23, 5/25/23, 06/29/23, 07/27/23, 08/24/23, 09/28/23, 10/26/23, 11/30/23

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A REZONING

ZONING CASE NO. 4234

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 Community Animal Rescue & Adoption has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Rezoning from C-2 (Limited) Commercial District to C-3 (General) Commercial District to allow for a veterinarian clinic and kennels for the property located on Parcel 835-46 on Highway 18 in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND LYING AND BEING SITUATED IN SOUTH-WEST QUARTER OF SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 15, TOWN-SHIP 5 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AND BE-ING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE CORNER COMMON TO SECTIONS 15, 16, 21 AND 22, TOWNSHIP 5 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 16 MINUTES EAST ALONG THE LINE BETWEEN SAID SECTIONS 15 AND 16 FOR A DISTANCE OF 76.1 FEET TO THE NORTH RIGHT-OFWAY OF NEW HIGHWAY 18; THENCE SOUTH 88 DEGREEES 58 MINUTES EAST ALONG THE NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY OF NEW HIGHWAY 18 A DISTANCE OF 676.8 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEINNING OF THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE NORTH 01 DEGREE 07 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST ALONG AN OLD FENCE LINE, 1202.25 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 40 SECONDS EAST ALONG AN OLD FENCE LINE, 664.9 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREE 44 MINUTES 40 SECONDS WEST, 740.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 58 MINUTES WEST, 190.0 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREE 44 MINUTES 40 SECONDS WEST, 470.0 FEET TO THE AFOREMENTIONED NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY OF NEW HIGHWAY 18; THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 58 MINUTES WEST ALONG NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY OF NEW HIGHWAY 18 FOR A DISTANCE OF 462.7 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING CONTAINING 16.18 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, November 15, 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 23rd day of October 2023.

Zoning Administrator City of Jackson, Mississippi

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth

10/26/23, 11/9/23

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY HAYES, DECEASED

CAUSE NO.: P2021-0004

RULE 4 SUMMONS

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMONS:

Any and all persons or parties who are interested in or claim any right, title or interest as a wrongful death beneficiary of Mary Hayes, deceased, including, but not limited to, the unknown wrongful death beneficiaries of Mary Hayes, if they be living and not to be found therein after diligent search and inquiry and whose places of residence, post office, and street and house addresses are unknown after diligent street search and inquiry to ascertain the same, and if dead, their unknown descendants, devisees, executors, administrators or legal representatives are not to be found after diligent search and inquiry, and whose places of residence, post offices, and street and house addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry to ascertain the same. You have been made Defendants in the lawsuit filed in the Court by Betty Smith to establish the wrongful death beneficiaries of Mary Hayes, deceased. The only Respondents other than you are Betty Smith. Alice Byas. Clifton Miller. Delilah Gilmore. and Norma Stover.

You are required to mail or hand-deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to R. Paul Williams. III. Attorney for Petitioner, whose post office address is Post Office Box 23785, Jackson, Mississippi 39225, and whose street address is 640 North State Street. Jackson. Mississippi 39202.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 23rd DAY OF OCTOBER, 2023, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED. A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court at Hinds County. Mississippi. this the

day of October, 2023.



EDDIE JEAN CARR. CHANCERY CLERK HINDS COUNTY CHANCERY COURT

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10/19/23, 10/26/23, 11/2/2023

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OCTOBER 26 - NOVEMBER 1, 2023

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE JACKSON HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE JACKSON HISTORIC PRESERVA-TION COMMISSION (JHPC) WILL HOLD ITS MONTHLY MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023 AT 12:00 NOON IN THE ANDREW JACKSON CONFERENCE ROOM (RM. 105) OF THE WAR-REN HOOD BUILDING, 200 SOUTH PRESIDENT STREET, JACKSON, MIS-

I. APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

Old Business A. CASE NO. HPLD-23-2

LOCATION: 4920 ROBINSON RD (PARCEL 832-130)

HISTORIC DISTRICT: N/A APPLICANT: REV. KARL TAYLOR

REQUEST: TO HAVE 4920 ROBINSON RD DESIGNATED AS A LOCAL HIS-TORIC LANDMARK.

New Business A. CASE NO. HPNC-23-12

LOCATION: 1442 GREYMONT ST. (PARCEL 15-143-4)

HISTORIC DISTRICT: BELHAVEN APPLICANT: SHARON POLLARD REQUEST: TO REPLACE SHAKE STYLE METAL ROOFING WITH CORRU-GATED METAL ROOF.

B. CASE NO. HPNC-23-16 LOCATION: 904 PINEHURST PL. (PARCEL 15-22)

HISTORIC DISTRICT: BELHAVEN APPLICANT: TOMMY DUNLAP **REQUEST:**

1. REPAIR WOOD FRAMED WINDOWS WITH MATCHING WOOD MATERI-ALS AND REPLACE BROKEN GLASS WITH CLEAR GLASS. 2. REPAIR ROTTED OVERHANG AND GABLE TRIM WITH LIKE MATERI-

3. REQUEST TO REMOVE TWO FRONT SCREEN DOORS AND BURGLAR BARS AROUND HOME

4. PAINT FRONT PORCH RAILS BLACK.

5. REPAIR REAR ENTRY DOOR OR REPLACE WITH MATCHING WOOD

Pre-existing rear addition- Request to bring into compliance with modifications 1. REMOVE EXISTING FLAT ROOF AND BUILD A 6 AND 12-INCH PITCH (SAME PITCH AS THE MAIN ROOF) HIP ROOF ON ADDITION AND TIE INTO MAIN ROOF.

2. REPLACE TRIM OVERHANG WITH A WOOD BOX CORNICE. 3. USE EXISTING WOOD SIDING ON ADDITION WITH 5" LAP EXPOSURE

OR OPTION TO USE HARDIE PLANK SIDING WITH 7" LAP EXPOSURE 4. REMOVE ALUMINUM WINDOW ON REAR AND SPLICE IN MATCHING WOOD SIDING.

5. REPLACE EXISTING DOOR WITH A WOOD EXTERIOR DOOR. DOOR WILL HAVE A 3 VERTICAL LITE TOP AND A PANEL BOTTOM. 6. INSTALL WOOD LATTICE PANELS ON BOTTOM OF SIDING TO THE

7. PAINT ADDITION SIDING A LIGHTER COLOR AS SHOWN ON THE PAINT SAMPLE.

C. CASE NO. HPNC-23-15

LOCATION: 1036 BELHAVEN ST. (PARCEL 11-66) HISTORIC DISTRICT: BELHAVEN APPLICANT: KARA THORNTON REQUEST: RE-ROOF AND CHANGE 3-TAB GRAY SHINGLES TO BLACK ARCHITECT SHINGLES.

D. CASE NO. HPNC-23-14 LOCATION: 1616 POPLAR BLVD. (PARCEL 15-112) HISTORIC DISTRICT: BELHAVEN APPLICANT: ANN WILLIAMS REQUEST:

1. REPLACE ROTTED DECKING WITH SAME MATERIAL (PRESSURE TREATED PINE).

2. EXTEND NORTHWESTERN SECTION (8'4") OF THE DECK TO MATCH THE CENTER STEP.

3. INSTALL BRACING SLATS TO PERGOLA ON DECK.

E. CASE NO. HPNC-23-17

LOCATION: 1315 OLIVE ST. (PARCEL 15-65-1) HISTORIC DISTRICT: BELHAVEN APPLICANT: PATRICK WALLACE REQUEST: RE-ROOF AND CHANGE 3-TAB HAZEL AND MULTI COLORED SHINGLES TO GRAY (WEATHERED WOOD) ARCHITECTURAL SHINGLES.

F. CASE NO. HPNC-23-9

LOCATION: 913 MADISON ST UNIT AC (PARCEL 21-49)

APPLICANT: TONY HES-HISTORIC DISTRICT: BELHAVEN HEIGHTS REQUEST

REMOVE AND REPLACE ALL ROTTED WOOD, ASPHALT SHIN-**GLES**

REPLACE DAMAGED ROOFING SECTIONS. 2 REBUILD THE DORMER ADDING NEW DECKING, FELT, FLASH-

ING. HARDIE BOARD.

PRIME & PAINT THE DORMER. 4.

INSTALL NEW OLD ENGLISH PEWTER ASPHALT SHINGLES

CASE NO. HPNC-23-21 LOCATION: 300 FARISH ST. (PARCEL 83-3-1)

HISTORIC DISTRICT: FARISH ST APPLICANT: ADERSON ERVIN REQUEST: CONSTRUCT NEW TWO STORY SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE AS A PERSON HOME ON PARCEL NUMBER 83-3-1. THE NEW RESIDENCE WITH MATCH THE AESTHETIC OF THE BUILDING LOCATED ON 83-3 WITH BRICK AS THE PRIMARY BUILDING MATERIAL FOR THE EXTERIOR ELEVATIONS, ARCH WINDOWS ON THE SECOND FLOOR, AND A LOW SLOPED ROOF TIED TO AN INTERNAL DRAINAGE SYSTEM.

OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION **ADJOURNMENT**

10/26/23, 11/2/23

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CHUNG JOHNNY LEE

NO. 19-PR-566

PAT DEWET **EXECUTRIX** NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 24th day of May, 2021 by the Chancery Court of Hinds County, MS to the undersigned executrix of the Estate of Chung Johnny Lee, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate to present each claim to the Clerk of the Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice or such claim shall be forever barred.

> /s/ Pat DeWet Pat DeWet Executrix of the Estate of Chung Johnny Lee

Sharon Henderson, Attorney 1003 Hallmark Dr. Jackson, MS 39206 Tel.601-573-7756 Fax 601-510-1980 Sharonhenderson98@gmail.com

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REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

JACKSON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' LEGAL SERVICES

JMAA PROJECT NUMBER 001-24 Date of Notice: October 25, 2023

The Jackson Municipal Airport Authority is requesting Statement of Qualifications to provide legal and related services to JMAA in connection with the Jackson Municipal Airport Authority Board of Commissioners' Legal Services at JMAA Project No. 001-24 at JAN.

Scope of Work:

The Services to be provided include but are not limited to the following: Representation for all Board Legal Matters

Professional Management of Outside Legal Services on **Board Related Matters**

Professional Legal Advice

All services will be performed as needed and directed by the JMAA Board and The Deadline for Questions is November 8, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. Central Stan-

dard Time (CST). JMAA will respond to any questions in writing via Addendum

No. 1 on November 10, 2023. JMAA will receive sealed electronic or printed submissions only. All submissions of Statement of Qualifications to perform the Services will be accepted until Friday, November 17, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. Central Standard Time (CST). RFQ shall be accepted electronically, by mail, or by hand delivery as follows: Electronically imaabids.com

By mail or hand delivery JMAA's Administrative Office, Suite 300 Main Terminal Building Jackson-Medgar Wiley Evers International Airport 100 International Drive, Jackson, Mississippi 39208

Interested persons may obtain a copy of the Information for Respondents from JMAA via JMAA's website: jmaabids.com.

10/26/23, 11/2/2023

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE **ESTATE MYRA MAE REIN**

NO. P 2022-188

MARK REIN **ADMINISTRATOR** NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 30th day of March, 2023 by the Chancery Court of Hinds County to the undersigned Administrator of the Estate of Myra Mae Rein, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate to present each claim to the Clerk of the Court for probate and registration according to law before ninety (90) days from the first date of publication of this notice has passed or such claim shall be forever barred.

> /s/ Mark Rein Mark Rein Administrator of the Estate of Myra Mae Rein.

Sharon Henderson, Attorney 1003 Hallmark Dr. Jackson, MS 39206 Fax 601-510-1980 Sharonhenderson98@gmail.com

10/26/23, 11/2/2023, 11/9/2023

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Advertisement for RFQ

RFQ 2023-03 Title Energy Savings Performance Contracting Services

Electronic RFQ proposals for the above RFQ 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), November 02, 2023 at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any and all RFQs, to waive informalities, and to withhold the acceptance of any RFQ if approved for forty-five calendar days from the date RFQs are opened.

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

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

TO THE

CITY OF JACKSON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND ZONING ORDINANCE

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in anywise affected thereby, that the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, will be conducting a public hearing on proposed amendments to the City of Jackson Comprehensive Plan as adopted on March 2, 2004 and the City of Jackson Official Zoning Ordinance as adopted on May 29, 1974 and subsequently amended.

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

The said amendments will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, November 15, 2023 at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

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WITNESS my signature this the 23RD day of October 2023.

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

10/26/23, 11/9/23

LEGAL

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BESSIE JACKSON, DECEASED

CAUSE NO.: 21-0127

RULE 4 SUMMONS

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMONS:

Any and all persons or parties who are interested in or claim any right, title or interest as a wrongful death beneficiary of Bessie Jackson, deceased, including, but not limited to, the unknown wrongful death beneficiaries of Bessie Jackson, if they be living and not to be found therein after diligent search and inquiry and whose places of residence, post office, and street and house addresses are unknown after diligent street search and inquiry to ascertain the same, and if dead, their unknown descendants, devisees, executors, administrators or legal representatives are not to be found after diligent search and inquiry, and whose places of residence, post offices, and street and house addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry to ascertain the same. You have been made Defendants in the lawsuit filed in the Court by Kattie Partee to establish the wrongful death beneficiaries of Bessie Jackson, deceased. The only Respondents other than you are Kattie Partee, Carter Coffey, Charlie Coffey, James Coffey, Catherine Newman, Fred Neal, Louise Weary, Sherry Neal, Richard Harris, Jr., Belinda Thomas, Greater Oliver, Willie Neal, Sr., and Ellis Neal

You are required to mail or hand-deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to R. Paul Williams, III. Attorney for Petitioner, whose post office address is Post Office Box 23785, Jackson, Mississippi 39225, and whose street address is 640 North State Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39202

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 23rd DAY OF OCTOBER, 2023, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court at Hinds County, Mississippi, this the 16 day of October, 2023



EDDIE JEAN CARR. CHANCERY CLERK HINDS COUNTY CHANCERY COURT

10/19/23, 10/26/23, 11/2/2023

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

CAUSE NO.: 21-0127

RULE 81 SUMMONS

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMONS:

Any and all persons or parties who are interested in or claim any right, title or interest as heirs-at-law of Bessie Jackson, deceased, including, but not limited to, the unknown heirs-at-law of Bessie Jackson, if they be living and not to be found therein after diligent search and inquiry and whose places of residence, post office, and street and house addresses are unknown after diligent street search and inquiry to ascertain the same, and if dead, their unknown devisees executors, administrators or legal representatives are not to be found after diligent search and inquiry, and whose places of residence, post offices, and street and house addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry to ascertain the same. You have been made Defendants in the lawsuit filed in the Court by Kattie Partee to establish the heirs-at-law of Bessie Jackson, deceased

IF TO BE FOUND IN THIS COUNTY, to be and appear before the Honorable Tiffany Grove, of the Chancery Court of Hinds County, at the Hinds County Chancery Courthouse in Jackson, Mississippi, on the 4th day of December, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., next, then and there to show cause, if any they can why Kattie Partee, Carter Coffey, Charlie Coffey, James Coffey, Catherine Newman, Fred Neal, Louise Weary, Sherry Neal, Richard Harris, Jr., Belinda Thomas, Greater Oliver, Willie Neal, Sr., and Ellis Neal should not be declared the only heirs-at-law of Bessie Jackson, deceased, according to law, and further to do and suffer such things as shall be considered and ordered by the Court aforesaid in the premises, and have then and there this, with an endorsement thereon to the manner in which you shall have served

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action on the date and time as set forth herein above before the Honorable Tiffany Grove. in Jackson, Mississippi; and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition. You are not required to file answer or other pleadings, but you may do so if you desire

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court at Hinds County. Mississippi. this the



EDDIE JEAN CARR, CLERK

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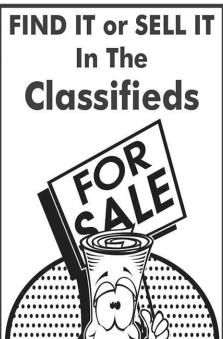
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Can you handle the truth?

By Shewanda Riley



you do if tellsomeone the truth hurt them? Would you still tell

find out on their own? If you'd asked me that several years ago, I'd say without hesitation, "Tell it." However, having been faced with situations where telling the truth could potentially hurt someone, I've realized that God wants us to appreciate not just the value of truth but the importance of how to handle truth.

I still believe that truth is always the best response. However, the challenge becomes when and how to speak the truth. In one past situation, I struggled telling a friend about some inappropriate things that were said to

me by her then boyfriend.

When I went to a few friends for advice on whether to tell her, I got an entire range of responses. Some told me that I shouldn't say anything because women know their men and she probably already knew that he's unfaithful. Others said that I should tell her as soon as possible because he could tell her that I tried to make a move on him. What surprised me most was that the women who had been victims of infidelity were the most passionate about me not telling her at all and letting her find out on her own.

The one man that I talked to about it encouraged me to use wisdom, weigh the value of the friendship and then decide if it was worth possibly damaging or even losing it.

In the end, I told my friend; she said that she appreciated my honesty and shared that she was already planning on

breaking up with him. What I told her only confirmed that she was making the right decision. To this day, we are still good friends.

This scenario reminded me of the memorable scene from the movie "A Few Good Men." Jack Nicholson played rigid Naval officer Col. Nathan R. Jessep who was aggressively questioned by a military prosecutor, played by Tom Cruise. As he was pressed for more details, Nicholson's character blurted out, "You can't handle the truth!" More than just a memorable line from a movie, these words also could apply to how and when (if at all) to tell others painful truths.

Sometimes because we decide they can't handle the truth, we say nothing. However, Ephesians chapter 4:15 points out that "speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ." Often, it's not the truth that hurts...it's how it's presented that makes all the difference.

What do you do when you aren't the one being told the truth but you are the one telling the truth? Can you still handle the truth with grace and wisdom?

Like a piece of coal that turns into a diamond over time, the truth may look ugly initially but may prove priceless in the end.

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Enduring temptation

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



Having God in the soul brings sweet peace! That is something the world cannot obtain. Christian friend, tempta-

tions and trials may seem grievous for the moment, but they are working a greater work in your life, something that will benefit you and others. We can be perfect and entire, wanting nothing, enjoying sweet soul rest and satisfaction. James went on to say in verse 12 of our chapter 1, "Blessed is the man that endureth temptation." When God says something is blessed, you can count it so.

The world holds various events and attractions, and they post signs here and there to advertise them. They try to make the event appear as though that is where the good times are, but many times if you attend one of those attractions, you find that it is not as great as when it was promoted. They try to make it seem as though that is the place to be, but often it is a letdown when you get there. I will tell you something, God will not let you down. We must endure the temptations that we go through. If it were left up to us, we would avoid every trial that comes our way. However, we do not have that ability.

James wrote in James 4:7, "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you." Your trials

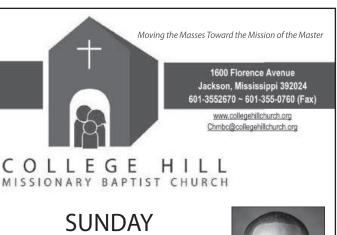
may not end immediately, but there are some things that you can do. If you will submit yourself to God and resist the devil, then, the devil will flee from you. Both parts of the equation are important. You must do those two things together. In 1 Peter 2:23, Peter, talking about Jesus penned, "who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously."

When you are going through a hard place in your life, you need to keep yourself closely committed to God, who judges righteously. If you do not, the enemy will start working in an even greater way against you. You need to resist the devil, submit yourself to God, and commit yourself to Him. God will take you through.

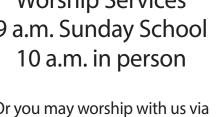
Temptation is a time of testing and endurance. What causes us to endure hard places? It is love that holds us. First Corinthians, chapter 13, contains a wonderful lesson on charity. Verses 7-8 declare that charity, "Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Charity never faileth."

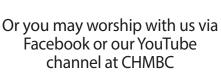
It is the love that we have for God that causes us to endure the trials and the temptations. Enduring temptation is proof that one loves God. Love for God will cause us to endure tempta-

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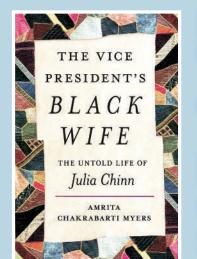


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BOOK REVIEW:

THE VICE PRESIDENT'S BLACK WIFE: THE UNTOLD LIFE OF JULIA CHINN

BY AMRITA CHAKRABARTI MYERS C.2023, THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA PRESS \$30.00 • 296 PAGES

By Terri Schlichenmeyer Columnist

The deed to the house will be yours, free and clear, very soon. Once the mortgage is paid off, yep, the house and the land are

Follow the paperwork, and there are many things you can outright own: a bike, a truck, a dog or cat, but unlike the story you'll find in "The Vice President's Black Wife" by Amrita Chakrabarti Myers, that doesn't extend to a spouse.

In the late 18th century, when America was merely a teenager,

"Kentucky was the frontier," says Myers, with great stands of trees between "vast swath[s] of rich, fertile land." Robert Johnson was a surveyor in that area, and he liked what he saw. He and his wife arranged to buy several thousand acres of the best farmland around.

This made Johnson a wealthy man and, by extension, his oldest son would never want for a thing. And so when young Richard, born in 1780, was all grown up but still unmarried, his parents gave him a plantation and a hundred slaves to run it. One of them was Julia Chinn.
Fourteen years old, Julia was pretty, smart and capable; in fact, Richard's mother chose her to run his house while he was away in Washington, particularly because of her intelligence and her management abilities.

It didn't take long for Richard to notice Julia, or for him bed her, then wed her.

Myers hints that spite made Richard do it, or that he was flaunting social mores. It surely wasn't illegal to sexually assault one's female slaves; in

Kentucky, it wasn't illegal to marry someone of another race, either.

Was there affection in the marriage or, as Myers suggests, was it a business transaction, with Julia trading her freedom for their daughters' future?

We may never know. Richard didn't sell Julia and he never freed her, though his girls received manumission. But after his service as Vice President of the U.S. and his death at a ripe old age, his brothers conspired to erase the family he loved...

Sometimes uneven, some-

times repetitive, but at the same time, so very interesting, "The Vice President's Black Wife" proves that there are a lot of things about history left to learn.

Starting with Julia's mother, author Amrita Chakrabarti Myers begins in a commonplace place – the lives of enslaved women and children – but she departs from the norm by telling tales with a large dash of feminism. In many ways, as she shows, women both white and enslaved, often had much more power than history books

would like us to believe and that, surprisingly, extended to Julia Chinn. It's truly eye-opening

Still, this book is chilling in the what-ifs – perhaps even more so because Julia was well aware of them and so are readers. These possibilities will leave you shaken with the twist in the story at the end of the book, which will send you racing back to re-read the preface. Or you might just re-read it all because "The Vice President's Black Wife" is that kind of book, indeed.



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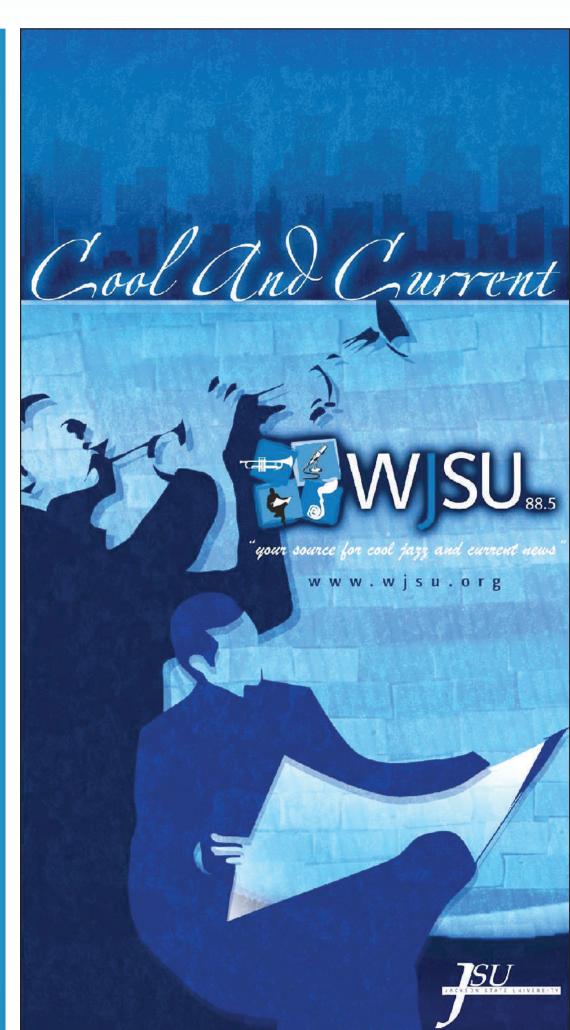
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USM Graduate from Clinton Makes Performance Debut with PelSquad

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Madison Johnson, a Clinton native, is living her dream of becoming a professional dancer with the renowned New Orleans PelSquad, the official dance team of the NBA's New Orleans Pelicans.

In May 2023, she earned her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Dance Education from the University of Southern Mississippi. During her time in college, Madison excelled in various roles, including serving as a residential assistant and holding a position on the executive board of the student dance organization. She also achieved the honor of being crowned the 2023 USM Miss Black and Old Gold. In addition, Madison became a valued member of the Mighty Mu Nu Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Incorporated, where she assumed the role of the 2022-2023 step team & performances coordinator.

In the summer of 2023, Madison contributed her skills to the USA International Ballet Competition of Jackson as the Dance School Administrative Assistant, further solidifying her commitment to the world of

Madison is a member of Clinton High School's Class of 2019 where she served on the student council, cheer team, and the Attache Show Choir. She is beloved by her parents, Sherwin and Vera Johnson and brother, William.



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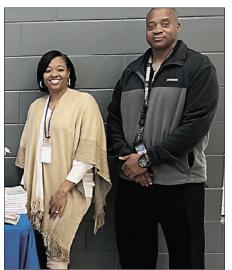
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Jackson State gets back on the winning track against Valley

By Tim Ward Sports Writer

Jackson State traveled to Itta Bena to play Mississippi Valley State last Saturday. JSU was looking to get back to their winning ways and they accomplished their goal. Jackson State defeated Valley 21 to 6 in Rice-Totten Stadium. Jacobian Morgan started at quarterback for JSU replacing Jason Brown. Morgan played at Canton High School. He signed with Syracuse University.

Head coach TC Tayor recruited Morgan, but ultimately lost out to Syracuse. "I went over and watched him play a couple of times," Taylor said. "Great family, great young man, but Syracuse came in and kind of took him from me. We always stayed in touch with the family and everything, so things weren't going as well for him up there, so he decided to come back." Jacobian Morgan is a redshirt junior.

In his first start for JSU, Morgan completed 20 of 36 passes for 141 yards with 1 touchdown. He also ran 14 times for 107 yards and 1 touchdown.

Morgan's running ability makes him special. His offensive coordinator, Maurice Harris said, "Morgan makes you play 11-on-11 football," Harris said. 'You just can't put that safety in the middle of the field and let him roam around. You have to put that safety down and that is what he (Morgan) does. Yes, we do call the quarterback run game a little bit different when Morgan is in there."

For his play Saturday, Morgan was named SWAC newcomer of the week. Taylor stated that Morgan will start again this week when the team travels to Arkansas Pine Bluff.

One thing that Morgan has to shore up is protecting the football. He fumbled 3 times Saturday. One of those fumbles was just as he was heading to the end zone. JSU, as a team, fumbled 6 times, losing 3 of them. It's the second week in a row where fumbling has been an issue. Expect the coaches to address that heavily this week at practice.

The Darkside Defense looked like the old defense from last season. Flying all over the place and creating havoc for opposing offenses. JSU forced 3 interceptions and recorded 7 quarterback sacks. B.J. Washington caught one and John Huggins caught the other two. Huggins also had 6 tackles for the game. Valley Quarterback Ty'Jarian Williams was 16 of 27 passes for 155 yards with 3 interceptions. JSU was holding on to a shutout victory until the final 23 seconds. Valley's DePhabian Fant scored on a 52 yard touchdown run.

When asked about not being able to hold onto the shutout. "We've got to learn how to close out games," said coach T.C. Taylor. "We're still growing as a football team. But we'll take it and grow from it and get ready for next week."

Jackson State improves to 5-3 overall and 3-2 in the SWAC. The loss dropped Valley to 1-6 overall and 1-3 in the SWAC.

Jackson State will travel to Arkansas Pine Bluff this weekend. Pine Bluff is 1-6 overall and 0-4 in the SWAC. They lost 31 to 7 to Alcorn last Saturday. Kickoff is set for 2 p.m. and will be shown on



BJ Washington caught 1 interception

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Jacobian Morgan was named SWAC Newcomer of the Week PHOTO BY TIM WARD



John Huggins recorded 2 interceptions

PHOTO BY KEVIN ROBINSON



Jacobian Morgan runs past 2 defenders

PHOTO BY KEVIN ROBINSON



Running back Desmond Moultrie rushes for a few yards

Alcorn handles Arkansas Pine Bluff

By Tim Ward Sports Writer

Alcorn State won this past Saturday 31 to 7 over Arkansas Pine Bluff. Quarterback Aaron Allen completed 14 of 26 passes for 219 yards with two touchdowns; he also ran 5 times for 37 yards and a touchdown. Runningback Jarveon Howard carried the ball 14 times for 155 yards and 1 touchdown. Anthony Williams Jr lead the braves in receiving, catching 3 passes for 65 yards.

Quarterback Aaron Allen was named Offensive Player of the Week and his teammate Malachi Bailey was named Defensive Player of the week.

Malachi Bailey recorded 4 tackles, one sack, forced a fumble and had one pass breakup. He was everywhere early and often for the Braves defense.

Next up for Alcorn is Mississippi Valley State. The Braves will host the Delta Devils in Lorman Saturday with a 2 p.m. kickoff. Alcorn is currently 4-3 overall and 3-1 in the SWAC. Valley is 1-6 overall and 1-3 in

the SWAC.



Quarterback Aaron Allen named SWAC Offensive Player of the Week



Malachi Bailey named SWAC Defensive Player of the Week

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