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Christmas Tree Lighting in Downtown Iuka Tonight

The first annual Christmas Tree Lighting will take place in downtown Iuka tonight, Thursday, December 2nd at 6:30 p.m. at Jaybird Park.

This new Christmas tradition has come to life through a group effort of city officials, local businesses and a special invitation from citizens of Iuka. Dress warmly and join us to get the Christmas Spirit at this special occasion.

The Iuka Christmas Parade has been scheduled for the night after the tree lighting on Friday, December 3rd at 6:30 p.m. Bring your family and enjoy this wonderful community event of floats, classic cars, marching bands and more.

Don't forget to make plans to head to Tishomingo on Saturday, December 4th at 6 p.m. to see the Christmas Parade. Also check out the Burnsville Christmas

mas parade on Monday, December 6th at 6 p.m.

Mark your holiday calendars and attend the Dickens Christmas, presented by IDEA. This holiday favorite will take place on Friday, December 17th at 6 p.m. in Downtown Iuka. If you like, come dressed in period clothing and enjoy this one-of-a-kind event.

Shooting Death Under Investigation

One Tishomingo County man is dead following a shooting which occurred on Friday, November 26th; the case is currently under investigation by law enforcement.

After a call to 911 Friday evening, Deputies of the Tishomingo County Sheriff's Department responded to a residence at 63 County Road 246 (Snowdown) in Iuka. The initial report indicated there was a fight and shooting which resulted in injuries.

According to Tishomingo County Sheriff John Daugherty, multiple witnesses stated that Michael Ray Thacker, age 60, got into an argument with a family member and retrieved a gun and began firing at the family member and another male who was present at the scene. The male returned fire, striking Michael Ray Thacker; 911 was then

called.

Tishomingo County Coroner, Mack Wilemon arrived at the scene at 9:20 p.m. Friday night.

He reported that the shooting occurred in the driveway leading to a shop on the property at the residence. Thacker was pronounced dead at the scene.

At this time an autopsy is being preformed and the case is under investigation by the County Sheriff's Office. The case will be presented to the next Tishomingo County Grand Jury for them to decide if charges are brought.



Michael Ray Thacker

Grand Marshalls Announced for Iuka Christmas Parade

The Iuka Christmas Parade Committee is proud to announce the selection of James (Kissum) and Martha Grisham as the 2021 Grand Marshalls of the annual event planned for Friday night, December 3rd.

Kissum, as home-folk know him, and Martha are natives of Iuka, living on Pearl Street. Martha is the daughter of the late John and Myrtle Gravette Stormont and Kissum is the son of Ernest and Mat Bullard Grisham. Both their families were well-known early settlers of the county.

Martha and Kissum have been married for 58 years and Christmas has always been a special part of their lives. Throughout the years the traditional cedar tree surrounded by family and friends was always lighted and decorated, as was attending the annual cantata at the Iuka Methodist Church just to hear McRae sing "O Holy Night". They are members of the Iuka Baptist Church and the Christian faith is very strong in their lives.

Kissum is a veteran of the U. S. Army and attended Mississippi State University. He worked as manager of the NAPA store in Iuka and was a natural at serving the public with his kind, easy-going disposition. When NAPA closed he began work at Bonds Company in Iuka until his retirement. At that time he entered politics and served as Iuka Alderman for 16 years.



Martha has always worked with the public, starting at the Tishomingo Shoe Company for a few years and then was one of the first two employees hired at the original Tishom-

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Grisham

McCay Named Grand Marshall of the Burnsville Christmas Parade

Recently Scotty McCay was named Citizen of the Year and Grand Marshall of the Burnsville Christmas Parade.

Scotty McCay grew up in Moulton, Alabama. He has been married to his wife Tina, for 30 years. They have two daughters and two grandchildren. The family moved to Burnsville in 2005 when Scotty was called to pastor at Chapel Hill church, where he still pastors today. Scotty has been a member of the Burnsville Chamber of Commerce since 2006 and has served as president for two terms. He has also volunteered with the Burnsville fire department since 2013.



Talking Taxes

With the 2021 tax bills going out soon, I wanted to take this opportunity to let everyone know that there will be some changes that affect the tax bills. This year, 2021, was our update year, in which our new index must be implemented. This index must be updated every 4 years, as required by the Mississippi Department of Revenue. The index is affected by new homes built within the county in 2020 and added to the tax roll for 2021. The index ensures that building cost is area specific to our county and not across other areas of the state. The index affects the square foot cost of homes, buildings and structures. We are required to do this every 4 years in order to stay in compliance with the regulations of the Mississippi Department of Revenue.

This is also the year new land schedules had to be put into place. During our 2017 audit, we were made aware that these new land schedules must be implemented by the 2021 update year. These land values are based on sales information that we have compiled, over the last 4 years, from sales letters sent in by the citizens of Tishomingo County. These sales letters are required by Mississippi Department of Revenue and help us to keep up with market value of property being sold within our county. Unfortunately, these changes and updates are required by the Mississippi Department of Revenue and are beyond our control. We hope that this will give you a better understanding of the reasons for these changes.

Thank You and God Bless!

David Wayne Crum

Tishomingo County Assessor



Photo By Jerry Charbausk

Row left to right: Jeff Bearden, Rylie Bearden and Kisha Bearden, back row left to right: Bart Stephenson, coach for Calhoun college. Reanna Bearden, Braxton Bearden, Coach Shaw, softball pitching coach for TC and Jerry Long, head coach for TC.

Bearden Signs with Calhoun College

Rylie Bearden has signed to play softball at Calhoun College in Huntsville AL. She is the daughter of Jeff and Kisha Bearden. Rylie is a left handed pitcher at TCHS. Coach Jerry Long stated that he is proud of Rylie and she will do well at Calhoun.



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Sun-air Products Cuts the Ribbon in Belmont

From left to right, Malcolm Kuykendall, Tishomingo County Development Foundation Board of Directors; Carroll Ivy; Joel Wells, Sun-air Products Inventory Manager; Robin Parrish, Inventory & Scheduling Assistant; Deborah Thorne, Sun-air HR Manager; Nancy Hall; Don Hall, CEO, Sun-air Products; Jeff Holt, Tishomingo County Board of Supervisors; Kaila Timmerman, American National Bank; Joey Hall, General Manager, Sun-air Products Belmont; Greg Collier, Tishomingo County Board of Supervisors; Mayor Buddy Wiltshire, Town of Belmont; Mike Montgomery, Spirit Bank and Tishomingo County Development Foundation Board of Directors; Steven McCallus, Sun-air Engineering Manager; Sun-air Purchasing & Costing Manager; Randy Dean, Sun-air Plant Manager, Belmont; and Kalim Wells, Tri-State Insurance.

Belmont, Mississippi

Local officials, friends, and family gathered to cut the ribbon for the expansion of Sun-air Products, Inc., Don Hall reported "this latest expansion is our fifth expansion over the past ten years. Our focus on exemplary service, innovation, engineering solutions, and quality metal fabrication is the basis of our growth and success in the industry."

Fourth District Supervisor, Jeff Holt, said "we are excited about Sun-air's latest expan-

sion and look forward to the company's continued growth and success in a competitive marketplace."

Mayor Buddy Wiltshire emphasized that "Sun-air Products is a locally owned company that offers living wage employment to residents of this area. Locally-owned companies employ local people, offer competitive wages and benefits and actively participate in the community."

Sun-air Products, Inc., began operations in 1978 making metal

fabricated components for the RV industry. Today the company has over 127,000 sq ft under roof at its 20-acre facility in Belmont, Mississippi. Sun-air produces a wide variety of metal fabricated parts and assemblies for the RV industry, ranging from simple one-piece parts to multiple-part motion assemblies. Sun-air also manufactures a variety of miscellaneous component parts for various other industries.

The Sun-air Cutting department has the latest in laser cutting tech-

nology equipment including fiber optic lasers with cutting power up to 12,000 watts. Other equipment includes metal cutting shears and metal cutting horizontal band saws.

The Parts department has 14 CNC press brakes with capacity from 6ft-50 tons to 16ft-250 tons plus various other equipment including three tube benders with 1-inch round capacity and up to 2-inch square capacity.

The Painting department has an automated conveyor paint

line with five wash and rinse stages and a dry-off and curing oven. The painting department has large and small part capabilities.

The Welding department has 20 manual steel welding stations plus four manual aluminum stations and one robotic welding cell.

Sun-air is also the parent company for Yellow Creek Coating Services (YCCS) at the Yellow Creek Port in Iuka, Mississippi. YCCS is a blasting and coating facility for large diameter pipe and sheet piling

produced at the low Creek Port. Sun-air also performs blast coat operations and miscellaneous shapes.

Sun-air employs 91 team members at both facilities combined.

ment includes Don Hall, President; Kaila Timmerman, General Manager; Joey Hall, Sales Manager; Greg Collier, General Manager; and Jeff Holt, Office Manager.

Learn more about the company at sunairproducts.com

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ingo County News back in November of 1967. She worked many years at the paper, coming to the Vidette when the two papers merged. She made many lasting friendships and those who worked with her remember how much she loved Christmas. She would turn the radio high and call the local radio station and request "The Memory

of an Old Christmas Card" by Jim Reeves. Christmas music filled the building and the Christmas spirit was everywhere in the News office.

Later Martha worked in the Tishomingo County Chancery Clerk's office before retiring. She and Kissum now enjoy working in their beautiful yard and visiting with old friends.

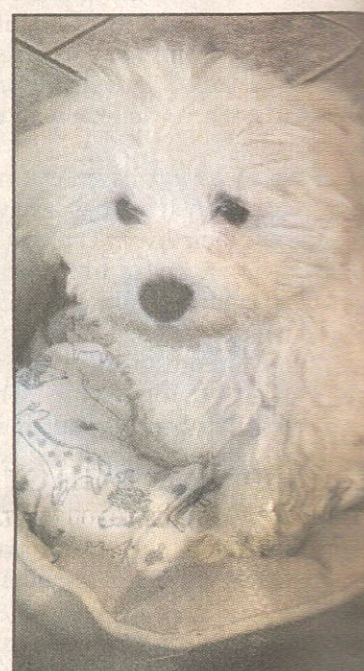
Grisham

The last few months have been a challenge, as their home was one of the hardest hit by the September tornado, but repairs to the house are happening and Martha and Kissum will have lots of work to do this Spring bringing their yard back to the showplace it has always been.

Congratulations to this wonderful couple - Merry Christmas!

Pet of the Week

Congratulations to Phoebe Timbes. This pretty little girl is the Pet of the Week at Iuka Animal Clinic. Her human mommy is Natalie Timbes. Phoebe is a 6 month old Schnoodle (Schnauzer & Poodle mix). Phoebe loves playing with her little brother Barkley and playing with all her toys. She also loves her mommy very much. Phoebe is full of energy and is a lot of fun to play with. She enjoys being outside and laying on her bed in the sunshine. One of her favorite past times is snuggling with her brother Barkley. They are very close and love having each other for doggy company. If your dog loves to be around other dogs, it can be a great idea for your dog to have a furry friend of their own. A healthy bond between two dogs, is one where the dogs provide each other with strengths that the other lacks. When together, these dogs thrive in social situations due to the confidence that their partner gives them, which they may otherwise not have. Though they may seem vulnerable when away from their partner, the absolute best is brought out in both when they are together. They truly make each other a better dog, in the way that a human hopes their spouse makes them a



better person. Healthy bonded pairs take care of each other, encourage each other, and truly allow the other to be happy or fulfilled. Dr. Jim Perkins has named all pets to be happy and healthy. Your pet needs veterinary care call 423-221-1111. Your pet will thank you.

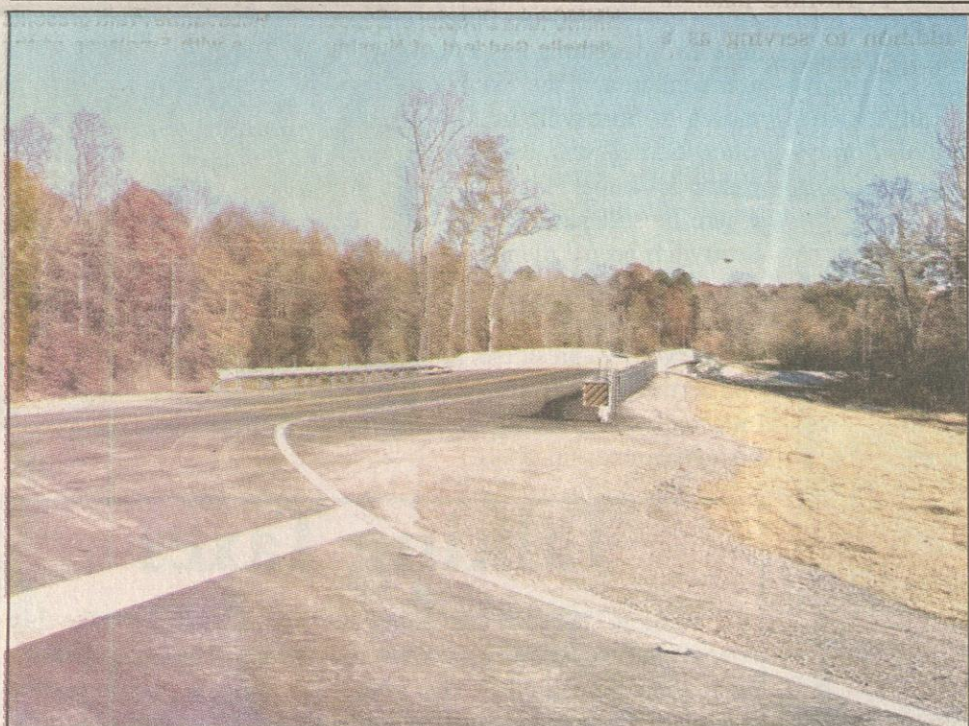


Photo By Opal Lovelace

Highway 172 Reopened

Highway 172 (Old Highway 72) recently reopened after being closed for 11 months while two bridges on the road were being replaced by the

Mississippi Department of Transportation.

The project started in early December of 2020; the road closure signs were taken down in November of this year and the road reopened. The much needed improvements made to the areas where the bridges were replaced definitely adds to the appeal of driving on highway 172. Many locals are excited to see the road reopen for the added convenience of travel between Burnsville and Iuka.



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Dickens Christmas

Downtown Iuka

Presented By IDEA

Friday, December 17th *6pm
More information coming soon

more info contact idea38852@yahoo.com

Tishomingo Arts Council Announces Third Annual Gingerbread Contest

TAC's Gingerbread competition is back for a third year and the event will be bigger than ever!

In addition to their own competition this year, TAC has reached out to other area organizations to create a regional championship. The winners of the TAC competition, along with winners from Alcorn, Pontotoc, and Union will vie for the title of North Mississippi Gingerbread Champion!

The competition is open to anyone and is free to enter.

A popular winner determined by Facebook voting will be awarded \$100.

A critics' choice youth winner will be awarded \$50.

A critics' choice adult winner will be awarded \$75.



\$75.

The highest ranking entry from within Tishomingo County will go on to vie for prize money against winners of the gingerbread competitions of BOND Small Business Group in Pontotoc Co., Union County Heritage Museum of Union Co., and The Alcorn Regional Creative Collective of Alcorn Co.

To enter the competition, email at least two photos (one of your gin-

gerbread creation under construction and another of your completed design) to tishcoarts@gmail.com (with subject line: Gingerbread 2021) by December 26th. Be sure to include your name, age, and physical address.

Entries must be free-standing and completely original, though not necessarily made of gingerbread. If it's edible and you can build with it, it's fair game. Only original constructions (no kits) will be accepted this year. Team and family entries are allowed.

TAC gives thanks to Bushwhackers Salon and to Cornerstone Insurance & Financial of Iuka for making this year's competition possible!

Tishomingo Arts Council invites YOU to make the holiday season a little warmer with the gift of song!

Whether school or church group, business staff, or independent musician, you are welcomed to submit a video of you and your group singing a holiday song between now and December 10th. These videos will be programmed to rim across TAC's social media platforms throughout the month of December.

In its second year, the TAC Digital Caroling Series already promises to be twice as large as last with several videos already coming in. There will be a healthy mix of local schools and individuals and some well-known groups and personalities from the larger area. In addition to entries from inside the county, songs will be coming in from the WTVA news crew, the McNairy County Music Hall of Fame, The Memphis Pipe Band, The Courthouse Pickers, Goodtime Brass, and several other known groups from our area and beyond.



Letter to the Editor

I would like to say thank-you to Dr. Phillip and Margaret Gray for donating the tree to the city of Iuka for our first (but not last Christmas Lighting.) Thank-you to Mayor Joel Robertson and the Board of Alderpersons for approving this project. A Very special Thank-you to Barney Dick, owner of Triple D and his crew, Dustin Dick, Brandon Dick, Dale Medley, Clint Roberts and James Hairrell, for cutting and transporting the tree and to the TCEPA crew who helped with project. (Hallmark has nothing on us). Many Thanks to all those who help in any way.

Sharon Hairrell

Christmas Bizarre At Gospel Lighthouse Pentecostal Church

Gospel Lighthouse Pentecostal Church (1316 Main Street, Tishomingo) will be having a Christmas Bizarre on December 4th, 2021 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Multiple vendors will be set up. Lunch plates will be available. Homemade desserts will also be available for purchase.

Midway Fire Department Pecan Sales

Midway fire department has started their annual pecan sales. This year our pickup site is Highway 25 Truck and Trailer Parts, Iuka (Across from old skating rink). Halves, pieces, chocolate and caramel covered pecans will be available. \$10 per bag. Contact Debbie Trussell, 423 3916. They will also be available at Tishomingo Bancorp South, and Hairport, Iuka.



20th Century Club Pecans Have Arrived

Pecans have arrived and with the help of Sam and Fredda McCune and their grandson Jarrett Sanderson and the Whitfield gang, Jimmy, Brenda and their grandsons Austin and Andrew the unloading and distributing went smoothly. Please contact a 20th Century Club member to get yours today, still \$11.00 a bag for halves or pieces. Thanks again to all these great folks and especially the men for their muscles. Happy Holidays!

NMMC-Iuka Honors Goddard as Outstanding Employee

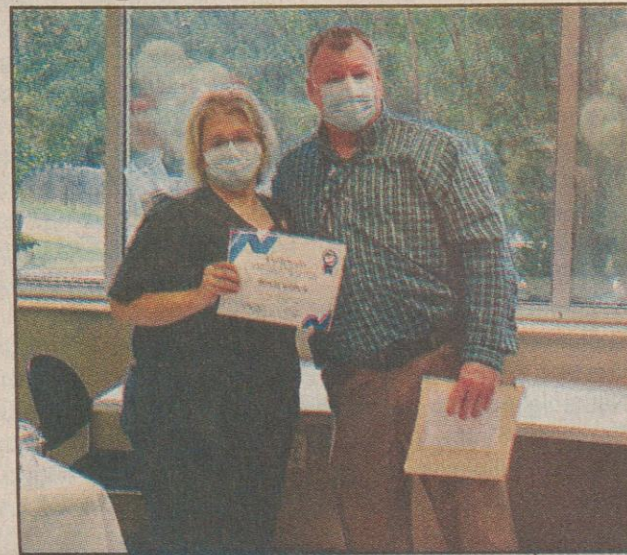
IUKA, Mississippi – Michelle Goddard, who works in Nursing Services at North Mississippi Medical Center-Iuka, has been selected by her peers as the most recent Employee of the Quarter.

"She is always looking out for others and goes out of her way to offer help in any way she can," wrote her coworker in nominating Goddard for the award.

Goddard fills multiple roles at NMMC-Iuka. In addition to serving as a nursing assistant, she is a unit coordinator and monitor tech.

"The job may be demanding, but the satisfaction from helping patients feel comfortable and loved can be rewarding," Goddard said. "I consider the NMMC-Iuka staff family; it's a great place to work."

Goddard is quick to offer a smile and to respond to patients' needs.



NMMC-Iuka Director of Support Services Jamie Pruitt presents Michelle Goddard of Nursing Services with Employee of the Quarter recognition.

"She extends compassion to everyone she makes contact with," her colleague wrote.

Goddard's health care career stretches across two decades. She graduated from Northeast Mississippi Community College in Booneville with an associate degree in 2000, earning certification as a

medical assistant. She also completed her certified nursing assistant training through NEMCC. She joined the NMMC-Iuka staff in 2017.

She and her husband, Randy, have a son, Brantley. She attends Calvary Baptist Church in Belmont.

Register Now for 2021 Spring Semester

BOONEVILLE, Miss. - Registration for the spring semester at Northeast Mississippi Community College is now open.

Northeast officials have built a traditional schedule of seated classes for Spring 2022. Administrative offices are open Monday through Thursday 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. and Friday from 8 a.m. until noon.

The college will be closed beginning Friday, December 17-31 for Christmas/New Year holidays. All offices will open for the Spring semester Monday, January 3, 2022.

Hours will be extended Thursday, January 6, 2022 until 6 p.m. at all campuses (Booneville, Corinth, New Albany and Ripley).

Seated classes begin Monday, January 10, 2022 with online classes set to begin Tuesday, January 18. Last day to enroll in online classes is January 19, while the enrollment deadline for in-person classes is January 20.

Students age 62 and over may enroll tuition-free. For more information contact Northeast at 1-800-555-2154,

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Iuka Church of Christ



**Saturday, Dec. 4th
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Located in Fellowship
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Breakfast with Santa Hosted by The Masonic Lodge of Iuka & Junior Auxiliary of Tishomingo County

**Saturday, December 4th
8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.**

Mineral Springs Park Youth Center
Breakfast, Christmas Ornament Craft, and a
Visit with Santa

FREE TO THE PUBLIC

Judy Fancher McCreary

BELMONT, MS – Judy Fancher McCreary, 77, passed away Thursday, November 25, 2021 at Sanctuary Hospice, Tupelo, MS. She was born in Corinth, MS and taught first grade for over forty years. Judy was a member of Belmont United Methodist Church.

Services were Saturday, November 27, 2 p.m. at Belmont United Methodist Church with Bro. Dallas Culver, Bro. Jerry Ginn and Bro. Mark Nail officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, Red Bay, AL. Deaton Funeral Home, Belmont, MS was in charge of arrangements.

She is survived by two daughters – Lisa Stockton (Mike) and Lauren Sparks; six grandchildren – Philden Stockton (Leigh Anne), Greta Weatherford (Clay), Brooks McCreary, Alex Sparks (Bailey), Kirk Sparks and Beth McCreary; six great-grandchildren – Olivia Stockton, Presley Stockton, Cruze Weatherford, Carter Weatherford, Kyson Sparks and Saylor; her twin brother – Jerry Fancher (Judy); two nephews, Matthew Fancher (Leigh Anne) and Michael Fancher (Meredith); son-in-law-Greg Sparks and special friend and caregiver, La-Vaughn Overton.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Dale and Mary Pauline White Fancher; a son, Phil McCreary and her nephew, Mark Fancher.

Pallbearers were Michael Fancher, Micky Holloman, Richard Babb, Joe Yarber, Robert Cashion and Dicky Sparks. Honorary pallbearers were Tim Twitty and Tommy Clark.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to LeBonheur Children's Hospital at www.lebonheur.org or Belmont United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 516, Belmont, MS 38827.

Carolyn Elizabeth Clark

Carolyn Elizabeth Clark, 67, of Iuka, MS, passed away on Sunday, November 28, 2021, at her home in Iuka.

Services will be held Friday, December 3, 2021 at 2 p.m. at Magnolia Funeral Home – EAST Corinth, with Bro. Frankie Smith officiating. Visitation will be held on Thursday, December 2, 2021 from 5pm-8pm and on Friday, December 3, 2021 from 12pm – 2pm at Magnolia Funeral Home – EAST. Interment will follow the service in New Lebanon Freewill Baptist Church Cemetery.

Carolyn Elizabeth Clark was born on August 17, 1954 in Iuka, MS. She was a homemaker and was of the Baptist Faith. Pallbearers will be Tommy Williams, Bailey Swindle, Chris York, Brandon York, Faibian Walls and Eli Keller.

She is survived by her husband James Lance Daniel, her daughters Lisa Kugle and Tandra Keller (Chris). Five grandchildren: Katelyn York (Chris), Lakota Hartley, Malarie Keller, Eli Keller and Shawn Smith, and one great grandchild. One brother James Robert Nobles (Sharon) one sister: Betty Marie Northcutt, and several nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

She is preceded in death by her father John Clinton Nobles, and her mother Virginia Elizabeth Nobles and brothers: Charles William Nobles and John Clarence "Snookie" Nobles.

Visit www.magnoliafuneralhome.net to send your condolences.

TCREP to Meet

The Tishomingo County Retired Education Personnel, TCREP, will meet at Sparks Drive In in Belmont on December 10, at 10:00. Registration will begin at 9:30. PERS board member, Randy McCoy, will be the guest speaker.

Pamala Credille

Pamala Credille, age 72 passed away Sunday, November 28, 2021. She enjoyed crocheting, cross stitching, sewing, and reading to her nieces and nephews.

She is survived by her sisters, Margaret Fuller (Doug) and Kathy Yeager (Tom); nieces, Debra Fuller and Kim Lambert (Jimmy); nephew, Zeke Yeager; great nieces, Abbigale Ewing; Lacey Hamilton (Pamela), Hannah Lambert, and Hali Lambert; great nieces, Christopher Lambert and Alastair Lambert; great nieces, Henley Hamilton; a host of cousins and friends. She was preceded in death by parents, Clifton and Credille; sister, Marilyn Martin; nephew, Chip Martin.

Ludlam Funeral Home in Iuka, MS was in charge of the arrangements. You may leave online condolences to the family at www.ludlamfuneralhome.com

Luncheon

People's Tabernacle Church, 64 Airways Blvd. in Burnsville, have a free Seasoned Saints Luncheon (55 Years and Older) on Friday, December 3 at 12:00PM. Guest Homcoming Artist "ANN DOWNING" will perform a Christmas Musical Concert. For more information go to www.ptcsavannah.com or 731-727-8242

Holiday Closing

The Tishomingo County Courthouse will be closed December 23rd and December 24th for Christmas. December 31st for New Years. Garbage for the month will run as normal. Merry Christmas to all!

CHURCH DIRECTORY

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Burnsville - Ron Thomas

Campground - Jerry Bonds

Chapel Hill - Scotty McCay

Dennis - Nathan Hodum

Golden Chapel -

Stephen Kennedy

Harmony - Ron Thomas

Iuka First United - Harrell Moore

Jones Chapel - Isaac P. Peterson

Old Bethel - Stephen Kennedy

Paradise - Chris Borden

Patrick - Ron Thomas

Pleasant Hill - Ann Ferguson

Riverton -

Rocky Springs - Jerry Bonds

Salem -

Snowdown - Rev. Chris Borden

Spring Hill - J. B. Burns, Jr.

Rutledge Salem - Chris Borden

Tishomingo - Stephen Kennedy

CHURCH OF JESUS

CHRIST OF LATTER

DAY SAINTS

Booneville Ward - Michael Byrd

Iuka Ward - Andrew McGaughy

GOSPEL

Assembly Of Christ House

of Prayer - Lelon Owens

Iuka Church Of God - Rodney Windham

James Gospel Chapel - Anitha F. Keith

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

Mt. Evergreen -

Michael S. Lambert

Way of Life Worship

Center - Scotty Young

Harvest Church House

of Worship - Roger & Sue Reece

Margerum Community

Church - Rod Stans

New Life Church -

Stafford

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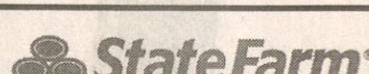
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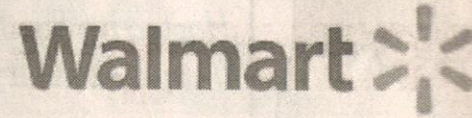
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Earline B. Whitfield

Earline Barnes Whitfield, 95, of Iuka, Mississippi, was welcomed to Heaven on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 25, 2021, at Tishomingo Manor Nursing Home. Mrs. Whitfield was born on February 27, 1926, to Lillian Woodruff and Earl Wheeler. She became the wife of James Clay Whitfield, son of Walter and Lillian Seago Whitfield, on May 4, 1946. She was a former employee of Genesco Company and Ripley Screen Company. Being a devoted homemaker and excelling in her cooking, she was known for welcoming family and guests to their home and for her coconut cake. She was a life member of Harmony Methodist Church, serving as a Sunday school teacher for many years.



She is survived by her daughter, Charlotte Vines; a son, Clifford Clay Vines (Renee); her great-grandchildren, Andrew Thomas Vines, Samuel Lee Vines, Seth Carson Vines; four sisters, Louise Cox, Hilda Perry, Bernice Perry, and Ann Barnes; and a sister-in-law, Mary Linton Barnes. She was preceded in death by her husband, James Clay Whitfield; her parents, Earl and Lillian Woodruff Barnes; a granddaughter, Monica Lee Vines; a brother, Keiffer Barnes; and brothers-in-law, Jimmy Grisham, Kenneth Cox, and Perry.

Cutshall Funeral Home of Iuka, MS was entrusted with arrangements. Funeral services were at 3:30 p.m., on Friday, November 26, at Cutshall Funeral Home Chapel in Iuka, officiated by Cliff Vines. Interment was in West Grove Cemetery. Pallbearers were Lynn Perry, Michael Vines, Seth Vines, Austin Whitfield, Andrew Whitfield, and Alex Whitfield.

Memorials may be made to Harmony Cemetery. An online guestbook can be accessed at www.cutshallfuneralhome.com.

Doris Lee Crum

Doris Lee Crum, 70, of Burnsville, Mississippi, died Friday, November 26, 2021, at her residence. Mrs. Crum was a former Army veteran who served as a nurse during the Vietnam War. She was formerly employed at the Color in Corinth and was a homemaker. She enjoyed doing her hair, makeup and watching TV.



She is survived by two brothers, Dan and Austin Mauldin, Jr.; three grandchildren, Anna Crum (Anna), Ashley Crum, and Christina Crum; and numerous great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son, Jason Crum; her grandson, Peter Crum; and a sister, Linda Childers.

Cutshall Funeral Home of Iuka, MS was entrusted with arrangements. Funeral services were at 2:00 p.m., on Friday, November 26, at Cutshall Funeral Home Chapel in Glen, officiated by Bro. Jimmy Rich. Interment was in Brigman Hill Cemetery. Pallbearers were Gary Crum, Rickey Hudson, John Latch, Joe Quinn, Gary Smith, and Stephen Childers. Memorials may be made to Brigman Hill Cemetery Fund. An online guestbook can be accessed at www.cutshallfuneralhome.com.

Nathan Wooten

NATHAN, MS - Nathan Earline Wooten, 73, died Tuesday, November 23, 2021 at his residence. He had worked in maintenance at Wooten Manufacturing for twenty years and served in the U.S. Army and National Guard.

Memorial services were held Saturday, December 4, at Deaton Funeral Home Chapel, Belmont, MS. Bro. Donnie Wooten officiating. Deaton Funeral Home, Belmont, MS was in charge of arrangements.

He is survived by two grandchildren - Casey Pardue LeeAnn Hicks Adams Posey (Derek); one great-granddaughter - Cora Lee Posey and four brothers - Nathan Wooten (Mable), Jimmy Wooten (Peggy), Donnie Wooten (Teresa) and Larry Wooten (Linda).

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Jan Osborn and his parents, Nim and Nellie Mae Wooten.

Sue Smith

Sue Smith, 87, of Tishomingo, MS passed away at Baptist Hospital in Columbus, MS on Friday, November 26, 2021. She was born in Corinth, MS on October 26, 1934 to the late Leonard and Audie Beckham Cornelius and was a member of Snowdown Church of Christ. Sue worked at several local businesses including ITT and Wurlitzer in her earlier years. She also worked as a cook at Farmington School and retired as a cook for Whitfield Nursing Home. Sue was very artistic and loved painting and will forever be remembered in the hearts of those she loved.



Magnolia Funeral Home - 72 East Corinth was entrusted with the arrangements. A Celebration of Sue's life was held at 11 am Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at Magnolia Funeral Home - East Chapel officiated by Minister Dewey Smith and Minister G.W. Childs. Pallbearers were Ethan Rorie, Stone Rorie, Branson Rorie, Drake Rorie, Devin Smith and Roger Davis. Interment followed in Fairview Cemetery.

Those left to honor Sue's memory include her son, Perry Smith and wife Debbie; her daughter, Brenda Ross (Roger Davis); her grandchildren, Terry Smith (Amanda), Brandon Rorie (Amy), Shanna Wigginton (Curtis), Stephanie McHaffey, and Jacob Smith (Amber); her great grandchildren, Ethan Rorie (Sara), Stone Rorie (Weedoie), Branson Rorie, Drake Rorie, and Devin Smith; her great great grandchildren, Hadley Rorie and Brayden Rorie; her sisters, Martha Willett (Terry) and Judy Byrd (Mike); her brothers, Randy Cornelius and Steve Cornelius (JoAnn); several nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends. In addition to her parents, Sue was preceded in death by her husband Varnell "Kinky" Smith; her brothers, Dexter Cornelius and Perry Cornelius; and her sisters, Glenda Isbell and Betty Cornelius. Online condolences may be expressed at magnoliafuneralhome.net.

Varnell "Kinky" Smith

Varnell "Kinky" Smith, 89, of Tishomingo, MS passed away at his residence on Friday, November 19, 2021. He was born in Tishomingo, MS on November 14, 1932 to the late C. D. & Bertha Bullard Smith and was a member of Snowdown Church of Christ. He worked in landscaping and carpentry for many years, he loved coon hunting, fishing and horses and in his younger years he showed them. His greatest passion was his family and he will forever be remembered in the hearts of those he loved.



Magnolia Funeral Home - 72 East Corinth was entrusted with the arrangements. A Celebration of Kinky's life was held at 2 pm Tuesday, November 23, 2021 at Magnolia Funeral Home - East Chapel officiated by Dewey Smith and G.W. Childs. Pallbearers were Tim Rorie, Ethan Rorie, Stone Rorie, Branson Rorie, Drake Rorie and Devin Smith. Interment followed in Fairview Cemetery. Those left to honor Kinky's memory include his wife of 68 years, Sue Smith; his son, Perry Smith and wife Debbie; his daughter, Brenda Ross; his grandchildren, Terry Smith (Amanda), Shanna Wigginton (Curtis), Jacob Smith (Amber), Brandon Rorie (Amy), and Stephanie McHaffey (David Kinkennon); his great grandchildren, Eithan Rorie (Sara), Stone Rorie (Weedoie), Branson Rorie, Drake Rorie, and Devin Smith; his great great grandchildren, Hadley Rorie and Brayden Rorie; his sisters, Verlene Strickland and Vera Reed; several nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends. In addition to his parents, Kinky was preceded in death by 8 brothers and 3 sisters. Online condolences may be expressed at magnoliafuneralhome.net.

Thank You

The family of Linda McGaughy would like to express their appreciation for every act of kindness shown to us during her sickness and at her death.

Thank you to the staff of Cutshall Funeral Home for their assistance; to Bro. Ed Kennedy for his comforting words; to Greg Adams for the beautiful music; and to the pallbearers for their acts of kindness.

May God Bless each of you,
John McGaughy and Family

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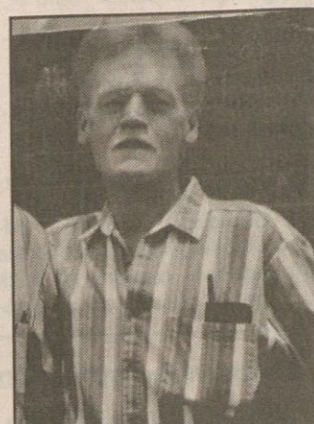
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Donald Robison

Donald Robison, age 62 passed away Friday, November 19, 2021. He enjoyed reading, cooking, and fishing; he was a family man. He is survived by his wife, Shirley Hale; daughter, April Portor (Adrian); mother, Opal Faye Wright; brother, John Robison; two sisters, Kris Allred (George), and Cindy Elders (Kenneth); several nieces and nephews; He was preceded in death by his father, Dave Robison; grandfather, William Walker; grandmother, Opal Walker; brother, David Robison. Funeral services were at 3:00 p.m. at Ludlam Funeral Home Chapel on Tuesday, November 23rd. Pallbearers were Adrian Porter, Ethan Meier, George Allred, Logon Meier, and Austin Elders. Burial was in Patrick Cemetery, Iuka, MS with no graveside services. Ludlam Funeral Home in Iuka, MS was entrusted with the arrangements. You may leave online condolences to the family at www.ludlamfuneralhome.com.

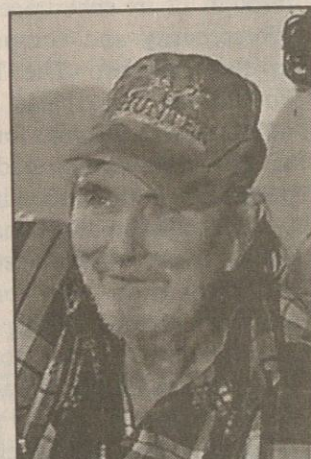


Larry Gaines

James Larry Gaines, 70, of Burnsville, Mississippi, died Friday, November 26, 2021, at the North Mississippi Medical Center in Iuka. Larry was a member of Strickland Church of Christ and was a former truck driver. He enjoyed hunting and watching Westerns.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret Gaines; a son, James "Bobo" Gaines; one brother, Hershel Skelton; two sisters, Pat Cosby and Diane Eichler; eight grandchildren, Cecelia Gaines, Brandon Kohliem, Anthony Kohliem, Kaitlyn Dexter, Jeremy Gaines, Jayden Gaines, Zoie Gaines, and Trinity Davis; and three great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his mother, Jeffie Lou Gaines Forman; his daughter, Tabitha Gaines; three brothers, Phil Skelton, Milton Skelton, and Jerry Clay Skelton; and a sister, Anita Skelton.

Cutshall Funeral Home of Iuka, MS was entrusted with arrangements. Funeral services were at 12:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 30, at Strickland Church of Christ, officiated by Bro. Terry Smith. Interment followed in Antioch Cemetery. Pallbearers were Paul Cosby, Eric Cooper, Brad Godwin, Tyler Shook, Cody Newcomb, and Jason Huffman. Honorary pallbearers were Robert W. Lambert, Brandon Kohliem, and Anthony Kohliem. An online guestbook can be accessed at www.cutshallfuneralhome.com.



Candice Barnes

Candice Faye Barnes, 60, of Iuka, MS passed away on Monday, November 22, 2021 at Huntsville Hospital. She enjoyed fishing, animals, and spending time with her family.

She is survived by her husband, Jeffery Barnes; her daughter, Jessica George (Aaron); her son, Jeremy Barnes (Reanna); her grandchildren, Elyssa George, Harrison George, and Jack George; her mother-in-law, Mary Barnes; her sister, Teri Laslo (Steve); her brothers, Mike Crow and Steve Crow; her sister-in-law, Sherry Tate; her brothers-in-law, Mike Barnes (Elise), Timothy Barnes (Chris), Gregory Barnes (Denise), and Paul Barnes (Penny); her aunt, Virginia Brown; and several dear nieces, nephews, cousins, and aunts. She was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas Sherman and Nova Jean Johnson Crow; her grandparents, Virginia Faye and Lon Tom Johnson; and her father-in-law, Kieffer Barnes.

Cutshall Funeral Home in Iuka, MS was entrusted with the arrangements. Services were held Saturday, November 27, at 11:00 a.m., at Cutshall Funeral Home Chapel in Iuka, officiated by Bro. Gregory Barnes and Bro. William Burcham.

Burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Mike Barnes, Tim Barnes, Brian Woodruff, Harrison George, Jack George, and Aaron George. Honorary pallbearers were Ernest Tyler, Paul Barnes, and Lawrence Barkley. Donations may be made in Candice's honor to any cancer charity. An online guestbook may be accessed at www.cutshallfuneralhome.com.

Blessing Box

The Blessing Box needs contributions of food canned goods, cereal box, milk and help appreciated to those who want to help others. The Blessing Box is located across from Dollar General in Iuka. Thank you, we are all here to help others. Thank you, Iuka for your help. We all need help sometimes.

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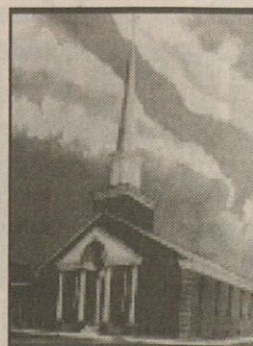
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF TISHOMINGO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
BILLY RAY MARTIN, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. CV2021-000242-71T

SUMMONS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF TISHOMINGO

TO: Unknown Heirs of Billy Ray Martin, Deceased

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Rosa Wilson and Ronnie Martin seeking the unknown heirs of Billy Ray Martin, Deceased.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 o'clock A.M. on the 18th day of January 2022, in the Courtroom of the Alcorn County Chancery Building in Corinth, Alcorn County, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition.

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

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 22nd day of November 2021.

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CAUSE NO. CV2021-000242-71T

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 12th day of November, 2021, by the Chancery Court of Tishomingo County, Mississippi to the undersigned Co-Administratrixes of the Estate of Billy Ray Martin, Deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.

This the 12th day of November, 2021.

ROSA WILSON
Co-Administratrix of the Estate of
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RONNIE MARTIN
Co-Administrator of the Estate of
Billy Ray Martin, Deceased

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF TISHOMINGO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN RE:

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT
OF VIRGIE WYNONA WADDLE
CAUSE NO.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 16th day of November, 2021, by the Chancery Court of Tishomingo County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Executor of the Estate of Virgie Wynona Waddle, deceased, hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.

This the 16th day of November, 2021.

TERESA NANCY WADDLE
Estate of Virgie Wynona Waddle

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SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF Tishomingo

WHEREAS, on the 28th day of October, 2021, Harry E. Neblett, Husband and Tenant, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust to Harry E. Neblett, Trustee for Mortgage Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Evolve Bank & Trust, Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness thereunder, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Tishomingo County, Mississippi in 2014003570; and

WHEREAS, on the 31st day of August, 2021, the said Harry E. Neblett, Trustee, by instrument recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Court in Tishomingo County, Mississippi in 2018002817; and

WHEREAS, on the 4th day of April, 2022, the said Harry E. Neblett, Trustee, by instrument recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Court in Tishomingo County, Mississippi in 2018002817; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the performance of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested that the same be sold, on the 16th day of December, 2021, at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, the following described land and property, to-wit:

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CyberStart America is sponsored by the National Cyber Scholarship Foundation and the SANS Institute. The program consists of a series of online challenges that allow students to act as cyber protection agents, solve cybersecurity-related puzzles, and explore topics such as code-breaking, programming, networking, and digital forensics. Participation in the program is free for schools and students. Mississippi students in grades 9 through 12 are encouraged to explore their aptitude for cybersecurity and computer science by participating in the program. The National Cyber Scholarship Foundation anticipates awarding approximately \$2 million in scholarships for use at any accredited college to 600 high-scoring students across the nation who participate in the competition.

For additional information on CyberStart America, please visit www.cyberstartamerica.org. Registration will be open through April 29, 2022. Students will be informed if they qualify for the CyberStart National Scholarship Challenge Round ("Nationals") when they have achieved sufficient progress but will be allowed to continue playing to build skills to be used at Nationals. To see the types of challenges that students will face in the games, please visit <https://go.cyberstart.com>.

"There has never been a greater need for cybersecurity experts than today," said Governor Tate Reeves.

"The CyberStart America Program provides the hands-on experience Mississippi students need to enter this highly specialized field, and I encourage students to participate in this exciting competition."

"As technology continues to advance, Mississippi will need additional cybersecurity professionals to protect citizens' personal information and financial data," said Commissioner Sean Tindell. "It is our hope that the CyberStart America program will allow more students to discover their interest in cybersecurity, ultimately diminishing the national skill shortage in this critical field."

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DEI Leadership Team

Trenika Mitchell, a native Dr. Trenika Mitchell was featured in a question-and-answer reprint from the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy. Trenika Mitchell is Associate Dean for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy. She graduated in 1998 from Tishomingo County School, earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Pharmaceutical Sciences from the University of Mississippi College of Pharmacy in 2002, and her Doctor of Pharmacy from Ole Miss in 2005.



Light: Trenika Mitchell, Member of DEI Leadership Team

Trenika Mitchell, an invaluable member of the DEI Leadership Team, is a leader both in the classroom and in our community. Every day she works to make UK a place where everyone feels valued and respected. We are only a stronger community because of people like Trenika Mitchell.

Q: Can you tell me about your background?

A: I am a Mississippian through and through. I grew up in a small town called Iuka, and it spelled the way I-U-K-A. The town was named after a Native American Chief.

I've known since the grade or seventh that I wanted to be a pharmacist, and I knew I wanted to practice pediatrics. I've always been teaching as well.

That a lot of people know is that you have to earn a bachelor's degree to go into pharmacy school. You need to complete prerequisites, which I did in years as an undergraduate. Then I went on to pharmacy school at the University of Mississippi.

After you want to teach practice in a specialty like pediatrics, there are residencies available. It's how I got to the University of Kentucky. HealthCare has one of the greatest residencies in the nation, so I signed and matched with it.

After my residency, I had multiple people from UK College of Pharmacy who said, "Trenika, we need to look at this as part of my plan."

Several peers and mentors encouraged me, I went to the current Pharmacy Practice and Science Department chair, applied and interviewed. The next day they offered me the position at the College. I've been at the College of Pharmacy ever since. Everyday I still practice pediatrics, so I'm a spoiled because I get the best of both worlds — teaching and practice.

What does your work look like?

First and foremost, I'm teaching. I love spending time with students and being in the classroom. I teach in the skills lab, but I also teach some DEI topics in my courses.

The (Diversity and Inclusion) part of my job, we are often emergency things that happen that require immediate attention and support.

For instance, after the targeted shootings in Atlanta, we immediately checked in with our students of color.

Q: What does DEI mean to you?

A: When people ask me what my job is, I say it very simply: My job is to love all people and ensure everybody feels valued and heard and seen. That's what it is to me, and I don't think you could take any part out; it requires each one. When people say diversity is being invited to the party and inclusion is being asked to dance, I think it's a great quote but incomplete. We must bring equity to the table. So, instead, I say, diversity is being invited to the party, equity is ensuring people can afford the admission cost, and inclusion is not just being asked to dance, but having music that people enjoy dancing to.

This world is so beautiful in its diversity, but we must ensure that it's always being celebrated. When individuals say they are "color blind," I think, "Why would anybody want to say they don't see color? It's so beautiful." Different cultures are wonderful, and I love learning about people, places, traditions, families and knowing that I'm constantly going to learn.

At UK, DEI is about continually broadening your mind and not just focusing on one group versus another group. Everyone is important. It's also about understanding the intersectionality of everything because we're not just one identity.

Our goal should be that everyone feels valued and that there's not one group that feels like they need to bang against the wall or shout from the rooftop to say, "This is what my experience is." What I've been teaching my students is that I can't tell someone else what their experience is. When people tell me a concern or that something is hurtful, I believe them.

We must find places where students can go to be their authentic selves because there's impostor phenomenon, code-switching and other things people feel they have to do to fit in. I would love to create this world where you never have to do those things, but we're definitely not there yet.

The point is to create an environment where people feel welcome here and where they know they are in a place that is constantly making improvements. That must be one of our ultimate goals. And that's for everybody — not just the students, not just faculty, but staff (who are our unsung heroes), too.

During the pandemic, we also activated the mobile vaccine clinics where we went to underserved communities in Lexington. I was able to volunteer at multiple clinics and was happy to bring potentially life-saving vaccines to those who are often overlooked. This effort is important to me, and I think it's even more important for people of color to see a person of color in these roles.

Q: What does DEI mean to you?

A: When people ask

The Iuka 20th Century Club ladies met at the Library on Thurs., the 18th of November. Jo Russell, Joy Kitchens, Fredda McCune, Sue Kerby, Beverly Estes, Brenda Whitfield, Brenda Irwin, Ruth Ellen Cox, and Vicki Yates were present. All other club members were missed.

Our meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance. Joy gave the Devotional and Invocation with the topic being We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing. Thy name be ever praised, oh Lord make us free.

Joy had the table decorated with a beautiful carved wooden pumpkin with fall decorations. The delicious food was enjoyed by all especially her coconut cream and sweet potato pies made with love.

Brenda Whitfield was Program Leader and the topic was on Education. What better person to talk about her love of ancestors, where they lived and all our veterans that have served in our country. Brenda is volunteering

her time to work at the Old Courthouse Museum and her main three projects she is working on are making sure she has a list of all our Veterans from our county that have served or currently serving. After the recent tornado destruction in our city it was discovered we need to have the history of your home, who lived in it before you and possibly who built your home, if that's available. There is a lot of historical information that needs to be shared on our beautiful homes in the city. And the last project is more detailed information on the family is needed on death records, branch of service, family members, etc. Her love of our beautiful city and all the families that lived here is dear to her heart. Let's please help her obtain what information can be gathered and shared.

Routine business was conducted, acknowledgments of birthdays, correspondence, financial report and minutes were read.

Pending business,

pecans arrived after our mtg., and we're still collecting change for the project Turn on the Tap and used cellphones for SAFE. Our donations to different organizations and schools will be distributed during the holidays.

Our next meeting is the 2nd of December at 1:00 at our Hostess, Freda's lovely home and Beverly will be our Program Leader on the Arts and Culture.

Action plan will be peanut butter or canned fruit for the Food Pantry.

The meeting concluded with Brenda Irwin winning the door prize.

Our Christmas social is scheduled for December 10th at Lil' Smokies and action plan is a slightly used purse with toiletries and a slightly used carry bag filled with a small stuffed animal for the children of the women of SAFE.

Our wish to each and everyone is to have a Safe and Blessed Christmas and a Prosperous and Healthy New Year.

LEGAL NOTICE

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF TISHOMINGO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, DECLARING THE INTENTION TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE COUNTY, TO ISSUE A GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND OF THE COUNTY FOR SALE TO THE MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT BANK, OR TO ENTER INTO A LOAN AGREEMENT WITH THE MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT BANK, IN PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,000,000, IN ONE OR MORE SERIES, TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING, RECONSTRUCTING, AND REPAIRING ROADS, HIGHWAYS, AND BRIDGES, AND ACQUIRING THE NECESSARY LAND, INCLUDING LAND FOR ROAD BUILDING MATERIALS, ACQUIRING RIGHTS-OF-WAY THEREFOR, AND FOR THE PURCHASE OF HEAVY CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES THERETO REASONABLY REQUIRED TO CONSTRUCT, REPAIR, AND RENOVATE ROADS, HIGHWAYS, AND BRIDGES AND APPROACHES THERETO WITHIN THE COUNTY; AND PURCHASING MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT WHICH HAVE AN EXPECTED USEFUL LIFE IN EXCESS OF 10 YEARS; DIRECTING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF SUCH INTENTION; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Tishomingo County, Mississippi (the "Governing Body" of the "County"), acting for and on behalf of the County, hereby finds, determines, adjudicates, and declares as follows:

1. It is necessary and in the public interest to issue debt obligations of the County to provide funds for the purpose of (i) constructing, reconstructing, and repairing roads, highways, and bridges, and acquiring the necessary land, including land for road building materials, acquiring rights-of-way therefor, and for the purchase of heavy construction equipment and accessories thereto reasonably required to construct, repair, and renovate roads, highways, and bridges and approaches thereto within the County; and purchasing machinery and equipment which have an expected useful life in excess of 10 years (the "Authorized Purposes"); (ii) funding a capitalized interest account, if necessary; and, (iii) paying the costs of the authorization, issuance, sale, validation, and delivery of the debt obligations (together, the "Project").

2. The County is authorized by Sections 1991 et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended (the "County Improvements Act"), to issue general obligation bonds of the County in an amount not to exceed the principal amount of \$6,000,000, in one or more series (the "Bonds"), for the Project, and for which purpose there are no other available funds on hand.

3. The assessed value of all taxable property within the County, according to the last completed assessment for taxation, is \$187,733,636. The County has outstanding bonded indebtedness subject to the 15% debt limit prescribed by the County Improvements Act, in the amount of \$3,780,000, and outstanding bonded and floating indebtedness subject to the 20% debt limit prescribed by the County Improvements Act (which amount includes the sum set forth above subject to the 15% debt limit), in the amount of \$3,780,000. The issuance of the bonded indebtedness hereinafter proposed to be issued, when added to the outstanding bonded indebtedness of the County, will not result in bonded indebtedness, exclusive of indebtedness not subject to the aforesaid 15% debt limit, of more than 15% of the assessed value of taxable property within the County, and will not result in indebtedness, both bonded and floating, exclusive of indebtedness not subject to the aforesaid 20% debt limit, in excess of 20% of the assessed value of taxable property within the County, and will not exceed any constitutional or statutory limitation upon indebtedness which may be incurred by the County.

4. Under the provisions of the County Improvements Act, Sections 31-25-1 et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended (the "Bank Act"), and other applicable laws of the State of Mississippi (the "State"), the County is authorized to undertake activities for the Project and to provide for the payment of the costs thereof, or any portion of such costs, by issuing a general obligation bond or general obligation bonds of the County in an amount not to exceed the principal amount of \$6,000,000, in one or more series, for the Project (the "Qualified Obligation"), for sale to the Mississippi Development Bank (the "Bank"), or entering into a loan agreement and obtaining a loan from the Bank for the Project in an amount not to exceed the principal amount of \$6,000,000, in one or more series (the "Loan").

5. The County reasonably expects that it will incur expenditures for the Project for which the County will advance internal funds prior to the issuance of the Bonds, the Qualified Obligation, or the Loan, and that it should declare its official intent to reimburse itself for all or a portion of such expenditures of the Project made in anticipation of the issuance of the Bonds, the Qualified Obligation, or the Loan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE COUNTY AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. This resolution is adopted pursuant to the County Improvements Act, the Bank Act, and other applicable laws of the State (together, the "Act").

SECTION 2. The Governing Body, acting for and on behalf of the County, does hereby declare its intention to issue and sell the Bonds or the Qualified Obligation or enter into the Loan, pursuant to the Act.

SECTION 3. The Bonds or the Qualified Obligation, if issued, will be general obligations payable as to principal and interest out of and secured by an irrevocable pledge of the avails of a tax to be levied annually, if necessary, upon all the taxable property within the geographical limits of the County, which tax, together with any other moneys available for such purpose, shall be sufficient to provide for the payment of the principal of and the interest on the Bonds according to the terms thereof. The Loan, if issued, will be payable from the legally available revenues of the County. Other funds available to the County which may be lawfully used for payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds, Qualified Obligation, or the Loan, if issued, include, but are not limited to, use taxes remitted from the State to the County as a result of the Infrastructure Modernization Act of 2018, House Bill 1, 2018 First Extraordinary Session.

SECTION 4. Pursuant to Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations (the "Reimbursement Regulations"), the Governing Body hereby declares its official intent to reimburse expenditures made for the Project prior to the issuance of the Bonds, the Qualified Obligation, or the Loan with the proceeds of the Bonds, the Qualified Obligation, or the Loan, to the extent permitted by the Reimbursement Regulations.

SECTION 5. The Governing Body proposes to direct the issuance of the Bonds, the Qualified Obligation, or the Loan in the amount, for the purpose, and secured as aforesaid, at a meeting of the Governing Body to be held at its regular meeting place and time in the Courthouse of the County located at 1008 Battleground Drive in the City of Iuka, Mississippi, at 8:30 a.m. on December 6, 2021, or at some meeting held subsequent thereto, if 20%, or 1,500, whichever is less, of the qualified electors of the County shall file with the Chancery Clerk of the County a written protest against the issuance of the Bonds, the Qualified Obligation, or the Loan on or before the aforesaid date and hour, then the Bonds, the Qualified Obligation, or the Loan shall not be issued unless authorized at an election to be called and held as provided by law on the question of the issuance of the Bonds, the Qualified Obligation, or the Loan. If no sufficient protest is filed, then the Bonds, the Qualified Obligation, or the Loan may be issued without an election on the question of the issuance thereof at any time within a period of 2 years after the date above specified.

SECTION 6. This resolution shall be published once a week for at least 3 consecutive weeks in the Tishomingo County News, located in the City of Iuka, Mississippi, a newspaper published in and having a general circulation in the County and qualified under the provisions of Section 13-3-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended. The first publication of this resolution shall be made not less than 21 days prior to the date fixed herein for the issuance of the Bonds, the Qualified Obligation, or the Loan, and the last publication shall be made not more than 7 days prior to such date.

SECTION 7. The Chancery Clerk shall be and is hereby directed to procure from the publisher of the aforesaid newspaper the customary proof of the publication of this resolution and have the same before the Governing Body on the date and hour specified in Section 5 hereof.

SECTION 8. If any one or more of the provisions of this resolution shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any of the other provisions of this resolution, but this resolution shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provision or provisions had not been contained herein.

Following the reading of the foregoing resolution and discussion thereof, Supervisor Jeff Holt moved and Supervisor Greg Collier seconded the motion to adopt the foregoing resolution, and the question being put to a roll call vote, the result was as follows:

Supervisor Michael Busby	voted: <u>Aye</u>
Supervisor Greg Collier	voted: <u>Aye</u>
Supervisor Brandon L. Grissom	voted: <u>Aye</u>
Supervisor Jeff Holt	voted: <u>Aye</u>
Supervisor Nicky McRae	voted: <u>Aye</u>

The motion having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the members present, the President declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted this day, November 1, 2021.

Tishomingo County, Mississippi
/s/ Michael Busby
President, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
/s/ Peyton Cummings
Chancery Clerk

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Christmas Issue

We are now working on our Christmas Greetings issue which will be delivered on Dec. 22. We need all ads by Dec. 15. Contact Susan for assistance.

We are also now taking Letters to Santa. Send to TCN P.O. Box 70, Iuka, MS 38852 or put in our drop box beside the front door.

IMS News

Only a few more basketball games before Christmas break. Next week, IMS will host Tishomingo on the 6th and Burnsville on the 9th. The last game of 2021 is Dec. 13 at home against Kossuth.

Yearbooks are still on sale. Go to Balfour.com to order yours. Time is running out! The deadline is in January.

All library books are due back to the library on Dec. 10 to prepare for inventory.



8th grader Gianni Torres weaves his way to the goal.



7th grader Kinley Hardwick uses her height to defend the ball.



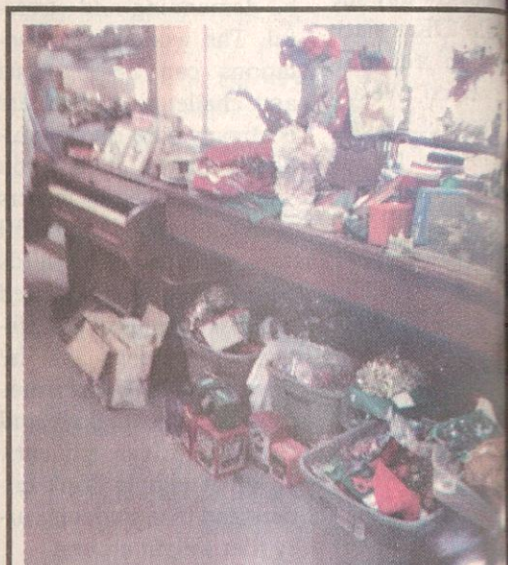
TCHS's Clara Garland scoring 20 points against Belmont recently.



at left: Congratulations to Chloe Butler and Kaedyn Brown for winning gift cards in the perfect attendance drawing.

It's time to begin thinking about semester exams. Here is the schedule.

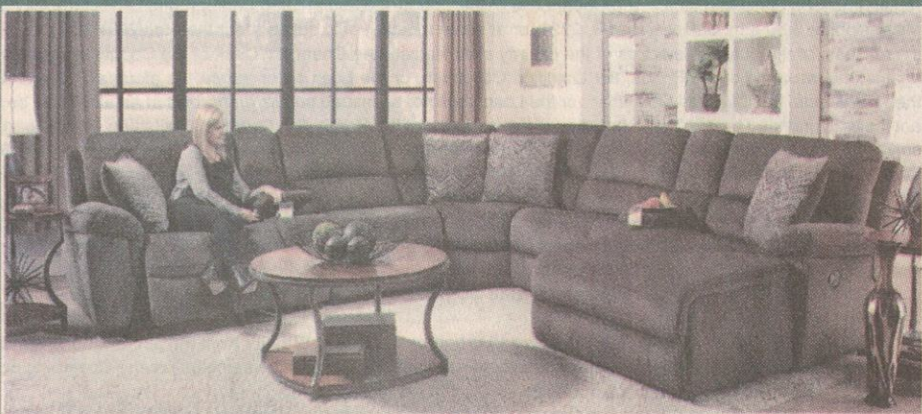
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