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THURSDAY OCTOBER 20, 2022 VOL. 139, NO. 15



Belmont celebrates after winning a match at Walnut Monday night.

Belmont plays for repeat state title Friday

After defeating Walnut Monday night at Walnut, the Belmont volleyball team is headed to their third straight state championship game, hoping to repeat their 2021 title.

They play Sacred Heart

about 1 p.m. at Mississippi State University's Newell-Grissom Building on Friday.

Tickets are available in advance online through the MHSAA website for \$12.

School officials: Attendance matters – every day!

The Tishomingo County School District wants to draw attention to student attendance and its importance in the learning process. School attendance has a direct correlation to student success. If students are not in school, they miss vital classroom instruction and one-to-one teacher time that assists in understanding and clarifying misconceptions.

"Student attendance is one of the most accurate indicators we have that predicts academic success," says TCSD superintendent Christie Holly. "The data is very clear – if a student begins missing school at an early age, learning outcomes for that child in math and

reading are greatly impacted. High levels of absenteeism are also a leading indicator of high school dropout rates," explained Holly. "So the negative cycle begins early and becomes almost impossible to overcome if not rectified."

Also, in the state of Mississippi, school funding from the state level is determined by student attendance. The months of October and November are the two months used to determine just how much funding is possible for a school district using the Mississippi Adequate Education Program (MAEP) formula.

"Basically, if our

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Jeff and Blair Holt manage to keep their team out of the fried oreos as they give rides Tuesday night at the Tishomingo County Fair. Holt Hill Farms will be doing rides several nights of the fair.

County Fair starts with a bang Tuesday night!

The Tishomingo County Fair kicked off Tuesday night with hundreds of folks through the gate for elementary and middle school choir performances, armband night, the youth pet show and a petting zoo.

There's more amusement park rides than ever, this year, and more food vendors and everything is really well organized thanks to the whole fair committee and staff of the Tishomingo County Extension Service.

Make plans now to come see all the great exhibits, ride the rides, and participate in the popular pageants and contests.

See ads throughout this edition for details on all the events and contests.

2022 Tishomingo County Fair **Schedule of Events**

Wednesday October 19th

Free Admission

9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.—Senior Citizen's Appreciation Day with Bingo and Live Entertainment

5 p.m.--Carnival Armband Night-Ride as much as you like for

5 p.m.—Free Petting Zoo

5-8 p.m.—Wagon Rides courtesy of Holt Hill Farms

6 p.m.-Hobo High Steppers 6:30—Just Plain Country

Thursday October 20th

Admission \$5 (ages 5 and under free) 5 p.m.--Carnival Armband night-Ride as much as you like for

5 p.m.—Free Petting Zoo

5-8 p.m.—Wagon Rides courtesy of Holt Hill Farms 6:30 p.m.--Gospel Music featuring The Lovelace Family & **Unity Four**

Friday October 21st

Admission \$5 (ages 5 and under free) 5 p.m.--Carnival Armband night-Ride as much as you like for

5 p.m.—Free Petting Zoo

5-9 p.m.—Train Rides by C&L Farms

6 p.m.—Battle of the Beards 8 p.m.--J-Bar-B Rodeo (outside arena)

Saturday October 22nd

Admission \$5 (ages 5 and under free) 9 a.m.--4-H Poultry Chain Auction 12 p.m.-Pageant registration begins



Several new rides are at the Fair this year. Folks of all ages enjoyed rides Tuesday night.

2 p.m.--Tiny Tot Show

2 p.m.-5 p.m.--Carnival Matinee-All rides \$1

3 p.m.-7 p.m.—Train Rides by C&L Farms 5 p.m.--Carnival Armband night-Ride as much as you like for

5 p.m.—Free Petting Zoo

5 p.m.--Tishomingo County King & Queen of Fair Contest 8 p.m.--J-Bar-B Rodeo (outside arena) featuring Tim "Wild Thang" Lepard & The Ghost Riders



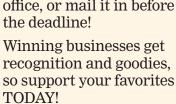
Monkeys riding dogs Saturday night!

You don't want to miss Saturday night's rodeo with special guest Tim "Wild Thang" Lepard and his unique border collie show! Lepard has been featured on the Tonight Show for the fantastic show he puts on with his clever border collies and the cute little cowboys!

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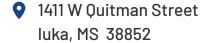


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luka Trunk-or-Treat Oct. 31st

It is that time again! Trunk-R-Treat will be held on Front Street in downtown Iuka from 6 to 8 p.m. Halloween night. Now is the time to get ready for this special annual event. To put a

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vehicle in Trunk R Treat, call Marcell Senter 279-2625 or Hannah Johnson 423-8859.

To participate in Trunk-R-Treat, the following guidelines must be observed:

- All candy must be purchased, individually wrapped.
- All vehicles are to be set up on Front Street by 6:00 pm.
- No candy will be given before 6 p.m. This will give all participants time to set up and our merchants the opportunity to serve their customers until closing.
- No vendors please.
- Please note, that the costume contest will be held this year at 7 o'clock.

Trunk-R-Treat is an activity designed as a onestop alternative to trick or treating. Please come and enjoy this anticipated family fun event.

Pilot International's mission is to influence positive change in communities throughout the world. To do this, we focus on encouraging Brain Safety & Health, preparing Youth for Services, and supporting Those Who Care for Others. For more information about Pilot and its mission go to www. pilotinternational.org. If you are interested in joining this service minded organization, please contact any Pilot Club of Iuka member or Beth Davis, President.



Spooktacular Decorations at Whitfield house!

You'd be hard pressed to find anyone more excited about Halloween decorations than Eli Whitfield, who has spent hours decorating his yard for the holiday! Be sure and visit him Friday the 28th or Saturday, October 29th to see his awesome decorations and get candy! The house is across from luka Elementary School on Whitehouse Road.

Attendance, continued from front

attendance rates are low, the funding formula is directly impacted. So that can inadvertently shift funding to the local taxpayer to meet millage requests from year to year," explained Holly. "We know we usually have a variety of illnesses pop up in the fall – from COVID and the flu, to strep and stomach virus. So students need to be in school when not ill to help us keep our attendance rates up and our funding mechanisms in the formula as high as possible," Holly

The Tishomingo County School District works with youth court and the truancy officer to address excessive unexcused absences. Students with 12 or more unexcused absences are addressed in court unless documents are presented to prove the absences were justified. By state law, the school can only take documents excusing an absence for 2 days after the absence. So if families don't send proper documentation, those absences are unexcused.

"Parents and families need to be aware of the implications for unexcused absences as it relates

not only to lost learning but also possible jail time," said Holly. "We appreciate the help we receive from our county agencies that help us with students who are truant.'

Likewise, the decision to not come to school leads to bad habits that can affect a child for a lifetime. The district has ongoing conversations with local businesses and industries to discuss possible career pathways for students to enter once they leave high school. When those conversations occur, one of the main requests the district receives from employers is to send students who will show up for work and be on time.

"I think a lot of students and families get into the mindset that it's ok to miss school because our schools, particularly our teachers, work hard to make sure the student gets make up work and try to address learning gaps that occur due to missed days. Those habits seem to carry over into the workplace where some think the business or industry will make accommodations for them to not report to work as required or excuse them for being late. We

have attendance and tardy policies for a reason in schools. These policies help us teach students the importance of being responsible, of completing tasks on time, and of respect for those who set those requirements," explained Holly. "But if we don't have support at home from parents who also stress the importance of those behaviors. it prevents the student and the school from being the best they can be. That in turn directly impacts our communities, our workforce, our businesses, and our industries."

Teaching our children about the importance of not only the reading, math, and general knowledge of school, but also teaching them about the importance of attendance, respect, and acceptable social behaviors is just as vital.

"Our county needs a viable workforce, and we strive to make sure our schools are giving students the skills to be productive citizens," Holly said. "However, we have to have our kids in school, and we have to have the support of our parents to reach that goal."

Happenings

Revival at Mt. Vernon -Mt. Vernon Baptist Church, located at 16 County Road 420 luka in the Rutledge Salem community, will have revival services October 23 -26, 2022. Sunday service will be at 6 pm while the services Monday through Wednesday will begin at 7 pm each night. Bro. David George, pastor at Antioch Baptist Church in Rienzi, MS, will be the visiting preacher. Bro. Mike Haynes and the congregation extend a special invitation

New Salem Neighborhood Watch Oct. 25 - New Salem area

to everyone to attend these

services of revival.

residents are encouragned to come out to New Salem for the Neighbohood Watch group meeting at 7 p.m. There will be chili and soup, and we are electing new officers.

luka/IDEA Veterans> Day Parade - The 2022 Veterans Day Parade will be held Saturday, November 12th beginning at 11 a.m. IDEA is seeking nominations for the Grand Marshall for this year.

Start making plans to be a part of this special event! Walkers, bicycles, floats, 4-Wheelers, golf carts, cars, side by sides are allwelcome to enter.

Please contact Anne Marie Brown 662-424-2394 or Kenny Carson 662-212-3702 to register.

UpComing

Fall Festival/Trunk or Treat in Tishomingo - at Tishomingo Baptist Church parking lot & field

luka Trunk or Treat -October 31st

Election Day - November

Veterans' Day Parade & JayBird Market -November 12. Downtown

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Shirley Johnson Gould

Shirley Johnson Gould, 84, of Iuka passed away Tuesday, October 4th, 2022 at the Mississippi Care Center in Corinth. She was a Christian, and a member of the Fifth Street Baptist Church in Iuka. She was born July 23, 1938 in Kentucky. She worked as a secretary until her retirement.

Locally, there will be a celebration of life for Shirley Saturday, October 22nd, at 2 p.m. at Fifth Street Baptist. There was another family celebration of life October 8th, 2022 at Bethel Cumberland



Celebration of Life Saturday 2 p.m. October 22, 2022 Fifth Street Baptist

Presbyterian Church in Kevel, Kentucky.

In her passing, she leaves her beloved spouse of many years, Benny Weathers, who was there for her every day. Her family appreciated his kindness and faithfulness during her illness and recognized his support and love for Shirley at the Kentucky event.

Also left to mourn her are her stepdaughter Linda Gould Ashley (Matthew); daughter Robbie Lewis; granddaughters Debra Bedocs Duck (Ed) and Amanda; four great-grandchildren: Kandy Randall (Tyler); Jason Duck (Kelli); Nathan Bedocs, Reston Bedocs; and five great-great-grandchildren: Cayden, Trinity, Colton, Elise, and Maddie. Also, two sisters: Georgie Johnson Thorpe (Lynn); and Jeanie DeBay (Bruce.)

She was preceded in death by her parents, George Johnson and Corzette Johnson, a sister, Joy Parez, and a daughter, Cindy Greer.

Walter Ray Hall

Walter Ray Hall, age 74 passed away Tuesday, October 11, 2022. He enjoyed gardening, rock hunting, playing guitar, and loved The Beatles Band.

He is survived by his son, Danny Ray Hall; daughters, Beverly Boone (Jerry Trimble), Cheryl Wilbanks (Steven), Brandi Henry, and Shelanna Cliff (Gabriel Knapp); brothers, Louis Hall (Mary), David Hall, and Don W. Hall; sisters, Ann Wood,



Jolene Shepherd, and Lynda Taylor; grandchildren,
Danny Ray Hall II, Joseph Hall, Rachel Hall, Sabrina
Hall, Amber Boone, Owen Boone, Stephanie McAnally
(Daniel), Mark Wilbanks (Danica), John Wilbanks,
Ruby Wilbanks, Corey Ortner (Kelly), Braden Wilson,
Alanna Cliff, Ariella Cliff, Amaya Knapp, Kallie Knapp,
Carson Knapp, Khloe Knapp; great grandchildren,
Allyson Peters, Saylor Peters, Bentley Ortner, and
Kyleigh Ortner. He was preceded in death by his
father, Herbert Hall; mother, Eula B. Hall; brothers,
James Hall, Johnnie Hall, and Aaron Hall; sisters,
Mamie Singleton and Deborrah Gilley;
grandson, Danny Ray Hall II.

A memorial service was held Friday,
October 14, 2022, at Grace Apostolic
Community Church, Savannah,
Tennessee beginning at 10 a.m. until
4 p.m. Ludlam Funeral Home is honored to serve
the family of Walter Ray Hall. You may leave online
condolences to the family at www.ludlamfuneralhome.



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Marsha Diane Studdard

Marsha Diane Studdard, 72, of Burnsville, Mississippi, died on Monday, October 17, 2022, at North Mississippi Medical Center in Tupelo.

For most of her life, Mrs. Studdard worked in her home as a homemaker. She enjoyed caring for her family and getting to spend time with them. She loved flowers and worked at the Iuka Flower Shop for several years. She was also employed at the Iuka Shirt Factory for a while. When she wasn't working or with her family, she found joy in quilting and cooking.

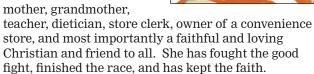
Mrs. Studdard is survived by her daughters,
Lee Barnes and Lynn Callicutt (Warren); her
grandchildren, Ryan Wilson (Erin), Zachary Callicutt,
and Matthew Callicutt; her great-grandchildren,
Tripp, Reece, and Josie Wilson; her sister, Imogene
Parsons; and a host of nieces and nephews. She was
preceded in death by her husband, James E. Studdard;
her son-in-law, John M. Barnes; her parents, Charles
and Mary Lee Russell Moore; and her
granddaughter, Jessica C. Wilson.

Cutshall Funeral Home in Iuka, Mississippi, is entrusted with the arrangements. A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. on Thursday, October 20, 2022, at Cutshall Funeral Home in Glen, Mississippi. An online guestbook may be accessed at www.cutshallfuneralhome.com.

Peggy Austin Burcham

Mrs. Burcham passed away on Wednesday, October

12, 2022 to be with our Lord and Savior after battling a short terminal illness. She was born August 6, 1945 to Powell and Ruby Austin. She was a long-time employee of Walmart and loved to cook for the family, church, and community. She was a long-time member of Pleasant Grove Church of Christ. Through the years she has been a wonderful mother, grandmother.



A Celebration of Life service for Peggy Austin Burcham, 77 of Burnsville, Mississippi was held Saturday, October 15, 2022 at 2 p.m. at Magnolia Funeral Home – East Chapel and she was buried at Pleasant Grove Church of Christ Cemetery. Craig Chandler, Shannon Seaton and Joe Story officiated the service.

Peggy is survived by her children, Leda Burcham Colwell (Richard), Lloyd Burcham (Susan) and Lane Burcham; her grandchildren, Rodger Glen Burcham, Rebekah Suddler (Emanuell), Ryan Burcham, Julianne Colwell, Clyde Burcham and Bethany Butler; her brother, James Rufus Austin (Barbara); her sister-in-law, Kathy Austin; other relatives and a host of friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, Powell and Ruby Austin; her sister, Jane Hardwick; her brother, Gerry "Doc" Austin and her brother-in-law, John Hardwick. Pallbearers were Clyde Burcham, Rodger Burcham, Jeff Burcham, Heath Whitaker, Tommy Bonds and Reed Bronson. Honorary pallbearers were Abe South, Richard Colwell, Kelly Hardwick and Chris Austin. Magnolia Funeral Home has been honored to serve the family of Mrs. Peggy Austin Burcham.



Thank you

I would like to share immense thanks to all my family, friends and loved ones whom have shown great support during my time of need. Thank you so much! Linda Roberts



North Mississippi Cow Punchers Junior Rodeo

out to the Tishomingo County Fairgrounds and see if you've got what it takes to be a Cow Puncher! Ages 0-18 will participate in events like mutton busting, barrel racing, pole bending, chute dogging, goat tying, stick horse race (0-5 yrs), dummy roping, breakaway roping, tiedown roping, team roping and more!

Sign ups begin at 7:30

Check out the table at the Tishomingo County Fair this week for more information!

Fall Fellowship at Rowland Mills

Come out for a fall fellowship event Saturday October 29th from 4 -6 p.m.. There will be food, drinks, candy and treats. Join us for a great fellowship! We would love to see you there.

Revival at South Crossroads

Bro. Sean Glidewell will be the featured speaker at the fall revival at South Crossroads Baptist Church October 23rd through 26th. Service will be at 6 p.m. Sunday the 23rd and at 7 p.m. on the weeknights. Please join us!

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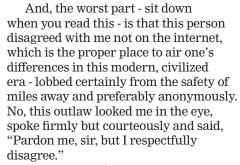
Someone recently had the audacity to disagree with me. I know, can you believe it?! I thought one of the perks of being a 40+ year-old man would be that all would respect my wisdom. When I

was younger I assumed the time period of my life from 40 to pretty much death would be filled with people solemnly nodding their heads in agreement with me ... at least until I got too old and it became impolite to argue because it might confuse me.

I've heard all this stuff about mansplaining, which is when a man explains something to a woman in a condescending manner, and I thought. "Wait, people are saying that like I'm *not* supposed to do that. How will everyone

Cryings

Nate Clark



I was outraged.

The patriarchy isn't the only thing getting challenged in beautiful, crimefree Iuka, Mississippi this autumn. My immune system has folded quicker than the French Army. I spent one day out breathing in all the Fall air which turned out to be about as good for me as licking a New York City escalator handrail. As I type this early in the morning (which may or not be the day after my deadline), I've got gross snot coming out of my nose and something

downright unholy coming up from my chest when I cough. Seriously, if my snot is like the unwelcome relative who comes to your house once every few Christmases without a gift and steals whatever prescriptions aren't bolted down in the medicine cabinet; then this gunk in my chest is the cousin who straight opens a meth lab in your guest bathroom. It is a color that I would describe as too masculine to be just green. Fevers have been traded amongst the members of the Clark household like they were baseball cards (or, for those of you under 30, Magic: The Gathering cards). I don't feel too bad just yet, but if the colors that are coming out of me are any indication then, folks, this snot is going to be a booger.

But I will soldier on, not because I'm brave, I'm just afraid of what my wife will do to me if I make her have to take care of the kids alone. They may look cute and innocent, but that's because

you've never slept in the same bed with them. In their slumber they kick, roll and jab. One might as well try to sleep with a donkey that's gone into labor.

I'm ashamed to admit it, but most days our 6 and 10 year-olds subsist on a diet of Pop Tarts, Oreos and whatever candy is being sold in the concession stand at the event we're attending that evening. They keep their swimsuit figure year round, though, because they burn more calories than a marathon runner in their sleep. Half the time, they'll wake up with their head at the foot of the bed. And the whole time they are awake they are asking for something. So, my sainted wife will likely not take pity on me if this cold turns into something else. She'll probably say I have just got a case of the man flu, which I've repeatedly told her is, scientifically, a real thing.

Maybe I just need to mansplain myself better.

Autumn Poetry

know how smart I am?"

Frost was only poet to receive four Pulitzer Prizes

by Kirby McRae

This week's October poem selection is by one of our most famous poets - Robert Frost (1874-1963). He is also one of my favorites, since most of his work centers on his realistic depictions of rural life, particularly in New England. Considering that, you may be surprised to learn, as I was, that he was born in San Francisco. After his father's death when he was eleven, the family moved to Massachusetts to live near his grandfather. He lived in cities in the Northeast before moving to a small farm in Derry, New Hampshire, where he failed at farming but began to excel at poetry. He traveled extensively but always returned to one of the several New England farms he purchased over the years.

John F. Kennedy requested that Mr. Frost recite a poem at his inauguration, but during the ceremony, he was unable to read his own (new) work because of the sun's reflection on the paper, so he recited by memory "The Gift Outright", which he had written and published twenty years earlier.

Robert Frost is the only poet to receive four Pulitzer Prizes for Poetry and was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal by President Kennedy in 1962. Less than a year later he died and was buried at the Old Bennington

Cemetery in Bennington, Vermont. On his tombstone is the last line from his poem, "The Lesson for Today" (1942): "I had a lover's quarrel with the world.

October

by Robert Frost

O hushed October morning mild, Thy leaves have ripened to the fall; To-morrow's wind, if it be wild, Should waste them all. The crows above the forest call; To-morrow they may form and go. O hushed October morning mild, Begin the hours of this day slow, Make the day seem to us less brief. Hearts not averse to being beguiled, Beguile us in the way you know; Release one leaf at break of day; At noon release another leaf; One from our trees, one far away; Retard the sun with gentle mist; Enchant the land with amethyst. Slow, slow!

For the grapes' sake, if they were all, Whose leaves already are burnt with frost, Whose clustered fruit must else be lost--For the grapes' sake along the wall.

Senior Day at Alabama A&M!

The Muscle Shoals Area Chapter of Alabama A&M University Alumni Chapter would like to extend an invitation to all local area high school students and home school students in their junior or senior year of high school or junior college to "Start Here - go Anywhere" Saturday, November 5th for Juniors, Seniors & Community College Day.

Witness the Thrill of the Hill:

- See the Marching Maroon &
- Bands and Greek organizations Step Show
- At the new AAMU Event

- Onsite acceptance
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- basketball game!
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The bus will pick up from the Lauderdale County Courthouse in Florence, at 6 a.m. and at the Rural King in Muscle Shoals at 6:30 a.m. The plan is to return by

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Call (256)810-0154 for more information and to get your permission slip.



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Sudoku

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Fill in the blank squares in the grid, making sure that every row, column and 3-by-3 box includes all digits 1 through 9.

TV Hosts

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1. Big splash, in the audience

6. Diminish

9. Miss America's accessory

13. Wear away

14. V

15. Nile's mouth, e.g.

16. Enter password (2 words)

17. Poetic "even"

18. Misbehave (2 words) 19. *"Carpool Karaoke" James

21. *"The Tonight Show"

longest-serving host 23. Negative conjunction

24. One of Five Ws

25. Communications regulator, acr.

28. Australian palm

30. Branch of traditional medicine, adj.

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35. Monet's water flower

39. Indian side dish

43. Frequenter

44. Town news announcer

47. Recipe command

48. *Not Fallon

50. Like a "Vogue" ad

55. Am is to I as ____ is to

we

57. *Certain Barbarian's

namesake

60. *"Last Week Tonight

with John

63. Indifferent to

emotions

64. Tokyo, in the olden

66. Type of car

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37. Succotash ingredient

40. Like dental exam 41. Administer

46. Do like eagle

52. "Is it ____ wonder?"

53. Onion's kin

68. Not upright 69. Floor cleaner

70. Not mainstream

71. Gallup's inquiry 72. Word for a nod

73. Particular manner

DOWN

1. Electric swimmer

2. Gator's kin

3. NBC's peacock, e.g.

4. Deck out

5. Muscle to bone

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6. Balanced

7. *"Full Frontal"

Samantha

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45. Remnant of the past 49. *Regis and Kathie_

hummingbird, moving-

__ Kane of soap

25. Bo-Peep's sheep, e.g.

29. Politicians, for short

31. Opposite of riches

32. Plants and animals

33. Did not go out for

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36. Original matter,

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Theory

34. *Late "Live" King of

according to Big Bang

38. *Stewart's successor

42. Judge Judy's event

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opera fame

22. Pleasurable

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26. Wispy clouds

27. Request to Geico

24. Male witch

51. Critical situation 54. Hostile force

56. Black tie one 57. Football great Graham

58. Skin infection 59. Tiny river

60. "My bad!" 61. Whirlpool

62. Commuter line 63. Pine juice

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History

Iuka Mineral Springs Park once owned by the Iuka Normal Institute

The Iuka Mineral Springs Park located in the center of Iuka, famous for its healing waters, has not always belonged to the city of Iuka. This fact is buried deep in the history of Iuka and can be found in

of Iuka and car
the writings
of early
historians.
There are few
details as to
the original
transfer of
the beautiful
9 acres over
to the Normal
Institute
when it also
purchased
the Iuka
Spring Park
Hotel The hote



Charlotte's Attic
Charlotte Biggs

McVay Hotel. The hotel, located beside the railroad track; the land that surrounded the hotel including the old baseball park that still remains and is known as Jourdan's Pasture; and the small cottages that were between the hotel and the park all belonged to the Normal. Fortunately, early city leaders had the foresight to purchase the world-famous mineral springs park when the Normal closed. Their actions preserved the beautiful park for generations to come.

According to history, soon after Tishomingo County (containing what today is Tishomingo, Tippah, Pontotoc, and Itawamba counties) was formed in 1836, a few white settlers hearing of the wonderful waters near the Tennessee River moved here. Among the first to come was David Hubbard who bought land and built a home where Chief Iuka was supposed to have lived on what is now the Brinkley estate. The road to Eastport passed right in front of his house. Later a few other families moved in so by the time the railroad was projected in 1856, quite a little settlement was already formed. All lands in the new town were bought from the Hubbard estate and a town company consisting of Col Terry, Pres., A. T. Matthews, Marcus Cook, Dr. Ben Hodges, and others were formed. Terry surveyed all land bought from Lemuel Hubbard and this is known as Terry's survey, all other land was surveyed by David Hubbard, and this is the Hubbard survey.

At that time the Iuka Spring Park was donated to the town by the Hubbard estate. But sometime during the busy building of Iuka - its many hotels, schools, and stores - a mistake was made and the park had been allowed to be bought and sold with the Iuka Spring Park Hotel property. It then became the property of the Iuka Normal Institute.

The Normal Institute brought many students from all over the south and was instrumental in building Iuka. However, it closed its doors in February 1901. So, in 1901 the mayor and board of aldermen agreed to issue bonds to the amount of \$10,000 to mature in twenty years, bearing interest at 6 percent to purchase the park and to erect and equip an electric light plant.

Iuka was home to many institutes of learning but was known throughout the south as the home of the Iuka Normal Institute, which was organized on September 4, 1882, by Principals Dean and Neuhardt. Dean and Newhardt, graduates of Holbrooks Normal College of Lebanon, Ohio, and many other colleges bought the Iuka Male and Female Colleges and opened the first Normal College of any size south of the Mason-Dixon line. Newhardt had previously taught at a small normal in Humboldt, Tenn. and some of the faculty came with him. The school was years ahead of methods and ideas previously taught and from the first, the school prospered. Iuka was soon known far and near as an educational center. And from the beginning in Iuka had come the state Normals. When the Normal Institute outgrew the old female college building, it bought the Iuka Springs Hotel and Spring Park.

I recently found an original copy of the fourteenth annual catalogue of the Iuka Normal Institute. It was printed in Nashville, Tenn. by Marshall & Bruce Co. in 1895. The book contains outstanding photos, and the printing is remarkable considering it was printed so long ago.

There is no way I can share everything that is in the book, but it is fascinating to read what the students were required to study at the time: in the Department of Pedagogy subjects taught every term were English Grammar, Rhetoric, Natural Philosophy, Physiology, Higher Arithmetic Penmanship, Pedagogy, a three-fifths course in English Literature, and Book-keeping; in the Scientific Department - Geometry, Botany, Latin, Grammar, Trigonometry, Physiology, Caesar, debating, Vocal, Music.

The book also clearly indicates that the Spring Park belonged to the Normal Institute and told the chemical breakdown of the five springs that Chief Iuka and many before and after him had considered "Healing Waters."

I will attempt to publish some of the pages in the book to

show what education was like in 1895!

Note: I thought I was

educated but I had to look up "pedagogy" – the method and practice of teaching, especially

as an academic subject or theoretical concept. You learn something every day!



MINERAL SPRINGS PARK (NINE ACRES).

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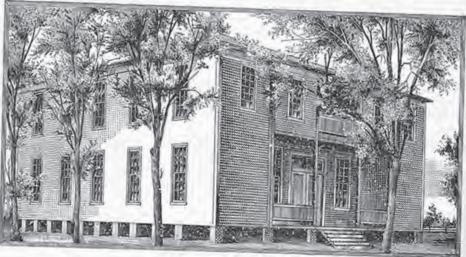
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FOURTEENTH ANNUAL CATALOGUE

10. Never demand work without a preliminary drill to remove doubts and difficulties.

With these principles thoroughly assimilated in his mind, the pupil teacher is put to actual work in teaching the various branches. He takes the place of the teacher, for the time being, and manages a class under the eyes of the principal and fellow teachers. His errors are then pointed out, and his excellencies commended. Every branch of study is here taken up, and the young teacher becomes at once a skillful master in his profession. This course of practical training in the several branches, forms, more than anything else, the prominent and distinctive feature of a normal training school. Based on reason and the principles of the mind, the young teacher becomes a skillful master in the art of teaching. He accumulates the experience of years in the schoolroom, bursts the shackles of ronline work and Jogyism, becomes original, and a living, acling self, and he knows how to develop and contrive methods suited to the particular



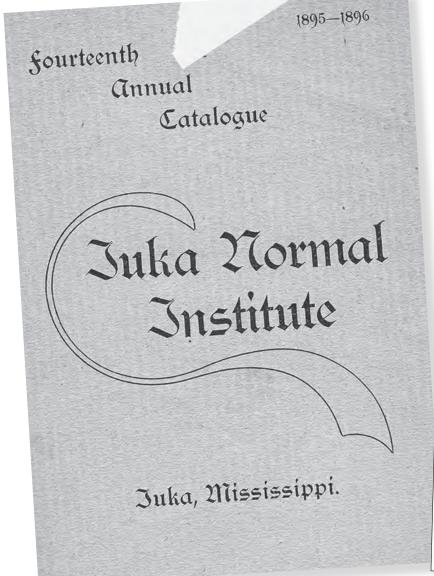
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schools he may teach. With him no experiments and failures need be made on precious, immortal souls, for he is master of his situation.

Every attention is given to the means and methods of organizing, governing and managing country district schools, as well as graded or union schools. Nothing essential to the skill and success of the teacher, from the forms of making contracts with directors, to the highest duty and responsibility, is omitted in the Training Department.

NEED.—A normal training school is as essential to the profession of teaching as a medical school is to the doctor. That this is true, no intelligent person of ordinary common-sense judgment dare deny.

The greatest need of the schools is thoroughly trained teachers—teachers who are competent to draw out, cultivate, and develop those latent capacities of knowing and doing, according to the laws and principles gov-



Lifestyle





The greatest among you will be a servant of all. Matthew 10:44

Honoring Bro. Ron Norvell, pastor of New Salem Baptist Church Pastor Appreciation Month

Tishomingo School, First Nine Weeks Honor Roll 2022-2023

Kindergarten

All A's: AubryElla Bogus, Bobby Broome, Hunter Carroll, Knox Evans, Luca Gentsch, Jaiden Gilland, Tye Jones, Millie Lambert, Hugh Maness, Thiago Manguila, Mason Marlar, William Nunley, Clark Payne, Thea Reid, Dalen Rogers, Gabriel Rutledge, Beck Selman, Lexi Serratt, Reed Sullivan, Harper Wilson, Bella Zafico

All A's and B's: Taelynn Randolph, Maelee Thorn, Paisley Whitworth

First Grade

All A's: Harley Barnett, Ariel Blackmore, Leighton Freeman, Gunnar Hodgin, Tayvon Johnson, Asher Kaye, Barrett Lambert, Jamie Lambert, Audrey Lowrey, Kasydi McQueen, Brenna Renfrow, Payton Robinson, Madison Smith, Wyatt Thigpen, Deaton Thorn, James Walden

All A's and B's, Josh Bunch, Rayleigh Cassity, Avah Hamm, Ramzie Irons, Devyn Keller, Marvin Marlar, Drake Taylor, Emmett Wright

Second Grade

All A's: Abel Bazzy, Madison Brown, Mila Gentsch, Cooper Locker, Easton Mann, Lee Nunley, Logan Robinson, Kenleigh Rogers, Kayse Thigpen, Sloane Triste

All A's and B's: Drusilla Alexander, Courtney Allred, Addisyn Barnes, Jaxton Carithers, Weston Dingler, Stephen Knighton Graves, Maylee McKee, Savin Moncrief, Riley Pounders, Brooklynn Russell, Jordan Smith, Caillie Taylor Colvin, Braxton Wells

Third Grade

All A's: Daniel Brock, Lilah Murphy, Eli Nunley, Lucas Payne, Jacson Smith

All A's and B's: KayBria Bennett, Khloie Bolding, Mina Davis, Robert Helton, Greyson Hudson, Drake Norigenna, Kayden Williams

All B's: Asher Dunman

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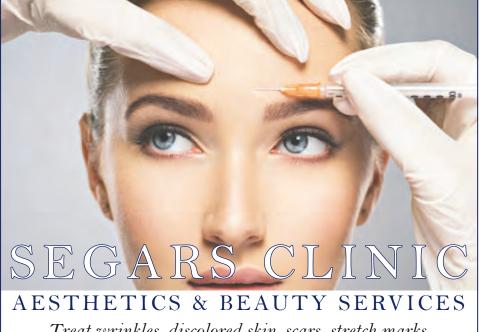
2022 Tishomingo County Fair Tiny Tot Show King & Queen Contest Saturday, October 22nd 0-23 months-2:00 p.m. 2 years-19 years-5:00 p.m. **Tiny Tot Show Categories:** King & Queen Categories: Girls & Boys Girls & Boys: Girls Only: 0-6 months 2-3 years 6-7 years 7-12 months 4-5 years 8-9 years 13-18 months 10-12 years 19-23 months 13-15 years 16-19 years On site registration only-October 22nd Event starts promptly at 2:00 p.m. at the Tishomingo County Fairgrounds \$10 registration fee Must be residents of Tishomingo County

Pageant wear or church dresses allowed in all categories

born a child

will be available at the entrance gate after \$10 registration fee is paid.





Registration begins at 12:00 noon on Saturday, October 22nd at the Fairgrounds. Forms

Entrants must be unmarried, never married or divorced, or marriage annulled, & never

Contestants having won cannot compete the following year in the same age category

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Tishomingo County Fair Youth Pet Show winners



Adaleah Pruitt won Best Groomed and Best Pet/Owner costume with her standard poodle Sapphira and their adorable poodle skirt and Pink Lady costumes, complete with pink painted toenails!



John Andy won Most Unusual Pet with his rooster, "Big



Emi Wallace won Smallest Pet with her toy poodle, Mini.

Bentley Holt was runner-up Smallest Pet with the bunny







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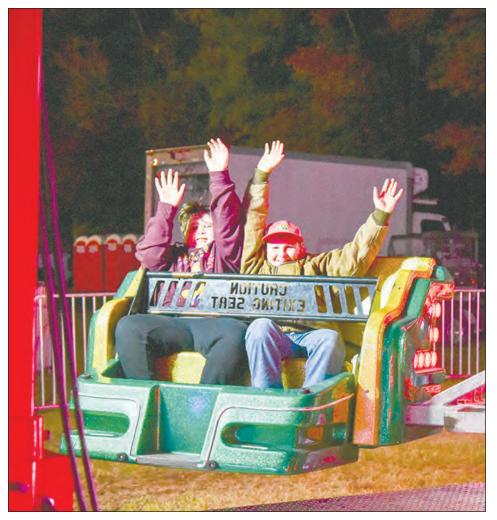
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Hands Up! Bentley Holt and a friend enjoy the rides at the Tishomingo County Fair.



Perfect attendance rewarded at Burnsville

October and November are Perfect Attendance Months at Burnsville School! Our 7th graders with perfect attendance last week were rewarded with snow cones and other prizes! Please make sure your student is at school every day to get rewarded for perfect attendance!

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IMS, IES Choirs sing at Tishomingo County Fair

Parents and grandparents piled into the exhibit area Tuesday night to hear the luka Middle School and luka Elementary choirs sing, below and above.



Tishomingo School, First Nine Weeks Honor Roll 2022-2023, continued

All A's: Brynlee Gattis

All A's and B's: Sarah

Bowling, Hunter Broad-

way, Jessie Dillard, Jac-

queline Hastings, Shiloh

Heil, Addisyn Ingellis,

Jaylee Jones, Annlee

Lowrey, Mia McCallus,

Keylan McKee, Addison

Parker, Gracie Reddell,

Sawyer Roberts, Reece

Robertson, Brodie Wilson

Fifth Grade

Fourth Grade

All A's: Haddie Johnson, Macy Gray, Mya Nunley, Allen Walden

All A's and B's: Zelida Alexander, Colton Lucas, Feylin Hodgin, Eva Ogo, Spencer Reid, Leland Taylor Colvin, Hadley

Sixth Grade

All A's: Marilyn Barnett, Harper Holt, Garrett Johnson

All A's and B's: Eli Buchanan, Bryson Crawley, Rilee German, Bentley Holt, Madisyn Lafnear, Bryson Looney, Kaydance Maxwell, Abigail McCraw, Alyssa Pope, Lathan Rogers, Carter Switcher, Kian Taylor Colvin, Addilyn Thompson, Easton Wilson, Stefen Wright

Seventh Grade

All A's: J.J. Lambert

All A's and B's: Kayleigh Brown, Lori Jo Lowrey, Eli Moore, Tristin Pounders, Preston Reddell, Rachael Rutledge, Kyland Sides, Brayden Southward, Kayce Stanford, Tallin Triste, Annsley Ware

Eighth Grade

All A's: Nathan Johnson, Adleigh Lambert, Elly Reno, Cela-Cathryn Taylor

All A's and B's: Riley Anderson, Brooklyn Calley, Madison Daily, Addyson Nunley, Jayden Paden, Ashland Phillips, Claire Ray, Lilly Swann, Tvler Tucker



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No stopping Pride of the Tribe

Once again, it seems that no one can stop The Pride of the Tribe. The

band traveled to Muscle Shoals, Alabama last Saturday. The band got all 1s in the rankings, as well as best in class drum major, best in class color guard, best in class percussion, 3rd place in class, and the most entertaining band of the night award. **Sports** This just gives them even more momentum as they head for state



Caleb Castile

championships in Pearl later in the month. As always, we wish Mr. Strom and his band the best of luck.

TC's playoff run ends at Caledonia

Sadly, volleyball's playoff run came to an end last week. On Tuesday, the Lady Braves took on Kosciusko in the 2nd round of the playoffs. It was pure domination, as they won the game 3-0. This sent them to the round of 8, where Caledonia awaited them.

Caledonia answered the call, jumping out and winning the first set. TC fought back, but after a couple of controversial calls the Lady Braves dropped set 2. Then in set 3, a couple of serve-receive errors and a couple more controversial calls ended the game, 3-0.

So the Lady Braves playoff run falls short in the round of 8. Nevertheless, this team was very impressive all through the season. With most of the team returning, the Lady Braves are sure to make another run at the 4A state championship next year.

Booker & Hemphill grabs highlight of Shannon game

Football falls at home once again, this time to the Shannon Pirates. The final score read 46-6. Shannon always seemed like they were one step ahead of the Braves all night. However, the Braves did manage to get a score. This was empowered by a miraculous grab by wide receiver Chase Booker at the end of the first quarter, followed by another excellent grab by wide receiver Landon Hemphill for a TD. The Braves will try to use the positives to gain momentum where they will host Mooreville in the final home game of the year.



Winter Meet the Braves October

Also, with winter sports starting soon, Tishomingo County High School will be hosting a Winter Meet the Braves. It will be held on October 25 at 6 p.m. in the TCHS Gymnasium.

Sports that will be recognized will be basketball, bowling, dance, E-sports, and soccer. It will be a free admission event, so make sure to bring a friend and kick off the winter sports season with a bang. For more information, please follow TCHS on all social media.

Halloween at TC starts this Friday!

Halloween is right around the corner. TC is gearing up to hand out candy. That will be this Friday October 21st in the cafeteria before the football game starts!

The TCHS Bravettes are hosting a Halloween dance this year! It will be on October 28th at the Tishomingo County Fairgrounds from 8 to 11. It is \$10 prepaid or \$15 at the door!

The TCHS Anchor Club is selling BOOgrams. They are \$1 and can be purchased from any anchor member.

Testing

The ACT is being given at TC this Saturday October 22nd. Remember if you are taking the ACT you must bring a reliable ID and your printed admission ticket. Optional things to bring would be a pencil, calculator, and a snack for during the break!

The PSAT is also being given this Tuesday at TCHS. If you are taking that please make arrangements with your teachers and be preparing!

Announcements

This Friday is our last home football game! In honor of that TC is having a pep rally! It will take place in the courtyard Friday morning. Approximately 9:24 to 9:40.

TC Baseball is selling Hams and Boston Butts. Please contact any baseball player or Diamond Club Booster to purchase one!! The prices right now are 35 for one or 60 for two!! Don't miss this opportunity!!!

Senior Spotlight

Annual Camp Meeting

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7 Powerful Ministries

This week's senior spotlight is Ansley Ray! Ansley is a senior basketball player and they get their season kicked off this Saturday and

the TC Jamboree. I asked Ansley how she has been preparing for this season. Ansley said that the whole team has really been preparing hard for this season. She said "we have been practicing harder, cheering louder, and just doing the little things better. We don't take days off, we are constantly

Ansley currently does not plan on playing basketball after high school.

"Don't get me wrong, I love basketball and I will always love the game, I just don't see myself playing at a higher level," she explained.

Ansley's advice to younger players is to do everything that you do to your very best ability. "Give 100% in everything that you do, and it will do you good in the long run. Just know



Ansley Ray

your role on the team, and never turn that light switch off."



Sophie Northington, Dixie Robinson, Emma Tennison, Ashlyn Butler prepped for the Pink

luka Middle School News

IMS Color Run this Friday

Following Fall Break, we saw the start of basketball season! The Pink Out Game is now on Monday, October 31! Wear your pink in support of breast cancer awareness!

This Friday, October 21, is the Color Run and all the other rewards. Those students who brought in money will have a fun-filled day!

Monday, Oct. 24, the basketball teams travel to Corinth for 5 p.m. games. Then, on Oct. 27, they head north to SCA for 5 p.m. games there.

October 24-28 is Red Ribbon Week. Students will dress up everyday based on anti-drugs slogans.

Saturday, October 29, is the annual

concessions and a costume contest! It is from 6-8:30 p.m., and the cost is \$5. Costumes are not required but are suggested, and naturally, this is for IMS students only!

The Scholastic Book Fair begins the week of Oct. 31 and lasts until Nov. 4. Family night is Tuesday, November 1; the fair will be open until 6 that night. Be prepared to pay sales tax this year.

Also, on Halloween night, the Chieftains will host the Belmont Cardinals starting at 5.

Remember to buy your yearbook online at Balfour.com!

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RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF IUKA, MISSISSIPPI

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of luka called a Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen at 6:00 p.m., on September 15, 2022 at the City Hall in luka, Mississippi; and WHEREAS, the purpose of the called meeting by the Mayor of the City of luka was to levy the ad valorem taxes for the next fiscal year, to establish a complete budget of the revenues, expenses and working cash balances of the City of luka for the next fiscal year;

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of luka has received the municipal revenue, expenses and working cash balances estimated for the next fiscal year and has prepared a statement showing aggregate revenues collected during the current fiscal year; and WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of luka has presented to the Board of Aldermen a

proposed budget of estimated revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023 and the Municipality has held at least one public meeting to allow the general public to comment on the taxing and spending plan incorporated into the proposed budget of the Mayor, according to law; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen met on the aforesaid date, and considered all of the above items and determined that the Mayor's recommendation as to the budget of estimated revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023, should be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Aldermen of the City of luka, Mississippi as follows:

1. The Board of Aldermen of the City of luka hereby resolves and approves the following as the official budget of estimated revenues and expenditures for the City of luka, Mississippi, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023:

BUDGET OF THE CITY OF IUKA, MISSISSIPPI OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND **EXPENDITURES FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2023**

GENERAL FUND	
REVENUES Balance at Beginning of Year: Total from all Sources Other than Taxation: Amount Necessary to be raised by Tax Levy: Total Available Cash and Anticipated Revenue from all Sources:	1,391,000 2,085,450 <u>303,500</u> \$3, 779,950
EXPENDITURES Judicial: Personnel Services: Consumable Supplies: Other Services / Contracts: Total Judicial:	15,090 15,600 1,000 \$31,690
General Government: Personnel Services: Consumable Supplies: Other Services / Contracts: Capital Outlay Debt Service: Total General Govt.	163,715 20,000 98,500 10,000 0 \$292,215
PUBLIC SERVICE: Police Department: Personnel Services: Consumable Supplies:	711,578.34 67,000

Debt Service:	12,045.12
Transfers: Total Police Department:	\$904,123.46
Fire Department: Personnel Services: Consumable Supplies: Other Services / Contracts: Capital Outlay: Debt Service: Total Fire Department:	258,701.84 40,500 29,000 5,500 -0- \$333,701.84
Street Department: Personnel Services: Consumable Supplies: Other Services / Contracts: Capital Outlay: Debt Service:	0 5,000 94,000 200,000 -0-

Personnel Services:	0
Consumable Supplies:	5,000
Other Services / Contracts:	94,000
Capital Outlay:	200,000
Debt Service:	-0-
Transfers:	-0-
Total Street Department:	\$299,000
Code Enforcer:	
Personnel Services:	23,010
Consumable Supplies:	2,500
Other Services / Contracts:	1,075
Capital Outlay	2,000
Total Animal Control:	\$28,585
Park & Cemetery:	
Personnel Services:	2,600
Consumable Supplies	21 500

Other Services / Contracts: 61,800 360,000 Capital Outlay: **Debt Service Total Park & Cemetery:** \$445,900 Consumable Supplies: Other Services / Contracts: 6,500

Capital Outlay **Total Library:** \$6,500

TOTAL GENERAL FUND: \$2,341,715.30 **Total General Fund Expenditures:** \$2,341,715.30 Balance at end of year: \$1,438,234.70 \$3,779,950.00 **Total Expenditures and Year-end Balance:**

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

REVENUES:	Culture & Recreation	Library	Fire	Neig Streets	hborhood Facility
Beginning Year Balance: Anticipated Revenues: Total available balance And anticipated revenues	\$24,000 8,000 s: \$32,000	\$7,450 34,163 \$41,613	\$35,000 687,703 \$722,703	\$392,000 231,000 \$623,000	\$37,000 6,200 \$43,200
EXPENDITURES: Fund Expenditures: Ending year balance:	5,900 26,100	34,163 7,450	687,703 25,000	211,000 412,000	6,000 37,200
Total Expenditures and	\$32,000	\$41 613	\$712 703	\$623,000	\$43 200

Total Expenditures and Year-end balance:	\$32,000	\$41,613	\$712,703	\$623,000	\$43,200
ENTERPRISE FUNDS	_	_		_	
		atural System	Wate Sewer		Sanitation
REVENUES:	Gui	oyston.	001101	oyoto	Garmation
Metered Sales/Collection Fees / Other Sources:		700,343	\$3,455,707		\$250,500
Grant:		0	0		0
Beginning year balance:	5	0,000	945,	,000	172,000
Total of all sources of reven	ue: <u>\$1,</u>	750,343	<u>\$4,400,707</u>		\$422,500
EXPENDITURES:					
Personnel Services: Consumable Supplies: Other Services / Contracts: Capital Outlay: Debt Service: Transfers: Total Fund:	5 1,3	33,489 55,800 886,300 5,000 0 0	462, 64, 324, 2,246 (3 ,09 6	000 000 6,175)	85,395 12,500 98,000 0 67,000 0 200,895
Year End Cash Balance:		69,754	1,304,000		221,605
Total Expenditures	_		,,,,,	,,,,,	,
And year-end balance:	\$1,	763,343	\$4,40	0,707	\$422,500
INDUSTRIAL PARK Anticipated Revenues: Beginning Balance: Total: Expenditures: Contractual/Other Services Capital Outlay: Debt Service: Fund Expenditures Ending Year Balance: Year End Balance:					60,000 47,000 107,000 1,000 0 54,500 55,500 51,500
INDUSTRIAL PARK/SHELTO Anticipated Revenues: Beginning Balance: Total: Expenditures: Contractual/Other Services Capital Outlay:					12,045 14,000 26,045 2,500 0
Fund Expenditures:					0

2. The Clerk of the City of luka is hereby directed to enter this budget upon the Minutes of the City of luka, to publish this Resolution one (1) time in the Tishomingo County News, and to provide copies to any entity required by law.

3. The foregoing Resolution was proposed on Motion made by Alderman Emily Bell seconded by Alderman Kay Perkins, and being put to a vote, received an affirmative vote of all members present as follows:

Alderman Kenny Carson	Voted - <u>Yea</u>
Alderman Emily Bell	Voted - Yea
Alderman Kay Perkins	Voted - <u>Yea</u>
Alderman Johnny Southward	Voted – <u>Yea</u>
Alderman Nancy Stripling	Voted -Yea
ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Board of Alderman of the City of luka	, Mississippi on
the 15th day of September 2022.	

CITY OF IUKA JOEL ROBERTSON, MAYOR ATTEST:

Tishomingo Countian plays an integral part in NEMCC's Campus Country

58,500

55,000

BOONEVILLE, MISS -- Northeast Mississippi Community College's Campus Country made a splash with its first Showtime of the year in the Hines Hall Auditorium on Thursday, September 29.

Other Services / Contracts:

Capital Outlay:

In front of a sold-out auditorium, the ensemble, including Tishomingo's own Andre Brock-Hunt, put on a 23-song set list that included such hits as "Goodbye Earl," by The Chicks, "Heads Carolina, Tails California," by Jo Dee Mesinna, "Somebody Like You," by Keith Urban, "Rising Sun," by All Sons & Daughters and many more chart-topping hits.

Northeast's Campus Country does not just perform country music but mixes American rock, gospel, bluegrass, pop and current Billboard hits into its set list along with many other musical

Returning members of the group for the 2022-23 academic year include Emari Cox of Baldwyn, vocals; Kailyn Freeman of New Albany, vocals; Isabel Goad of Glen, vocals; Reese Horton of Ripley, vocals; Andre Hunt of Tishomingo, drums; Reid Rollins of Saltillo, guitar; Shyanne Ross of Booneville, vocals; Rheagan Skelton of Potts Camp, vocals.

New members to the group are Gavyn Boone of Guntown, guitar/ vocals; Lillie Faith Childs of New Albany, vocals; Anna Grace Fiveash of Walnut, vocals; Brandon Ledbetter of Shannon, guitar/vocals; Jay McCurty of Lauderdale, keys/guitar/drums and Annabeth Moore of Booneville, vocals.

Year End Balance:

Following the success of its first Showtime of the year, Northeast Campus Country is set to play at the City of Booneville's Fall Festival on Saturday, October 15, at noon and at the college's

final Northeast NOW recruitment event on Friday, October 28.

KELSEY SMITH, CITY CLERK

23,545

Fans can catch the group on Thursday, November 10, at 7 p.m. for its second Showtime of the year in the Hines Hall Auditorium. Admission is just \$7 for the public, and Northeast employees and students get in free.

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feet from a railroad spike

leaving the said East line,

run South 86 degrees 10'01"

West for a distance of 91.99

feet to a railroad spike set in

the Easterly Right-of-Way of

as Oldham Road, having an

indicated Right-of-Way of 30

13'33" West for a distance of

172.21 feet; Thence run along

having a radius of 503.16, and

a chord bearing of North 31

degrees 31'04" west, (chord

length 145.13 feet) through

a capped iron pin set 127.04

feet, designated Point "B", for

an total arc distance of 145.65

Thence leaving the said Right-

feet to a capped iron pin set;

of-way, run North 54 degrees

36'39" East for a distance of

162.74 feet to a capped iron

23 degrees 59'56" East for a

capped iron pin set; Thence

run North 82 degrees 53'57"

to a capped iron pin set in a

wire fence; Thence run South

a capped iron pin set at 34.57

feet, designated Point "A", for

a total distance of 126.40 feet

to a capped iron pin set in the

aforesaid East Line of the said

South 00 degrees 10'20" West

a distance of 201.05 feet to the

Point of Beginning, containing

Ingress and Egress, retained by

the grantor, being 16 feet wide,

Beginning at a capped iron pin

Point "A" in the Easterly Line of

the subject parcel; Thence run

South 81 degrees 50'39" West

for a distance of 221.18 feet to

a capped iron pin set in the

aforesaid Easterly Right-of-

Way of County Road #255, at

designated Point "B"; Thence

run with the said Right-of-

Way chord bearing of North

38 degrees 45'05" West for a

Southeast Quarter; Thence

run with the said East Line

1.26 Acres, more or less

subject to an Easement for

and being more particularly

set at aforesaid designated

described as follows:

03 degrees 29'35" East through

East for a distance of 73.25 feet

pin set; Thence run South

distance of 56.83 feet to a

a curve concave to the left

feet; Thence run with the said

Right-of-Way North 23 degrees

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YARD SALE

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WHEREAS, on the 1st day of April, 2022 the Holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed Dean Morris, LLC as Substitute Trustee hv instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Instrument# 2022001299; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on the 27th day of October, 2022, I will during the lawful hours of between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the east front door Tishomingo County Courthouse, 1008 Battleground Drive at luka, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described land and property situated in Tishomingo County, Mississippi, to-wit: Parcel 1 description: A Part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 28, Township 3 South, Range 11 East, Chickasaw Meridian, Tishomingo County, Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at an

axle found by a fence corner

chord distance of 18.59 feet to a capped iron pin set; Thence leaving the Right-of-Way, run North 81 degrees 50'39" East for a distance of 231.94 feet to the said Easterly Line of the subject parcel: Thence run with the said Easterly Line South 03 degrees 29'35" East for a distance of 16.05 feet to the Point of Beginning. I will only convey such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 28th day of September, 2022.

Dean Morris, LLC Substitute Trustee 855 S Pear Orchard Rd., Ste. 404, Bldg. 400 Ridgeland, MS 39157 (318) 330-9020 CHG O6-13-20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF TISHOMINGO COUNTY, **MISSISSIPPI RE: THE LAST WILL**

AND TESTAMENT OF MACK LOYD WADKINS, **DECEASED** CAUSE NO. CV2022-000269

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS GIVEN that Letters Testamentary were on the 29th day of September 2022 granted the undersigned Executrix of the Estate of MACK LOYD WADKINS, Deceased, by the Chancery Court of Tishomingo County, Mississippi; and all persons having claims against said Estate are required to have the same probated and registered by the Clerk of said Court within ninety (90) days after the date of the first publication of this Notice, which is the 6th day of October 2022 or the same shall be forever barred. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 28th day of September 2022.

JEANETTE H. WADKINS **EXECUTRIX** PHIL R. HINTON, MSB#2480 ATTORNEY FOR EXECUTRIX 505 E. WALDRON STREET POST OFFICE BOX 1257 CORINTH, MS 38835 (662) 286-3366 CHG-O6-13-20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF TISHOMINGO COUNTY, **MISSISSIPPI RE: ADMINISTRATION OF** THE ESTATE OF JAMES WILEY PARKER, SR., **DECEASED**

CAUSE NO. 22-000135-B

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate of James Wiley Parker, Sr., deceased, that Letters of Administration have been on the 27th day of September, 2022, granted to the undersigned Administrator of the Estate of James Wiley Parker, Sr., deceased, by the Chancery Court of Tishomingo County, Mississippi, and all persons having claims against said Estate are required to have the same probated and registered, according to law, by the Clerk of said Court within ninety (90) days after the date of the first publication of this Notice, or the same shall be forever barred. WITNESS MY HAND this 27th day of September, 2022. /s/ Peyton Cummings Peyton Cummings, Administrator NICHOLAS R. BAIN BAIN BOWEN, PLLC 618 East Waldron St. Corinth, MS 38834 T: 662-287-1620 F: 662-287-1684 CHG O6-13-20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF TISHOMINGO COUNTY, **MISSISSIPPI** IN RE: LAST WILL AND **TESTAMENT OF RUTH V. STOCKWELL CIVIL ACTION NUMBER:** CV2022-000196-71 **NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

I, Joyce A. Bowling, have been appointed as Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of Ruth V. Stockwell by order of the Chancery Court of Tishomingo County, Mississippi, dated July 15, 2022, do hereby give notice to all persons having claim against the person or estate of Ruth V. Stockwell, to present said claim to the Chancery Clerk of Tishomingo County, Mississippi, for probate and registration within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 3rd day of October, 2022. /s/Joyce A. Bowling Joyce A. Bowling, Executrix James T. Belue Attorney for the Estate

belue@frontiernet.net

Telephone 662-438-7244 P.O. Box 553 Tishomingo, MS 38873 CHG O6-13-20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF TISHOMINGO COUNTY. **MISSISSIPPI RE: ADMINISTRATION OF** THE ESTATE OF JAMES WILEY PARKER, SR., **DECEASED** CAUSE NO. 22-000135-B **SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION** THE STATE OF **MISSISSIPPI TO: ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS** AT LAW OF JAMES WILEY

PARKER, SR. You have been made a Defendant in the Petition filed in this Court by Peyton Cummings, Administrator, and you must take immediate action to protect your rights. You are summonsed to appear and defend against said Petition to determine heirs at law of JAMES WILEY PARKER, SR. at 9 o'clock a.m. on the 18th of November, 2022 at the Tishomingo County Courthouse in luka, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for things demanded in said Complaint or Petition. You are not required to file and

answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said court, this the 29th day of September, 2022. TISHOMINGO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI PEYTON CUMMINGS **CHANCERY CLERK** BY: Paige Woodruff, D.C. NICHOLAS R. BAIN, MSB# 102334 BAIN BOWEN, PLLC

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TISHOMINGO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE TO BIDDERS INVITATION FOR BIDS 1620 PAUL EDMONDSON DRIVE

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Tishomingo County School District Board of Education CHG 013-20

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF TISHOMINGO COUNTY, **MISSISSIPPI** IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ALICE MILLSTEAD, DECEASED CAUSE NO. CV2022-000284-71 LANA MARIE ERNEST,

PETITIONER Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 12th day of October, 2022, by the Chancery Court of Tishomingo County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Executrix of the Estate of Alice Millstead, 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 October,

/s/ Lana Marie Ernest

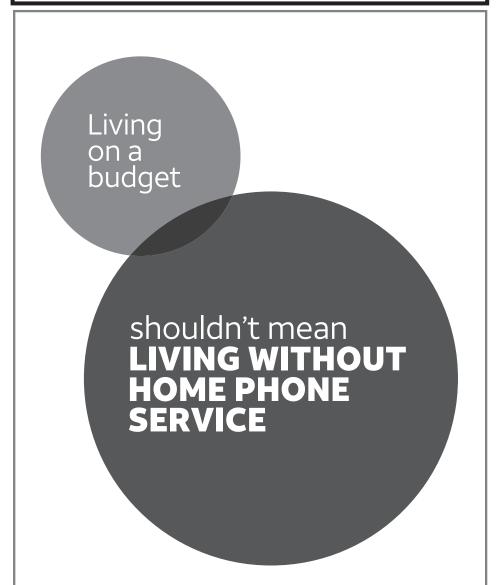
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Tishomingo School thanks donut lovers for fund-raising success

Tishomingo Elementary School recently sold Krispy Kreme donuts for a fundraiser with the goal of purchasing new playground equipment. The students sold an astounding 1,410 dozen of the delicious treats, which exceeded their goal!

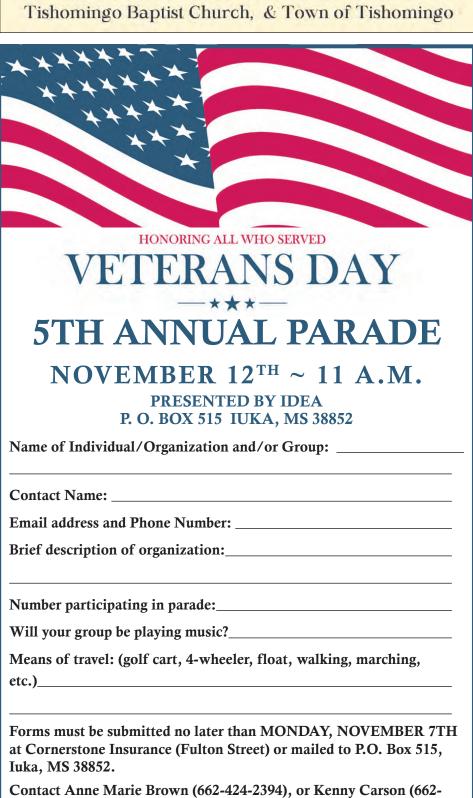
The overall top sellers for the event were H.D. Maness and Sophia Dallaire. Top sellers by grade levels were grades K-2 Jaxton Carithers; grades 3-5 Eli Nunley, and grades 6-8 Abigail McCraw.

Tishomingo Elementary would like to thank the students, parents, and community members for supporting our school and students.





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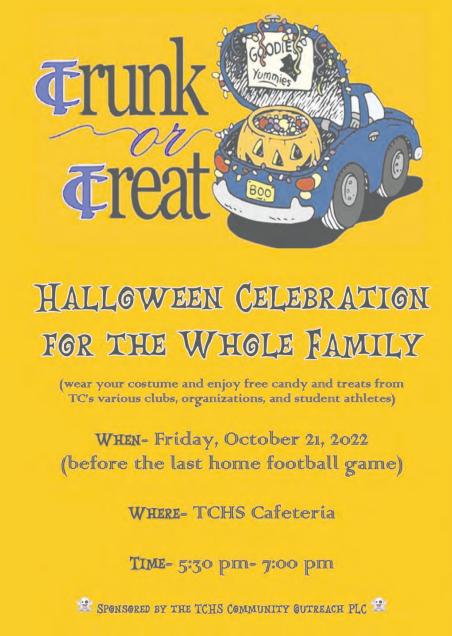


212-3702) for more information or email idea38852@gmail.com. PARADE ROUTE: from Iuka Middle School, turn left on Quitman, right on Wilmuth Street, right onto Eastport Street, right onto Pearl Street at Iuka Baptist, left on Front Street. Parade ends at Bancorp-

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Welcome to the 2022 Best of Tishomingo County Awards!

These awards celebrate and recognize the best our community has to offer. We have appreciated the support of our fellow businesses this past year, and we want to build up businesses throughout Tishomingo County, increase their visibility, and let them see how our readers appreciate them!

Do you love the tacos at a certain restaurant? Appreciate the service at your chosen grocery or boutique? Or have you been particularly impressed by a certain nurse going above and beyond to help your family in a time of need? Here's your chance to let them know, with your vote, how much good service means

to local consumers.

With The Vidette's thousands of loyal readers, Facebook page followers, and website visitors throughout the region and country, winning any category will be a huge boost to any business; a truly prestigious win.

Winners

Each winner will be presented with a professionally designed certificate, an attractive banner describing their win to display at their business, and a custom digital badge to add to their webpage or social media.

Ballots will be in the next edition, October 27th. Winners will be



announced in a special section the week of November 17th. Last day to accept votes will be November 3, 2022 at 5 p.m.

Readers/Voters

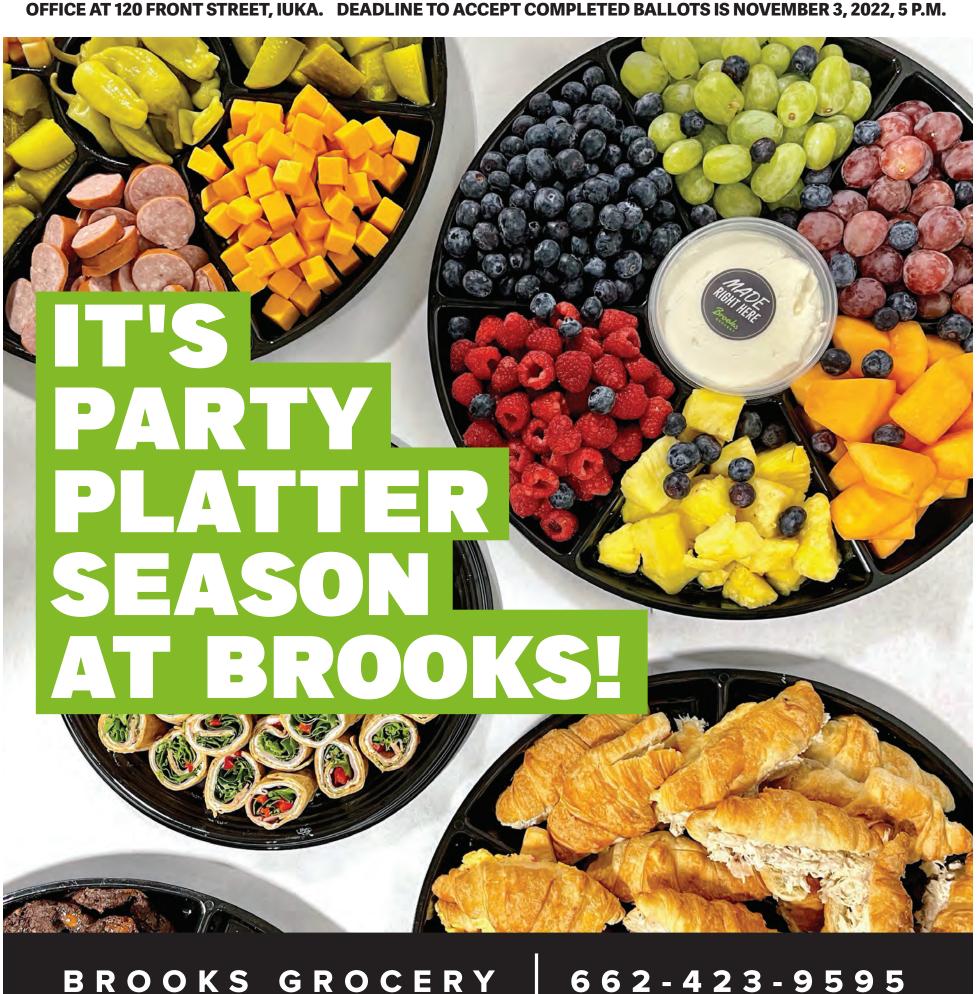
Readers are invited to vote for their favorites in dozens of categories. If you vote in at least 80 categories, your ballot will be entered into a drawing for three (3) \$100 cash prizes!

All ballots must be signed, and only one ballot per voter, please. No purchase is necessary, but you do have to vote for more than 20 categories for your ballot to be counted. Unsigned ballots will not be counted.

Entries are accepted on either THIS official newspaper ballot, or one printed from the official www.tishco.news site. Ballots can be mailed to P.O. Box 70, luka, 38852, or delivered directly to our office at 120 Front Street in Downtown luka.

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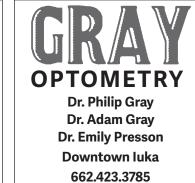




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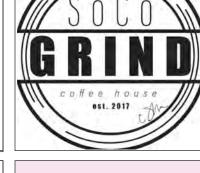
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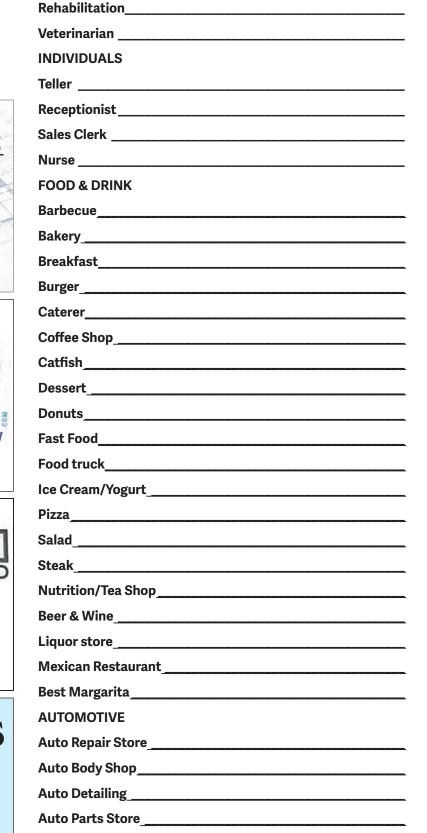




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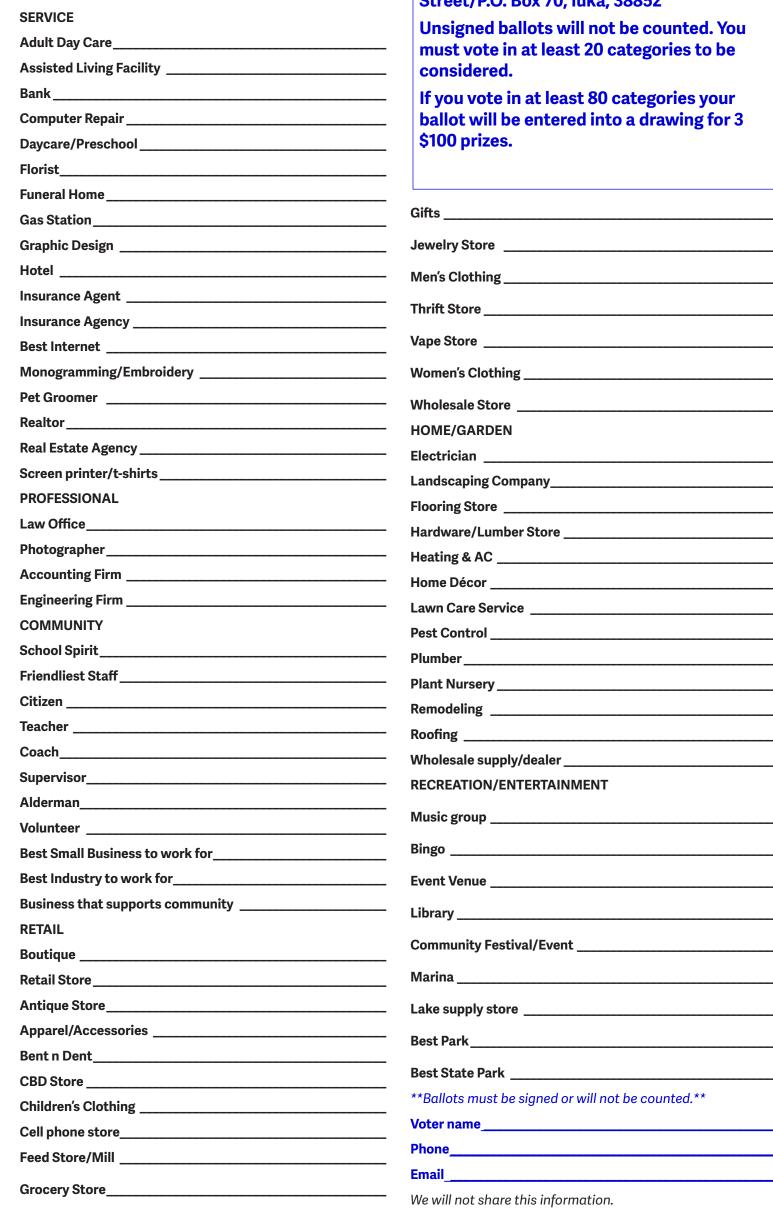
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Headstart students learn from the pros about trees

The Mississippi Forestry Commission brought special guest Smokey the Bear to Iuka Headstart to help them learn about trees and the importance of safety when it comes to forest fires!

In left photo are; Grayson Lahman, Marley Waddell, Laken Pittman, Zaylee White, Eli Cassity, Saige Stanley, Mavery Williams, Lillian Alexander, Kashron Bowling. In right photo are: in front, Jackson Shannon, Alli Durham, Jason Gray, Grayson Lahman, Kashton Bowling, Laken Pittman, Stormie Toth. In middle, Thomas Mason Taylor, Avery King, Dayceon Miller, Athena Osorio, Landon Stanfield, Waylon Owens, Kinleigh Ray, Ziva Cannon, Benjamin Harber, Mason

Swindle, Eli Cassity, Zaylee White, Saige Stanley, Marley Waddell, Tyler Drake Ligon. And in back, Ryan Bufkin, Melanie Blunt, Vickie Putnam, Edna Powell, Regina Aday, MFC— Andrew Tigner, Michael Crabb, Area Forester; Sam Warren, Smokey Bear, Hunter McKee. Not pictured: Chandler South, Wesley Park, and Bryan Malone.

CONSERVATION CORNER

National Forest Products Week celebrates renewable resource

by James L. Cummins

Most people do not stop to think about the important role that forest products play in our everyday lives, especially in Mississippi. From clean air, paper, buildings, bridges, energy, chemicals, and the jobs that support the production of all these things, our world depends on trees to provide for us.

National Forest Products Week will be observed October 16-22, 2022. This annual observance began on September 13, 1960, when Congress passed a joint resolution providing for the establishment of an annual National Forest Products Week to be held each year on the week beginning with the third Sunday in October. (Ironically, it was Representative E.L. "Tic" Forrester from Georgia who presented the

proclamation in the House for approval.) President Eisenhower signed the first proclamation 2 days later, while calling on the people of the United States to observe the week of October 16, 1960, "with activities and ceremonies designed to focus attention on the importance of our forests and forest products to the Nation's economy and welfare."

As a renewable and recyclable resource, wood is one of our nation's most environmentally friendly building materials. Wood fiber is used throughout our daily lives, from the paper we write on to the offices where we work. We value the beauty of wood in our furniture, in our homes, and in artwork that surrounds us. Today, modern technology and stewardship practices by federal, state, tribal, and private

landowners have improved the way we manage our natural resources so that forests can meet the needs of current and future generations.

During this time we should recognize the research that has been conducted by the Forest Service and Mississippi State University for more than 100 years in support of its mission to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the nation's forests. This research promotes the responsible use of this natural resource. New products and technologies developed through this research create jobs, especially in rural areas, and stimulate economic growth. Without these ongoing efforts to sustain our forests, we might not have anything to celebrate.

Perhaps the best thing about forest

products is that they come from a renewable and sustainable resource. Healthy, growing forests play a key role in absorbing carbon dioxide, releasing oxygen, and storing carbon over time.

So, during the week of October 16-22, take a look around, think about the many ways that our forests benefit you in your everyday life. National Forest Products Week is a time to recognize the many products that come from our forests, the people who make the products, the people who work in and manage our forests, and how all of it contributes to our lives.

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Bald Cypress seems symbolic of the South

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For the record, the official state tree of Mississippi is the magnolia. Off the record, when one thinks of trees and Mississippi, particularly our bottomlands, bald cypress comes to mind. Bald cypress, draped with Spanish moss and growing around an old bayou or along many scenic rivers and streams, seems symbolic of the South.

Bald cypress (Taxodium distichum) is a southern conifer most often found in wet sites, in pure stands, or mixed with tupelo gum. The fibrous, scaly bark of bald cypress is reddish brown in color and turns gray near the surface. The leaves of

bald cypress are ½" to ¾" long, linear to lanceolate, and two-ranked along branchlets that are deciduous along the leaves. It gets the name "bald" because it drops its leaves quite early in the season. Their early fall colors are tan, cinnamon, and fiery orange.

Bald cypress can reach heights of up to 150 feet and 20 to 30 feet wide. Older trees develop wide, spreading bases that narrows up the trunk with diameters as thick as 3 to 12 feet. Dendrological cross-dating has confirmed bald cypress at up to 1,700 years of age, and there are unconfirmed ages reaching 2,000 years. Bald cypress trees growing in water usually have a

fluted trunk. The roots produce cone-like projections above the water or soil surface known as cypress knees.

This tree is best suited to nutrient-rich sediments typical of the soils found around streams and river systems. Bald cypress grows slowly in the less-fertile soils of blackwater swamps and bayous. Bald cypress seeds will not germinate under water, and, on drier sites, competition from more shade-tolerant species limits bald cypress numbers.

Widely distributed throughout the southeastern United States, it can be found along the Atlantic coast from Delaware to southern Florida and along the Gulf Coast from Florida to southeastern Texas. Inland distribution includes the Lower and Upper Coastal Plains of the Mississippi Valley up into southeastern Oklahoma, southern and eastern Arkansas to the Missouri Bootheel and into southern Illinois and Indiana.

Known for its great durability, wood duck boxes and other bird houses that are subjected to weather are commonly made from bald cypress because no other wood can withstand such harsh elements. The heavy, rot-resistant wood is used for various other purposes including barrels, railroad ties, and shingles.

A favorite tree used in landscaping; bald cypress is being introduced into many parts of the world. In the wild, the seeds of bald cypress are eaten by numerous species including wood ducks, wild turkey, squirrels, and the black bear. Eagles and osprey often use older trees as dens and nest sites

Because the bald cypress grows along rivers and in wetlands, it plays a vital role in the wild. They provide crucial help in soaking up floodwaters, preventing erosion, trapping pollutants, and provide breeding grounds for frogs, toads, and salamanders.



