



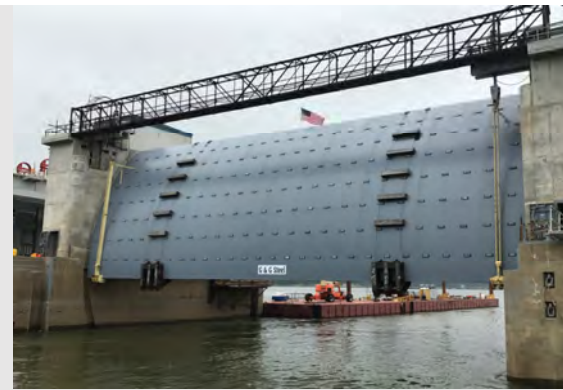
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Abbi Reed goes against Belmont's Carlie Brock and McKinley Bennett during last week's home game.

## Belmont, TC split wins in county rivalry games last Friday

by Pamela McRae

Last week was an exciting one for basketball in the county, culminating in the cross-county class between TC and Belmont.

In varsity action, the TC girls continued a hot week with a 72-61 win over Belmont. Standout Reese Moore had 29 points, 11 rebounds and 2 assists, reported Coach Bryan Middleton.

Senior Lila Sanderson also had a great night with 14 points, 13 rebounds and 4 steals against Belmont. Abbi Reed and Zarelli Ozuna added 9 points each, Reed proving her worth with multiple 3-pointers.

Earlier in the week, Reese Moore set a school record with 40 points against Saltillo in a 63-37 win, reported Middleton.

Monday night, the Lady Braves traveled to Heritage Academy in Columbus and won 54-44.



Belmont and TC boys go up for the ball during last week's game.

The boys were not so lucky, and came away from the Belmont game with a 75-60 loss, after a loss at Saltillo 85-36.

The TC JV teams did manage wins over Belmont: girls 21-9 and boys 45-26.



photo J. Charbauski

**County unity for veterans** - The TCHS and Belmont bands played together for the Veterans' Day parade in downtown Iuka.

## Great turnout for IDEA Veterans' Day parade Saturday despite chilly temps

The IDEA group would like to thank all of its members and volunteers who made this year's Veterans Parade a success. Despite a cold and windy atmosphere, we had

more than 65 entries in the parade to honor our Veterans.

We would like to thank Terrie Whitehurst member of IDEA and mother of Veterans, her son Jake and daughter-in-

law Thelma. She graciously allowed us access and helped us prepare a warm space for the Veterans and their families to

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## Group collecting donations for Tri-State Cross for Christ

Organizers are making progress toward building a giant cross on Highway 72 with donations from local groups and churches.

According to organizer Brian Grissom, more than \$30,000 in donations have been received so far, from various groups and churches for the construction a huge cross on Highway 72.

"The cross will be at 890 O. E. Barrett Road, visible at the intersection of Highways 72 and 25, as a declaration that the people of Tishomingo County and the Tri State area believe in



Wheels of Northeast Mississippi members Billy and Faye Phillips present a donation to the cross project. Also pictured are Cross project organizers Brian Grissom, Ronny Stricklen and Mikey Shea.

God and the power of prayer," according to the Facebook page for the project.

The group has plans

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**Spamalot a lot of fun at TCHS**- The Lady of the Lake (Tate Reece) manages to charm Sir Galahad (Keandre Wicks) into joining King Arthur's knights of the Round Table in the Camelot spoof by Monty Python. See review on B1.



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# Memphis man sentenced to 12 years after death of father and child on Pickwick Lake

SAVANNAH, Tenn. — A Memphis resident pleaded guilty to two counts of vehicular homicide by intoxication charges from a boating collision on Pickwick Lake which resulted in two fatalities.

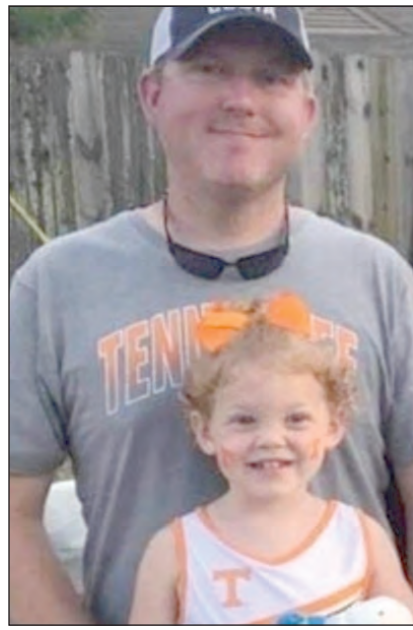
On November 14, 2022, 34-year old Matthew Swarengen pleaded guilty to two counts of vehicular homicide by intoxication charges at the Hardin County Courthouse. Swarengen is sentenced to serve 12 years in jail, have his driver's license revoked for three years, and have his vessel operating privileges revoked for ten years. Morgan Reynolds, Assistant District Attorney with the 24th Judicial District Attorney's office, prosecuted the case.

On August 15, 2020, Swarengen operated a personal watercraft (PWC) in Dry Creek that collided with an unsuspecting PWC occupied by David Carter (40) and his daughter, Olivia Carter (6). The collision resulted in the death of David and Olivia.

Nicole Carter, the wife of David

and mother to Olivia, stated, "Today is closure for our family and friends. It's been a long, emotionally draining two years for all of us, but we are thankful for the TWRA investigators, district attorney, witnesses, and everyone involved who helped bring justice for David and Olivia. What happened to David and Olivia could have been prevented. What started as a fun, family day out on the water ended in the worst way possible, all because someone decided to consume alcohol and then operate a watercraft. This one terrible decision forever changed and impacted the lives of so many people. You may think this could never happen to you, but trust me, it can. I am begging you; please do not operate any form of motorized vehicle while under the influence of alcohol. The damages left behind will forever impact our daily lives."

The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency wants to remind the public about the dangers of boating under the



David and Olivia Carter

influence. Alcohol is the leading contributing factor to recreational boating deaths. TWRA officers are constantly on patrol, looking for impaired operators.

## Midway VFD Pecans are here!

Just in time for holiday baking, pecans have arrived from Schermer Company and are ready to sell: \$10 per bag

Pieces (16 oz) and halves (16 oz); milk chocolate (10 oz) and chocolate clusters (10 oz) are available at Cox's Hwy 25 Truck & Trailer Parts 2256 Hwy 25 Iuka. (Old B & G Equipment); Hairport Salon in Iuka; Cadence Bank, Tishomingo location or Debbie Trussell 662-423-3916.

## Republicans holding Thanksgiving Potluck

The Tishomingo County Republican Party will not be holding a regular meeting this month; however, they will be holding a potluck gathering at the Tishomingo City Hall at 6:30 on Tuesday November 22nd.

Members and friends are encouraged to attend and bring a dish or dessert with plans to fellowship and break bread together.

The "10 Minutes of Hope" will be presented by Pastor Paul Epler of

Saucer Creek Church of Christ and there will be a VERY SPECIAL GUEST speaker.

The Tishomingo County Republican Party would like to wish every person in our county a blessed Thanksgiving Holiday, a very blessed and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We thank God for you and for this wonderful county.

Contact Chairman Ken Dulaney at krdulaney@gmail.com for more information.

## Cross project, continued from front

and a builder chosen, and is now collecting donations to pay for the estimated \$175,000 monument. The recent completion of a similar cross in

Starkville cost a total of \$184,000, said Grissom. The group needs \$100,000 before the builder will order the materials, he confirmed.

## Happenings

**Belmont Holly Days - Christmas Open House November 20th.** Local stores will be open on Sunday for goodies and sales! Don't miss it!

**Tishomingo Community Thanksgiving** - Everyone is invited out next Tuesday night at 6:30, November 22nd to Carter's Branch Baptist for the annual Tishomingo Community Thanksgiving service. The Tishomingo Citizen of the Year will be announced, there will be wonderful community worship and great food afterwards.

**Free Thanksgiving Meal** - Join friends and family of Lucas Russo Thanksgiving day at noon at Iuka Church of Christ for a Thanksgiving meal in memory of this fine

young man. See ad in this issue.

**Iuka Christmas Tree Lighting** - Gazebo - November 29th

**Christmas parades:** Iuka-December 2nd

**Tishomingo Christmas Parade** - December 3rd. Line up at 5 p.m. Parade at 6 p.m. Call 279-3534 for information.

**Belmont Christmas Parade** - Tuesday, December 6th, 6:30 p.m.

**Dickens Christmas** - December 16th

**First Day Hike** - January 1st, 2 p.m. at Tishomingo State Park. Meet at the Nature Center to hike with the group, if you like. Free event, and free entry to the Park.

## Corrections



In honor of James Avon Lovelace of Burnsville U. S. Army - Vietnam

We accidentally put "in memory" in the Veterans Edition. Please accept our apology.



In honor of Jerry Skinner US Air Force 1962-1966

## Courthouse closed

Courthouse will be closed on November 24th, November 25th, December 23rd, December 26th, and January 2nd, landfill will run as normal

## Holiday Deadlines/ Schedule

Thanksgiving week deadline: Monday 3 p.m. for all ads, legals, news

Office closed November 24th-25th

Christmas Greetings Edition

Deadline for greetings/advertisements:

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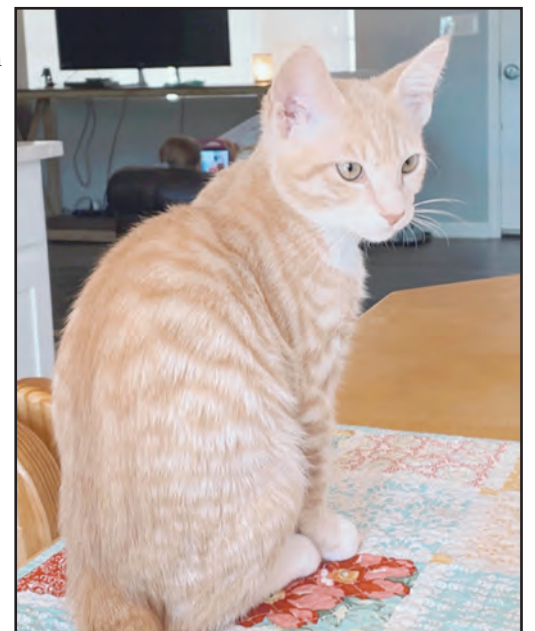
Where pets are family, too!

This week's Pet of the Week is Curtis Cassity. He is a very special kitty with a great personality. His humans are Justin & Amanda Cassity. Curtis also has three human siblings Rayleigh, Madalyn, and Eli. He loves his family very much and always purrs. Curtis enjoys cuddling and napping. He is a great fly hunter and keeps his home free of pest. Every morning he expects you to turn on the water faucet so he can have some fresh water. He does get feisty at times and runs to jump on Madalyn which pushes her down. He seems to think its funny and Madalyn gets mad but is quick to forgive him. When he is out of food he lets you know by moving his bowl around the floor and meowing. Curtis may be a little spoiled but his family wouldn't have it any other way. He is a good kitty and an important member of his family.

All cats like Curtis thrive in a loving home. Giving your cat the best also involves the best veterinary care. Cats need vaccinations, deworming, and parasite prevention. Dr. Jim Perkins is available to examine your kitty and make sure they are healthy. Call the office for an appointment today and give you pet the best.

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## Iuka's vice mayor: the real Ole Miss MVP

I have committed a sin. One that, in the South, is barely forgivable. Even though I am a former season ticket holder



**The Local Tourist**  
**Mary Beard Grodsky**

to Ole Miss, my two boys have never been to an SEC football game. Now that they are eight and six and actually understand the game of football, we were out of excuses not to go. I had told my husband that this had to be the season where we introduce them to all things SEC football. Even if that meant we (gulp) went and visited my nephew at Mississippi State.

When Kenny Carson put on social media that he had extra tickets to an upcoming Ole Miss game, I immediately responded. My New York father-in-law would be visiting that weekend and he loves to go to football. The first time we ever took him to The Grove many years ago, he had commented that it couldn't be much different from NFL tailgating. And yes, I willingly married into a Mets/Jets family, but that's a story for another day.

Kenny immediately set us up



with 5 tickets to go to the game. While I offered to pay him, he insisted he was gifted the tickets and needed seats filled. Since it was against Tulsa, I guess there wasn't mass hysteria over getting into the game. However, we were still excited to go. We coordinated a location for a meeting to collect the tickets on game day.

As we waited for Kenny to arrive, I explained to my 8-year-old that Kenny was Vice Mayor for Iuka. He asked, "Will he have bodyguards when he comes to meet us?" I looked at my son as if he was on another planet, but then remembered how I told

him about meeting Michael Bloomberg in New York City when he was mayor (and his entourage of security). So, I guess the bodyguard question is not so unexpected I suppose, but as Kenny explained to my son, all it takes is a cup of coffee and the gift of gab to be Vice Mayor. While Kenny was being humble about it, and without fully knowing what the day-to-day responsibilities are for the Vice Mayor of Iuka, I do know it takes an incredible amount of time and love for the town. And, nobody loves Iuka (and Ole Miss) more than Kenny.

When Kenny arrived, he began flipping pages in a



notebook, which had a huge list of names, locations for pickup, and ticket allotments. When I asked him what he was doing with all the information, he explained that he had coordinated giving away 126 Ole Miss football tickets to the game. The list had details on where tickets were, how many were available, where they were located, and how he was going to get them to recipients. I kid you not, this would have been a full-time job for me trying to keep all of that organized. As I've spoken to other people about how Kenny coordinated this, it's apparently nothing compared to the work he did

when Ole Miss won College World Series in Omaha.

Kenny encouraged my sons to stay until the very end as the players would throw items into the stands. They took his advice and my oldest caught a used sweatband (still damp, mind you). Needless to say, that sweatband magically got lost as soon as we got home.

As I saw people tag Kenny on social media throughout the day thanking him for the experience, I could see how many memories he created for so many people that day. Iuka and Ole Miss are fortunate to have this super fan of both.

## End of autumn poems with Joni Mitchell

by Kirby McRae

Well, it's time for Autumn poems to come to an end since we are into November, overnight lows are in the 20s, and Thanksgiving is next week! But before we end this I need to remind you that the art of poetry is not easy, and the poems we read are not easily written. As William Faulkner told The Paris Review in 1956 - "Maybe every novelist wants to write poetry first, finds he can't, and then tries the short story, which is the most demanding form after poetry. And, failing at that, only then does he take up novel writing." This after starting with two books of poetry that failed, pushing him to the short story, then novels, and eventually the Nobel Prize for literature.

We need to appreciate good poetry, which reminds me that I should thank my teachers, especially Ms. Ruth Dawson and Anne Taylor, for trying their best to get us crazy students to pay attention and accept good literature. You may not have thought so then, but at times we were listening.

I will end the Autumn poems with one set to music, a fine song written by Joni Mitchell and originally recorded by Tom Rush in 1968. He first took the song to Judy Collins but she was not interested in it, so he changed the pronouns and recorded it himself. Ms. Mitchell was from Canada but settled down and completed some of her most acclaimed songs while living in Los Angeles' Laurel Canyon area in the early '70s. The Canyon was the center of counterculture attitudes in the mid-60s and early '70s, with residents such as Cass Elliot, Jim Morrison, The Byrds, Buffalo Springfield, the Eagles, Neil Young, Brian Wilson,

Jackson Brown, James Taylor, and many more. In fact, the house she lived in was immortalized in the Crosby, Stills, and Nash song "Our House" (1970,) written by her then-lover Graham Nash.

I promise the words to this poem will move you out of Autumn and toward Winter - after reading them find Tom Rush on Youtube, Spotify, or however you listen to music and see what you think.

### Urge for Going

Joni Mitchell

I awoke today and found  
the frost perched on the town  
It hovered in a frozen sky  
then it gobbled summer down  
When the sun turns traitor cold  
and all the trees are shivering in a naked row...

I get the urge for going  
But I never seem to go

I get the urge for going  
When the meadow grass is turning brown  
And summertime is falling down and winter is closing in

I had a man in summertime  
He had summer-colored skin  
And not another girl in town  
My darling's heart could win  
But when the leaves fell on the ground  
And bully winds came around  
and pushed them face down in the snow...  
He got the urge for going  
And I had to let him go

He got the urge for going  
When the meadow grass was turning brown  
And summertime was falling down and winter was closing in

Now the warriors of winter give a cold triumphant shout  
And all that stays is dying all that lives is gettin' out  
See the geese in chevron flight  
Flapping and racing on before the snow...  
They've got the urge for going  
And they've got the wings to go

They get the urge for going  
When the meadow grass is turning brown  
And summertime is falling down and winter is closing in

I'll ply the fire with kindling now  
I'll pull the blankets up to my chin  
I'll lock the vagrant winter out  
And I'll bolt my wandering in  
I'd like to call back summertime  
And have her stay for just another month or so...  
But she's got the urge for going  
So I guess she'll have to go

She gets the urge for going  
When the meadow grass is turning brown  
And all her empire's falling down  
And winter's closing in.

And I get the urge for going  
When the meadow grass is turning brown  
And summertime is Falling Down.

## Old Man (in) Winter

It's the middle of November here in beautiful, crime-free Iuka and it's already too cold for me to be expected to attend any event where I'm not contractually obligated to show up. The City of Iuka held its Veterans Day parade this past Saturday. The high was 38 degrees. My thought was, "Haven't we asked enough of our war veterans?"



**Town Cryin's**  
**Nate Clark**

The forecast was windy with a slight chance of double pneumonia. Wouldn't it be better to send our military heroes to Panama City Beach for a long weekend than to make them ride on the back of an open-air convertible on a day where (and I looked this up) Iuka was only 10 degrees warmer than Siberia, Russia? We need to switch Veterans Day out of this occasionally frigid month and into a warmer, fun month. I'm thinking we swap Veterans Day on November 11th with Cinco De Mayo on May 5th. Veterans deserve flip-flop weather. They deserve a day at the lake when the lake isn't frozen over. Those men held the North Koreans at the 38th Parallel, don't give them weak hot chocolate - give them strawberry margaritas!

The temperatures are so low that we are a forty-percent-chance-of-rain day away from an epic bread and milk run on Brooks Grocery the likes of which has never been seen. For those of you who are from states that normally see

temperatures that go south of forty, first, I'm sorry you had to experience that. In a just world, no human being would have to live any further north than Kentucky. Settlers should have left Ohio and above to the wolves and snow. That way those kids who were too unathletic for football wouldn't have been forced to play hockey. Anyway, for you Northern transplants, when we Southerners think snow is coming we buy bread and milk in quantities that baffle social scientists. I don't care if you have lactose intolerance or a gluten allergy, you are going to be chasing that bread and milk with a fistful of probiotics. Seriously, y'all, it'll be three or four weeks before the shelves get sufficiently restocked so you could make a good batch of French toast.

Another thing former northerners living in and around Tishomingo County need to know about our winters is that, if our community roads ever do get icy, no one who grew up here knows how to drive on ice. Now, that will not stop every man in Tishomingo County from driving on the ice first thing in the morning in an effort to "check out the roads." The men will do this even if their job has already announced it is closed for the day - that's just more time to drive on roads you don't know how to drive on. The men will drive on icy roads and complain about all the "idiots" out there driving on the icy roads. After every good ice storm, expect the county to be down about of its mailboxes. And watch out when you are driving on hills because sleds suddenly have the right of way on any snowy incline in Tishomingo County. Local kids will flock

over a steep hill covered with snow even on busy roads like Highway 25 like deer if somebody planted corn in the middle of the Natchez Trace. I don't make the rules, folks, I just try to survive them.

The craziest thing about these cold temperatures may be that it's just as likely as not to be 65° one day in the next

couple of weeks. We are used to wild temperature swings, even if our sinuses are not. I, for one, won't be taking the next warm weather for granted. Until then, I'm going to make a fire, wrap up in a blanket, and take a nip from my strawberry margarita.

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## Earline Wilson

Rosa Earline Wilson, 75, of Iuka, Mississippi, died Thursday, November 10, 2022, at North Mississippi Medical Center in Iuka. Earline was a member of First Missionary Baptist Church in Iuka. She was formerly employed at Genesco Shoe Factory in Iuka, as well as several other factories throughout her lifetime. She enjoyed family gatherings and shopping, and she loved watching soap operas. She is survived by two sons, Larry Martin and Terry Martin; one daughter, Barbara Goodwin; one brother, Ronnie Martin; nine grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, R. C. Martin, Sr. and Virgie F. Tye Martin; two brothers, Robert Martin, Jr. and Billy Ray Martin; and an infant son, Johnny Martin. Cutshall Funeral Home of Iuka, Mississippi is entrusted with arrangements. Funeral services are scheduled for 1:00 p.m., Saturday, November 19, at First Missionary Baptist Church in Iuka. The body will lie in state at the church beginning at 11 a.m. on Saturday. Services will be officiated by Pastor Jon Taylor. Interment will follow in Shady Grove Cemetery. Visitation is scheduled for 4 until 9 p.m., Friday, November 18, at Cutshall Funeral Home in Iuka. An online guestbook can be accessed at [www.cutshallfuneralhome.com](http://www.cutshallfuneralhome.com).



## Madgie Linville

Madgie Darlene Linville was born November 2, 1966 in Florence, AL the daughter of the late William and Barbara Yerby Linville. Madgie departed this life on November 14, 2022 in Iuka, Mississippi at the age of 56 years, and 12 days.



She is survived by spouse, Stanley Brumley of Burnsville, Mississippi; sons, Troy Jones and wife Tiffany of Killen, Alabama, William Reaves of Florence, Alabama, and Michael George and wife Tabettha of Florence, Alabama; daughters, Tonya Parker of Iuka, Mississippi, and Misty Rickman and husband Jason of Corinth, Mississippi; sister, Ginger Bowen of Birmingham, Alabama; brothers, Wayne Linville of Florence, AL, and Robert Linville of Florence, Alabama; grandchildren, Elizabeth Jones, Cyllie Stevens, Bentley and Troy A. Jones, Landon and Nicholas Lin Reaves, Dalton, Malicia, Dacota, and Dawson George, Kaley Ferguson, Raylee Holly, and Anna Harp and husband Drew; and great-grandchildren, Adam and Axel Harp.

In addition to her parents Madgie is preceded in death by a brother, Mike Linville. Visitation will be held on Friday, November 18, 2022 from 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm service time at Shackelford Funeral Directors in Collinwood, Tennessee.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, November 18, 2022 at 3:00 pm at Shackelford Funeral Directors in Collinwood, Tennessee. Burial will follow in the Railroad Cemetery at Iron City, Tennessee with Shackelford Funeral Directors of Wayne County assisting the family.

## Hugh Van Presley

Hugh Van Presley, age 80 passed away Tuesday, November 08, 2022. He was a member of Iuka Baptist Church in Iuka, Mississippi. He is survived by his wife Cathy Presley; son, Jamie Presley (Rebecca); grandchildren, Grace Presley, Camden Presley, Jake Presley; great grandchild, Oakleigh; sister, Charlotte Swimmer; nieces, Terri South (Mark) and Rebecca Smith (Brian); special aunt and uncle, Thurman and Ocene Humbers. He was preceded in death by his parents, Van Taylor Presley and Mona Vetrass Presley; daughter, Amanda Presley. Memorial services were held Saturday, November 12, 2022, at Ludlam Funeral Home Iuka, Mississippi. Ludlam Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Hugh Presley. You may leave online condolences to the family at [www.ludlamfuneralhome.com](http://www.ludlamfuneralhome.com)



## End of year local giving opportunities

Looking for somewhere to give but don't know where to? Listed below are some great organizations and groups to fundraise for and give back to. Each of these organizations listed have a significant cause they are benefiting towards.

These organizations are dedicated to helping the community and those in need. There are many organizations to choose from and if you would like to get involved or get in contact for more information on giving, the contact information for each organization can be found below along with the benefit factor of each.

**Pilot Club**- Brain Health Contact: Shelia Thorne/ Beth Davis Facebook: Pilot Club of Iuka

**Boys & Girls Club** - Tishomingo County Children Contact: Liz Cummings Facebook: Boys and Girls Club of Iuka: Teen Center/ 662-423-3155

**Junior Auxiliary**- Coats for Kids/Help single mamas get on their feet/ Angel Tree Contact: Jennie Tucker Facebook Page/Email: Junior Auxiliary of Tishomingo County [tishcoja@gmail.com](mailto:tishcoja@gmail.com)

**Backpack Ministry**- Gives food for kids in need/ Weekend packages Contact: Salome Williams Facebook: Backpack Ministry of Tishomingo County

**Rotary Club** Contact: Ronny Stricklen/ Donnie Brown Facebook: Rotary Club of Iuka

**I.D.E.A** (Iuka Development & Economic Association) Community Activities Jaybird markets/Glow Walk/Veterans Parade/ Christmas Dickens/ Business promoting other businesses Contact: Sara Cooley Norman Facebook I.D.E.A (Iuka Development & Economic Association)

**TAC Tishomingo Arts Council** - Promotes Art Contact: Brent Bonds Facebook/Email: Tishomingo Arts Council/ [tishcoarts@gmail.com](mailto:tishcoarts@gmail.com)

**20th Century Women's Club** Contact: Terrie Whitehurst, Jo Russell

## DEATHS

Kristy Runion, 47, died November 13, 2022. Magnolia Funeral Home  
Carla Renee Vaughn McCalmon, 56, Marietta. Died November 13, 2022. Deaton  
Richard Gasaway, 69, Tishomingo. Died November 12, 2022. Deaton  
Deborah Denice Price McLemore, 71, Iuka. Died November 11, 2022. Cutshall  
Earline Wilson, 75, Iuka. Died November 10, 2022. Cutshall  
Hugh Presley, 80, Iuka. Died November 8, 2022. Ludlam  
Lesla Voyles, 64, died November 9, 2022. Deaton  
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The family of Carolyn M. Page would like to express our sincere thanks for the many words of comfort, prayers spoken, and love shown to us at the loss of our mother. The outpouring of love through your visits, texts, phone calls, food and beautiful flowers was greatly appreciated. Thank you for honoring our mother an supporting our family as we grieve our loss, yet celebrate her life.

Sharon and Marvin South Family  
Richard Page Family  
Scott and Courtney Page Family  
Linda Starkey  
Carolyn Page

## Richard Gasaway

Richard L. Gasaway, 69, of Tishomingo, passed away Saturday, November 12, 2022 at NMMC in Tupelo, Mississippi. He was born in Dennis, Mississippi to Alfred and Vernell Lewis Gasaway who preceded him in death. He worked in maintenance for years and attended Dennis First Baptist Church.

Funeral services were Monday, November 14th at Deaton Funeral Home Chapel, Belmont, Mississippi with Bro. Jerry George officiating. Burial in Joel Cemetery. Deaton Funeral Home, Belmont, Mississippi was in charge of arrangements.

He is survived by his wife of nearly 40 years, Bonnie Gasaway; his brother, Gary Gasaway (Nessa); three sons, Lee Morphis (Candace), Bryan Morphis and William Morphis (Beth); six grandchildren and five nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Bob Massey, Lanny Gasaway, Scotty Gasaway, James Gasaway, Braden Pardue and Farron Credille. Ken Ward will serve as honorary pallbearer.

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## Steel Magnolias opens this week at Jacinto

Following up on Jacinto's hugely successful first-ever theatrical production in June, Jacinto and the Tishomingo Arts Council have joined together again to bring to the stage the always popular Steel Magnolias this week, November 17 - November 20.

Starring Jessica Tuders as Truvy, Lilly Dillard as M'Lynn, Katie Labbee as Shelby, Kathy Bain Ward as Ousier, Jessica Seaton as Clairee, and Dana Mackey as Annelle, this presentation of Robert Harling's classic comedy-drama is one that you won't want to miss, and one that has come with a lot of hard work from a cast that includes three actresses making their community theatre stage debut. It's also one that carries a special meaning for the

production staff.

"We'd decided to run with this show immediately after the success of 'Always Patsy Cline' in June," explains TAC Chair and producer of the show Brent Bonds. "At that time, we went with the show simply because it was one we knew folks around here love to see. As life happens, we lost a great friend and volunteer during our second week of rehearsals with the passing of Southaven Arts Council President Kelly Adkins, who died from complications of diabetes. With diabetes being a major aspect of the show, that connection has been a strong and emotional one throughout the rehearsal process -- certainly for myself as I grieved for a dear friend."

Bonds explains that "steel magnolias" is an applicable descriptor for all the members of the show, who've put in some very hard work and sacrifice to make the show happen: "These ladies have been amazing. We've dealt with flu, surgeries, elections, family emergencies... you name it. These women have come together, rolled with some punches, balanced work, school, family, and transportation issues to come together inside of what seems like a short six weeks to put on what we think is going to be a pretty moving experience for everyone who comes out. This is going to be a quality show, and that's owed solely to the work of these women."

Sponsored by Bushwhackers Salon,

The Friendly Florist, Heavener's Lawn Service, and 72 Express, "Steel Magnolias" is already seeing heavy ticket sales, with Friday's performance already sold out and the other dates approaching that mark.

The show runs Thursday through Saturday at 7 pm and on Sunday with a matinee at 2 pm. For Saturday's performance, theatergoers are provided the ability to have dinner before the show with Blondie's Food truck at Jacinto beginning at 5:30. General admission seating will be available at the door for \$15, but interested theatergoers are encouraged to secure their seats ahead of time by visiting Renasant Bank in Iuka.

## TAC workshop "Vibrant People and Pets" stretches artists skills

Artists from across Mississippi and Tennessee met Saturday at the Tishomingo Community Center to stretch beyond their comfort zones and experiment with the art under the direction of Alabama artist Sean Burnley.

The workshop "Vibrant People and Pets" taught participants to sketch using the grid method and then to work on color theory, determining comparative value across hues to create portraiture

that was loaded with color and self expression.

Sponsored by the Tishomingo Arts Council, the event is one of several upcoming opportunities for artists across the wider area to build on their skills within the county. TAC extends sincere thanks to Burnley for taking the weekend to explore Tishomingo County and to Deanna Gregory for helping supply workshop easels. It was a fun experience for all!



Artists with creations - front: Martha Sparks, Sean Burnley. Back: Mackenzie Cruse, Robby Sparks, Rachel Embrey, Pattie Barnes, Anna Bailey, James Dorsey



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**New Head Start County Council Elected**

Tishomingo County Head Start County Council members met to elect new members for the 2022-2023 school year. L to R: Deborah Cooper-Assistant Regional Manager, Mike Kemp-Chief of Police, City of Tishomingo; Barbara McGaha-Center Administrator, Iuka; Linda Inlow-Center Administrator, Burnsville

**Parade thanks, continued from front**

meet before during and after the parade at her new event venue on Front Street. Beth Davis is always a wealth of charm and hospitality and she gives both to the IDEA Group freely in all of our endeavors as a partner and avid supporter of our community. If you did not get to see her in her wartime attire and see her in action you missed out! Sidney Whitehurst, Jr. allowed us to use his flatbed for the performers and announcer to perform audibly and on high for the attendees of the parade. The Iuka Pentecostal Church, under the leadership of Brother Balentine, showed an outpouring of volunteer and community spirit and attended to our sound needs, as they do any of our needs at any of our volunteer events. As always, a special thanks to Nate Clark for announcing the parade with a wonderful balance of reverence and humor. The Burnsville Choir led by Bethany Cheaves and Iuka Choir led by Tara Castille did a harmonious job of performing patriotic tunes for onlookers. Audrey Williams opened our parade with an a capella rendition of The Star-Spangled Banner that brought tears to this girl's eyes as she watched the giant American flag waving in the breeze while it hung from the Triple D's Tree Service crane in the background. The parade route and its attendees were organized by Anne Marie Brown and the dedicated members of

the line organizational team which included volunteers Courtney Stuart, Chief of Police Randy Stringer, Jeff Lyles, Gail Lyles, and Dustin Norman. Glen White and Hollie Bishop attended to all the IDEA volunteers' needs at the Holiday Market during the event. Special thanks to Shana Hollon for organizing our vendors for the market and I am so looking forward to Spring Market in 2023. The City of Iuka employees have done a wonderful job of placing our Veteran Banners downtown. If you have not walked Front Street and taken time to honor those represented please do so as soon as you can. These will remain up for the entire month of November and we look forward to displaying these and more again next year!

To experience the volunteer/civic spirit and servant's heart that is represented by the IDEA Group and its partners for our quaint city of Iuka, Mississippi is always a humbling experience. Their grace and duty to our community are a wonder to behold. With the team effort of Shanna Hollon, Deb Daniels, Lori Walstrom, Sherry White, and Susan Thompson I feel as if there is nothing that we can't accomplish to bring a unique small-town vibe to our beautiful community. Thank you for all you do daily for your families, community, and the growth of our hometown.

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# State gives away billions in incentives for industrial prospect; refuses to address rural hospital peril

by Wyatt Emmerich

Like an alcoholic unable to resist a full gleaming bottle of Jack Daniels or a sex addict unable to resist the lure of a porn site, the Mississippi political establishment has given another quarter billion dollars to another big company to build a manufacturing plant.

They stayed on the wagon for a good six years, far longer than any prior period of crony capitalism abstinence. But the lure of the big announcement about the big plant using other peoples' money proved too hard to resist. They gave in.

The state gave \$263 million in incentives to Continental Tire in 2016 for a \$1.4 billion investment promising 2,500 jobs. This go-round, an unnamed aluminum plant will get \$247 million for 1,000 jobs. That's a cost of \$247,000 a job.

As usual, this was all rushed through in secrecy. A one-day special session was held and the proposal was passed with only a handful of dissenting votes. Madison representative Joel Bomgar was one of those. He deserves a medal for political bravery.

Like a broken record, this happens again and again. And like a broken record, I will write yet another column about why this is terrible public policy.

Our governor, Tate Reeves, the chief promoter of the plan, knows it's terrible public policy. He says it in nearly every speech he gives, something like: "Government's role is not to pick winners and losers but to get out of the way and let the free market work unencumbered by governmental interference." I've heard him say that line a dozen times.

But just like an alcoholic who knows

his behavior is bad and destructive, Reeves et al just couldn't help themselves. It was just too hard to resist.

All that limelight. The big press conferences. The excitement. The money. The high-powered meetings. The public adulation. The reservoir of campaign contributions. It was just too . . . hard . . . to . . . resist!

Even Lieutenant Governor Delbert Hosemann succumbed. Like Reeves, he knows better. In fact, Hosemann has proposed a fair and equitable economic development plan that would give incentives equally and fairly to all companies that create new jobs. But the lure of landing the big one overpowered his senses, like the perfume of a harlot overcomes an inebriated married man late at night in a bar on a business trip.

There is no evidence anywhere that company-specific tax breaks for mega-plants are good for the long-term health of a state. In fact, the studies show the opposite. The more a state plays favorites subsidizing mega-plants, the slower the state's job growth over the long term. The European Union doesn't allow these deals. The United States should do the same.

The non-profit Tax Foundation sums it up nicely:

"States that make the mistake of relying too heavily on incentives will find that this makes it more difficult to maintain competitive tax burdens on established operations. Even worse, some of the investment decisions businesses make in response to the availability of those incentives will be less economically efficient than the ones they would have made in their absence, with businesses adjusting

their economic decision-making to take advantage of tax incentives even when, absent that incentive, they would make a different choice.

"Policymakers that resist the pressure to create or expand targeted carveouts in the tax code—and ultimately work to phase out these carveouts over time—will find they have more revenue flexibility to create a tax system that treats all businesses favorably, regardless of industry or how long they have been in operation, and without distorting the economic decision-making of those firms. States that maintain a competitive underlying tax code will then find they can attract business investment and experience strong long-term economic growth without picking winners and losers and without cluttering their tax code with complex carveouts, a goal all states should work to achieve."

Simple common sense should expose the negative effects of these company-specific tax breaks. How is it fair to give one company huge subsidies and tax breaks while all the other companies have to pay taxes and build their own plants?

These deals make one company very happy, but they send a horrible message to every other company: The Mississippi government does not play fair. It's not what you know, it's who you know. Crony capitalism reigns in Mississippi.

Every manager in Mississippi will tell you that their greatest challenge is hiring good people. If the government gives huge incentives to one company, they are able to hire the best workers away from existing companies, causing the unsubsidized companies to suffer

and decline. The state of Mississippi is just robbing Peter to pay Paul.

Mississippi has thousands of small, mid-size and large employers. They all have to compete, hire employees, raise capital, build facilities and make a profit. How is it fair to reward just a handful of politically connected companies with huge tax breaks? The other companies have to make up the difference.

I have read the contracts with these companies. In some cases, the state pays for the private jet transportation of its corporate executives. Typically, if the company does not fulfill its promises, there are minimal consequences. If Mississippi voters really knew how these deals go down, they would be outraged.

To be sure, voters are part of the problem. They get excited by big deals just like the politicians. But in a democratic republic, the elected leaders are supposed to exercise prudence, fairness and judgement. Instead, our leaders get swept away just like the public.

And for Pete's sake, why are these deals rushed through in secrecy? There is absolutely no defense of that.

Meanwhile, our Republican leadership has turned down \$7 billion in federal Medicaid funding on the grounds that it's "socialized medicine."

Apparently, Reeves thinks it's perfectly fine to give government money to steel plants while turning down federal money that would keep our rural hospitals open and provide health coverage for the working poor. Go figure that one out.

*Wyatt Emmerich is the publisher of the Northside Sun and the president of Emmerich Newspapers, which consists of papers in McComb, Greenville and Greenwood.*

## 20th Century Club members study on disaster preparedness and civic engagement and outreach

On November 10, 2022, President Brenda Whitfield called the meeting to order at 2:00, at the Iuka Library. Beverly Estes was the hostess and Fredda McCune presented the program. Members stood for the Pledge of Allegiance, and Beverly read from her devotional book "Seeing God in America" and talked about why the Pilgrims came to America in 1620 and how their faith led them from England to America. But the Pilgrims didn't mainly come because of their faith they also attempted to apply it to their lives - personal, family, church, city government, and their economic productivity. This should help us to understand the significance of why we should remember and honor the journey of faith that brought them to America. She mentioned the scripture passage Revelation 3:3 She then offered the invocation.

Members present were Brenda Whitfield, Beverly Estes, Fredda McCune, Joy Kitchens, Jo Russell, Brenda Irwin, Ruth Ellen Cox, Pat Nichols, and Vicki Yates. Members who were absent for various reasons were missed. October meeting's minutes were read and unanimously approved. Members enjoyed light refreshments.

Fredda gave a very informative and interesting program about Civic Engagement and Outreach on Community Service Program which highlights and encourages citizenship; crime prevention, safety and disaster preparedness; the needy, hungry, and homeless; and our military personnel and veterans.

Fredda reminded us in case of a disaster it is best to have a disaster supply kit readily available. She went over all the critical things you should have in your disaster kit. General items would be two weeks' supply of medicine, batteries, a flashlight, NOAA weather radio, cell phone chargers, and also cash because banks and ATMs may not be available after a storm. Make a list of important phone numbers. Clothing such as rain gear, jackets, sturdy shoes or boots, and work gloves. Special needs items for infants, small children, and elderly family members with disabilities. First Aid kit filled with all the necessary items. Nonperishable food, non-electric can opener, water at least a gallon per person per day, paper plates, napkins, cups, and utensils. Important documents such as insurance cards, medical records, banking and credit card information, and all other legal documents such as birth, marriage, and social security card. Set of car and house keys. Copy of will. Information on meds, the name of the drug and dosage. All these items should be in a waterproof container. Keep vehicle tanks filled with gasoline. If you have any pets, have food and water to last at least 7 days, proper identification and medical records, carrier or cage, leash and water and food bowls as well as any medication. Decide if it is safe to evacuate or shelter in place. Call 911 and explain the situation and provide first aid for any injured people. Take photos of damage



Michele Jones, Iuka Elementary School librarian receives donation from Iuka Twentieth Century Club member Beverly Estes.



Iuka Middle School Librarian D. D. Lambert accepts a donation for additional books for the library. Club member Pat Nichols presented the check to Mrs Lambert. The Club is always pleased to help further interest in reading among all students.

if it is safe. In case of a disaster have a designated place where you will meet a family member, so you'll be able to reconnect with them.

Fredda also presented the financial report. Brenda distributed donation checks to members who will in turn distribute to local entities. During our meeting our pecans arrived, please get with any club member and place your order of halves or pieces, \$12 a bag. Other business discussed we were not able to do a Veteran's Day party due to Covid. Christmas Under the Stars is scheduled for next month and Adopt an Angel from Angel Tree. Continue to schedule and report on the Storytime Literacy Project. Announcements included the date of our next meeting will also be our Christmas social luncheon at Lil' Smokies on December 8, 2022, at 1:00. Hostess will be Brenda Irwin and Program Chairwoman will be Jo Russell on Health & Wellness. Our action plan is to bring lingerie items for SAFE. Brenda Whitfield won the door prize this month. There was no further business and the meeting adjourned on motion, second and unanimously approved. The entire 20th Century Club wishes all the community to have a very Happy, Safe, and Blessed Thanksgiving.



## Baby's First Christmas

We would love to feature all our 2022 babies in our Christmas and December editions! So many families have been blessed with little ones this year! Share the joy with all of us!

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## Central Consolidated School: 1927 – 1960

by Delma Dean and Dudgar Daniel

In the spring of 1927, a vote of the qualified electors and patrons of the Helton, Patrick and Harmony school district was taken on the issue of consolidation of the three schools, with provisions for other neighboring schools to come in later, if they so desired.

Land was acquired from the Ayer and Lord Tie Company who owned a large tract of land on Highway 25, four and one half miles north of Iuka, Mississippi.

Three trustees; one from each of the aforementioned school districts, were appointed. They were: M. E. Hudson, Charlie Grisham and E. F. Parnell. Much work and responsibility fell on these three men, as there was some stiff opposition to the idea of consolidation. However, negotiations were made and the Ross Bassett Construction Company of Alcorn County was hired to erect the building, which was ready for use by the latter part of October, 1927.

The name Central Consolidated School was chosen because of its central location among the three school districts.

George Bacon, a graduate of Mississippi Southern, was elected as principal, with Olen Tigner, Mary Harwell, Flora Bell Branson, and Birdie Mae (Gray) Cutshall as his helpers.

Grades one through ten were taught there the first two years by Mr. Bacon. Due to the Depression and short finances, only four or five month terms were held.

By the fall of 1929, high school students were allowed to attend Iuka High School, and were transported there by bus during the regular term at Central, but they had to furnish their own transportation and pay tuition the first and last two months of the nine month term at Iuka.

School buses were constructed locally. No factory made buses were in Tishomingo County at that time. Only three buses were used at first. Many students walked from one to two miles to school. Due to bad road conditions, some bus drivers used covered wagons to supplement their routes.

Mr. O. C. Miller was County Superintendent at this time, and through his efforts and urgent invitation from three trustees, our State Superintendent of Education attended the closing day of the first session of school in March, 1928. The day was one of dedication. Pictures were taken, and a bountiful lunch was spread at the noon hour. The afternoon program consisted of talks by patrons and teachers followed by an address by the State Superintendent of Education, W. F. Bond.

Later, some neighboring schools,



**Charlotte's Attic**

**Charlotte Biggs McVay**

Bethel, Hubbard Salem, and Walker Cut-off decided to consolidate with Central.

The school has furnished some renowned ball players, some politicians, preachers, teachers, and community leaders. Some have entered the business world, and distinguished themselves in their careers, because of their early training.

Following are names of those who served as principal of Central School: George Bacon, Arden Adams, Rev. J. C. Nelson, Olen Tigner, Dewey Locke, R. C. Grisham, Archie Clark, J. W. Mitchell, George W. Stricklen, O. C. Oaks, Zeb Yow, Hector Bishop, Perry White, Cleston Scruggs, and Benny Curtis.

Local boys and girls who taught here, other than those mentioned before, are: Kate Dean, Willie Mae (Embrey) Robinson, Annie (Glover) Gray, Delma (Parnell) Dean, Vada (Gray) Kay, Rayma Biggs, Mary Clyde Medley, Grace (Grisham) McBride, Mary (Wright) Carson, Dorothy (Davis) Hayes, Dorothy Morris, Irene (Hudson) Harris, Leo (Broughton) Nichols, Sam Dean, Elsie (Dean) Parks, Katie Mae (Ramsey) Grisham, Maida Grisham, Noel Kirk, Billy Dean, Alma Ruth (Biggs) Daugherty, Norma Jane (Grisham) Puckett, Joyce (Daniel) Robertson, Lillie Ruth (Ramsey) Johnson, Grace (Welch) Coker, Hershel Blackard, Louise (Carson) Honeycutt, Mae (Adams) Smith, Kirby Milligan, Ezra (Bilbo) Bullard, Ester (Welch) Adams, Maye (Welch) Robertson, Mattie Faye (Embrey) Barnes, Florence "Sis" (Carson) Johnson, Esther (Robinson) Smith, Sephia (Searcy) Chase, Alpha (Gober)

Hall, Mary Burns, Jesse Biggs, Lena Harwell, Della Faye (South) Puckett, Alice (Bonds) Belue, Lessel (Strickland) Hudson, and Lum Barnes, Jr.

The last term of school at Central was the 1959-60 term; the building was then used as a meeting place for the R.C.D.C. and other community activities.

The old brick school house burned in later years.

*(Correction on Charlotte's Attic) Last week I was proud to honor my uncle, L. D. Daugherty for his service to our country. In my writing I got confused on an old familiar name. My grandmother reported she had heard that P. Joe Pruitt was home. My uncle L.D. had met P. J. Kimberly, not P. Joe Pruitt, in Germany and missed their train.*



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Chase Booker goes up for two against Belmont last Friday night.

## Record setting performance for Moore against Saltillo

This week the Lady Braves had stunning victories against Saltillo and Belmont.

On Tuesday against Saltillo, they won 64-37. The story of the night was Reese Moore and her 41 point performance. This snaps the single game points record, and it really shows how special of a talent the Lady Braves have.

On Friday against Belmont, the Lady Braves were ready. They won the game 72-61. Leading scorers were Moore with 29 points and Lila Sanderson with 14 points. The big win gives them



**TCHS Sports**  
Caleb Castile

momentum to take into next week, as they play at Heritage Academy on Tuesday and at Hardin County on Thursday.

The boys team had a hard week in the office. On Tuesday against Saltillo, they couldn't get anything going. The final score was 84-36. They looked to rebound against Belmont on Friday. They could not, as they took a 75-60 loss to their cross town rival. These boys are looking better, however, as they are set to take on Heritage on Tuesday and Hardin County on Thursday.

### Soccer

Soccer had an interesting week to

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## Remember reason for Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving break is next week! I know everyone is excited to get out and get a break from school! Although it's

a break we still need to know why we celebrate Thanksgiving. Sure it is a fun holiday to get to eat and be with your family but we celebrate Thanksgiving to give thanks for what we have been blessed with in the past year. It is a tradition passed down from the pilgrims of Plymouth in 1621. They all gathered together and brought forth the food they had to offer from the harvest. They feasted and enjoyed the company of each other. So this Thanksgiving break I encourage you to take time and think about all the things



**TCHS News**  
Paden Strickland

you are thankful for.

An email has been sent out to all the students that the administration is requiring us to fill out. It is regarding extra curricular activities. It is very important to stay active in school and participate in things. The principals encourage each and every student to try and participate in some type of sport or activity. They want every student to feel involved and included in the stuff that happens at TC.

With that said, makeup tennis tryouts are November 30th after school! For more information on that contact head coach Ben Cain.

Any junior &/or senior interested in taking Dual Enrollment in the spring, please stop by and get an enrollment packet from the counselors' office. Packets must be returned by noon on 11/17/22.



photos P. McRae

**He's all alone** - King Arthur (Alex Turner) bemoans his loneliness despite his stalwart companion Patsy (Kelsie Richardson) being right there.

## TC Drama gets laughs with Spamalot

by Pamela McRae

I'll admit to being a Monty Python fan, and apologize now for us laughing loud enough for cast members to recognize we were there.

### REVIEW

But, last weekend's production of Spamalot, a spoof on Camelot and King Arthur's quest for the Holy Grail was quite enjoyable, and I'm not ashamed to have enjoyed it. Some in the audience may not have repeatedly watched Monty Python movies and



**I'm not dead, yet!** - Zoe Dawson, as the "not dead yet" man with Taylor James, who is trying to hurry his death along.

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courtesy photo

## Russell signs with Northeast Volleyball

Congratulations to Aubree Russell for signing to play volleyball with Northeast Mississippi Community College! Aubree is the daughter of Lee and Chondra Russell.



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## Sparks signs with Northeast baseball

Congratulations to Eli Sparks for signing to play baseball with Northeast Mississippi Community College!

# TCHS SOCCER

## PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

**Tyson Anglin**

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# IMS honors veterans Friday

Friday, November 11, IMS held its annual Veterans' Day program. Mr. Thomas Rakestraw's choruses sang patriotic

songs, and Sergeant 1st class Virgil Ledbetter spoke to the assembly. Afterwards, all the veterans and their

families were treated to a full breakfast provided by Mrs. Nix and her staff.



Sergeant First Class (F-7) retiree Virgil Ledbetter speaks to the assembly on how we all can support our country.



96-year-old World War II veteran, Oliver Nunley, attended the assembly. He got a selfie with Ms. DD Lambert.



IMS's Emily Harris with Verna and Bill Webster during the flag folding service.



IMS fifth grader Saylor Diley with her grandfather Harry Truman.

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## Spamalot, continued from 1B

failed to understand the age-old gags and funny lines, like the elementary age children in front of me, but I can't help that.

Plagued (did you get that? 10 points for you as a true MP fan) as it was by microphone issues, (and what plays at TC haven't been through the years?) the cast did a great job with corny English (Briton?) and French accents, and really threw themselves into portrayals of Arthur's Knights of the Round Table, assorted dark age plague victims, Knights That Say NI!, and a chorus line of Laker girls.

The director deserves serious praise for getting these young actors to use their body for comedic effect, from their facial expressions during dances to Isaiah Robertson's constant adjustments of his comically generous womanly attributes while portraying Galahad's mother. Galahad (Keandre Wicks) himself was very good with the hair-flips and flirty looks with co-stars and the audience.

Tate Reece gave her all as Lady of the Lake, belting out her numbers with serious talent!

Alex Turner as King Arthur was just clueless and authoritative enough, and the knights, in their chorus numbers were on point with hilarious facials. Taylor James was so intense as Lancelot, I got distracted watching her act!

Zoe Dawson's French accent and portrayal of the "not yet dead!" man were on point! Kelsie Richardson did a good job communicating her part and her frustration with

the clueless King she was so faithful to.

I was eagerly anticipating The Black Knight scene ("tis but a scratch!), and perhaps the Trojan Rabbit, but, alas, I understand the constraints of a high

school drama stage.

Good job and congratulations to all these theater kids for now having had a taste of the comedic genius that is Monty Python. I hope they had as good a time preparing as we did

watching!

And now, I shall go down a YouTube rabbit hole, watching all the funny bits of Monty Python and the Holy Grail. Join me?



The end! Molly Luttrell holds the sign as one of her many roles, among cast members, from left, Taylor James (Lancelot), Kelsie Richardson (Patsy), Chloe Hensley (Sir Bedevere), and "historians" Allie Eaton, Maddie Wood and Kaylee Hudson.



TC Girls beat Belmont Friday night - Lila Grace Sanderson going up for two of her 14 points

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## TCHS sports, continued from 1B

say the least. The girls team went 1-2 over the week with a 2-1 win over South Pontotoc on Monday, but a 7-0 loss to Itawamba on Tuesday and a 6-2 loss at Booneville on Thursday was a bit deflating. They sit at 2-3 going into next week's slate of games.

The boys' week was less fortunate. They lost to South Pontotoc 9-2 on Monday, 7-0 to Itawamba on Tuesday and 3-0 at Booneville on Thursday. They sit at 0-5, and look to get a better run at these next two games. Both teams will play at TCPS on Tuesday and at home against Mooreville on Thursday.

### More

Bowling keeps their hot start going to the season with a big win last week. They defeated Alcorn Central, making them 2-0 on the season. This win had to be sweet for Coach Wright, as he defeated his former school. Also, cross country wrapped up their season last Wednesday.

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TO: Unknown Putative Father, who is not to be found in the State of Mississippi on diligent inquiry and whose post office address is not known to the Petitioners after diligent inquiry.

You have been made a Respondent in the suit filed in this Court by the Tishomingo County Department of Child Protection Services, by Marcus D. Davenport, Deputy Director of Permanency, and Chloe Marie Leach and Alaina Isabella Leach, minors, seeking to terminate your parental rights as those rights relate to said minors and demanding that the full custody, control, and authority to act on behalf of said minors be placed with the Tishomingo County Department of Child Protection Services. YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST SAID PETITION AT 9:00 AM ON THE 23RD DAY OF JANUARY 2023, IN THE COURTROOM OF THE ALCORN COUNTY CHANCERY BUILDING LOCATED AT 501 E WALDRON ST., CORINTH, MISSISSIPPI, AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AND DEFEND, A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE PETITION.

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

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 3rd day of November, 2022. PEYTON CUMMINGS, CHANCERY CLERK TISHOMINGO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IUKA, MISSISSIPPI 38852 BY: Kristen Gann, Deputy Clerk Lindsey E. Lazinsky, MSB #103856 Special Assistant Attorney General 72 F.D. Buddy East Pkwy, Ste 300 Oxford, Mississippi 38655 Telephone No. (662) 232-2461 CHG-N10-17-24

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Sealed bids for BUILDING 1016 LEAK REMEDIATION will be received by the TISHOMINGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, IUKA MISSISSIPPI until 10 a.m. on Thursday, 08 December 2022, and then publicly opened and read aloud. Work shall be for furnishing all labor, materials and equipment and performing all work necessary to complete the Project.

Contract documents, including drawings and specifications, may be examined at the office of Dean McRae Engineering, Inc., located at 308 Grisham Street, Iuka, Mississippi. Bid documents may be purchased by contracting Dean McRae Engineering, 662.423.9104. Cost of the plans is \$150, which is non-refundable. The overall scope of work consists of Building 1016 leak remediation for improperly installed or deteriorated roof to wall connections and wall components at Tri-State Commerce Park as shown

on the Contract Drawings. In accordance with tenant requirements, all contractor personnel shall be verified US citizens with either birth certificates or valid US passports. OSHA rules and regulations shall apply as well as tenant safety requirements. Each bid submitted must be marked on the outside "BUILDING 1016 LEAK REMEDIATION". Any bid more than \$50,000 must contain on the outside of the envelope the contractor's current certificate of responsibility number, and no bid shall be opened or considered unless this number appears on the outside of the envelope or unless a statement is included on the outside of the envelope indicating that the bid enclosed does not exceed \$50,000.

A satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an accepted Surety, a certified check, or bank draft payable to TISHOMINGO COUNTY shall be submitted with each bid in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid. A Performance Bond and Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price, with a corporate surety approved by the OWNER, will be required for the faithful performance of the contract.

In the letting of public contracts, preference shall be given to resident contractors, and a nonresident bidder domiciled in a state having laws granting preference to local contractors shall be awarded Mississippi public contracts only on the same basis as the nonresident bidder's state awards contracts to Mississippi contractors bidding under similar circumstances; and resident contractors actually domiciled in Mississippi, be they corporate, individuals, or partnerships, are to be granted preference over nonresidents in awarding of contracts in the same manner and to the same extent as provided by the laws of the state of domicile of the nonresident. When a nonresident contractor submits a bid for a public project, he shall attach thereto a copy of his resident state's current law pertaining to such state's treatment of nonresident contractors.

Any bid submitted by a nonresident contractor which does not include the nonresident contractor's current state law shall be rejected and not considered for award. The right is reserved, as the TISHOMINGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS may require, to reject any, or all, bids and to waive any informality in the bids received. Bids may be held up to 60 days from the date of opening for review of bids and qualifications of bidders prior to Contract award. 1008 BATTLEGROUND DRIVE, IUKA, MS 38852, Tishomingo County Board of Supervisor Michael Busby, President, Tishomingo County Board of Supervisor<sup>s</sup>

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**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF TISHOMINGO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN RE: THE ESTATE OF ONNIE VIONE ALEXANDER, DECEASED Cause No. CV2020-000253**

**SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW AND DEVISEES OF ONNIE VIONE ALEXANDER, DECEASED DEFENDANTS**

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO: The Unknown Heirs at Law and Devisees of Onnie Vione Alexander, deceased. You have been named as Defendants in a civil action filed in this Court by the Administrator, Donald Alexander, seeking judicial determination of heirship of Barbara Weddle, deceased.

YOU ARE COMMANDED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND THIS ACTION AT 9:00 A.M. ON THE 16th DAY OF DECEMBER AT THE CHANCERY COURTROOM OF THE TISHOMINGO COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 1008 BATTLEGROUND DRIVE IUKA, MISSISSIPPI, and in the case of your failure to appear and defend, judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint. You may mail or hand deliver a copy of a written answer either admitting or denying such allegations in the complaint to the attorney for the Estate at: Phillip M. Whitehead, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box, Tishomingo, MS 38873. You must also file the original of your answer with the clerk of this Court afterward, but not later than 9:00 a.m. on the 12th day of December, 2022.

/s/ Peyton Cummings Tishomingo County Chancery Clerk 1008 Battleground Drive Iuka, MS 38852 CHG-N10-17-24

**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF TISHOMINGO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN RE: ESTATE OF BELINDA SUE BROWN CAUSE NO. CV2022-000220**

**NOTICE OF SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY**

Pursuant to the Chancery Court Order filed in the above styled cause on October 31st, 2022, by Honorable Jacqueline Mask, I, Peyton Cummings, Executor will sell, by sealed bids, a 2005 Ford Ranger VIN # 1FTYR10D85PA94595. Vehicle is located at Tishomingo County Courthouse at 1008 Battleground Drive, Iuka, MS. Sealed bids must be turned into the Chancery Clerk's office prior to 10:00 A.M. on November 18th. The personal property offered for sale will be sold to highest bidder. Full amount of purchase price will be required by highest bidder to be held in the Estate Account until further order of the Court. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 7 day of November, 2022. /s/ PEYTON CUMMINGS, Executor CHG-N10-17

**ORDER IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PICKENS COUNTY, ALABAMA ASHLEY VONDELL, CARVER, PLAINTIFF VS WILLIAM AUSTIN JULEN, DEFENDANT CIVIL ACTION NO: DR-2-22-57 ORDER**

The Plaintiff's Motion for Service by Publication having been granted, it is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that the following notice shall be published by the Tishomingo County News: William Austin Julen, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer Ashley Vondell Carver's Complaint for Divorce by January 2, 2023, or, thereafter, a judgment by default may be rendered against him in Case No. DR-2022-57, Circuit Court of Pickens County, Alabama. Keith Cox, Clerk of the

Circuit Court of Pickens County, Alabama. Additionally, this case is set for final hearing on January 18, 2023, at 9 a.m. Entered this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2022. /s/ Honorable Lance Bailey Pickens County Domestic Relations Judge CHG-N10-17-24-D1

**SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE**

WHEREAS, on July 28, 1999, Gene Gober and Angelia Gober executed a certain deed of trust to J. R. Garner, Trustee for the benefit of Blazer Mortgage Services, Inc. which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Tishomingo County, State of Mississippi in Book 253 at Page 222; and WHEREAS, LLG MS LLC has heretofore been substituted as Trustee by instrument dated October 19, 2022 and recorded in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office in Instrument No. 2022003788; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, FirstKey Master Funding 2021-A Collateral Trust, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expense of sale. NOW, THEREFORE, I, LLG MS LLC, Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on December 8, 2022 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.), at the East Door of the County Courthouse of Tishomingo County, located at 1008 Battleground Drive, Iuka, MS 38852, to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds the following described property situated in Tishomingo County, State of Mississippi, to-wit: Part of the NE1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 13, Township 3 South, Range 10 East, described as follows: Commencing at the NE corner of the NE1/4 of said Section 13; thence North 15 feet to the West line of Cagle Road; thence South with said line 350 feet, more or less, to the center of the Branch and the point of beginning hereof; thence with said center of branch, with its meanders, but generally North 57° 31' West 222 feet; thence North 71° 25' West 142 feet; thence South 18° 35' East 131.35 feet; thence south 71° 25' feet East 52.5 feet; thence South 57° 31' East 229.81 feet to the said West aide of Cagle Road; thence North 23.71 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 0.5 (0 - 1/2) acre, more or less. I WILL CONVEY only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee. LLG MS LLC SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE

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**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF TISHOMINGO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DOROTHY NEIL WRIGHT, DECEASED, WILLIAM J. HOLLOWAY, PETITIONER CAUSE NO:CV2022-000234-MM**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 15 of November, 2022, by the Chancery Court of Tishomingo County, Mississippi, to the undersigned, upon the Estate of DOROTHY NEIL WRIGHT, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration, according to law, within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred.

This the 15 day of November, 2022.

/s/ WILLIAM J. HOLLOWAY, ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF DOROTHY NEIL WRIGHT, DECEASED JOEY M. COBB, ATTORNEY AT LAW 201 EAST EASTPORT STREET POST OFFICE BOX 773 IUKA, MISSISSIPPI 38852 (662) 424-0040 CHG-N17-24-D1

**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF TISHOMINGO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF STANLEY WAYNE HUBBARD, DECEASED, ANTHONY W. HUBBARD AND STEPHEN K. HUBBARD, PETITIONER CAUSE NO: CV2022-297-71-M**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 24 of October 2022, by the Chancery Court of Tishomingo County, Mississippi, to the undersigned, upon the

Estate of STANLEY WAYNE HUBBARD, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration, according to law, within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred. This the 24 day of October, 2022.

/s/ ANTHONY W. HUBBARD /s/STEPHEN K. HUBBARD JOEY M. COBB, ATTORNEY AT LAW

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**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF TISHOMINGO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF DOROTHY DAILEY, DECEASED CAUSE NO. CV2022-000311**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

The undersigned having been appointed Executrix of the Estate of DOROTHY DAILEY, deceased, by the Chancery Court of Tishomingo County, Mississippi, in Cause No. CV2022-000311 on the docket of said Court, on the 10th day of November 2022, hereby gives notice to all persons having any claims against the said estate to have the same probated and registered by the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Tishomingo County, Mississippi, within ninety (90) days, and failure to probate and register for this period will bar the said claim.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, on this the 9th day of November 2022.

/s/BRENDA HINTON Executrix CLARK LAW FIRM, SOLICITORS FOR PETITIONER 125 SOUTH FULTON STREET POST OFFICE BOX 319 IUKA, MISSISSIPPI 38852 (662) 423-5227 CHG-N17-24-D1

**NOTICE TO PUBLIC**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**The Town of Burnsville hereby gives notice that its annual financial report for the year ended September 30, 2021 has been completed. Copies are available to the public at Burnsville City Hall, 38 Gross Avenue, Burnsville, Mississippi**



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