

Don't be a loser... take advantage of every single moment you are given

Good evening Ladies and Gentlemen, friends, and family. Tonight, I'm up first to speak - God bless - but here I am, and here you are to listen, to laugh, to cry. Some of you are here to just take a picture with your little baby that is somehow all grown up. Welcome to the Graduation of 2017, and here is your graduating class. I am Jared Woullard, and I am your historian. I must say that this is nothing short of a blessing and this journey has been a beautiful ride. So, without further ado, let's begin.

Being your Historian, I'm here to give you a quick lesson about the history of the young adults who are here in front of you tonight. Let us start with the academic achievements that we, as a school, have accomplished just in these last few years. The academics of Greene County High School have flourished these four years, being named a Mississippi "A" School, soaring high in state testing scores. And, this year, Greene County High School has welcomed new societies on campus that allow our students to broaden their horizons, academically, such as the National English Honor Society, the National Math Honor Society, and the National Thespian Honor Society.

Furthermore, Greene County High School's competitive organizations, which range from the large amount of clubs to the list of sports, have also exceeded the expectations that had been set for the past three years. Some of the highlights are as follows:


Our FBIA Committee taking on district competitions at JCJC and placing in district as well as state.

Our FFA standing tall in the State Capital and putting the agricultural spotlight on Greene County.

Our BETA reaching beyond heights to grasp many awards at the state BETA Convention.

Historian Address

By **Jared Woullard**



Greene County High School Class of 2017 Historian

Our High School's very first Matheletes group placing second in its division within its first year, our Theatre club showing dominance in the Ten-Minute Festival during the Mississippi Theatre Association assembly this year by receiving the majority of the awards during the banquet our Pride of Greene County Marching Band conquering division our Color Guard and Dance team's hard work, determination, and spirit allowing them to thrive during State Evaluations where they both received a one, which is the highest achievement our Cheer team's constant dedication and work lead them to being the 2013 MHSAA Non-Tumbling Division II Cheerleading State Champs.

This year has also been a power year for Greene County's sports as well. The Greene County High School football team went further than expected this year by playing in the first round of the playoffs, just as our Wildcat Baseball Team made it to the first round of the playoffs, and our boys' soccer team made it to the first round of the playoffs this year as well. Our boys' basketball team, softball team, and track team flourished this year, and, with great effort, our Lady Wildcat basketball team made it all the way to the second round of the playoffs. This year's Cross Country Team went all the way to the state championship. These were no

easy or simple accomplishments. Students and athletes, I am here to say thank you for your hard work, your effort, and your 'never give-up' spirit because, with these attributes, you made these achievements possible.

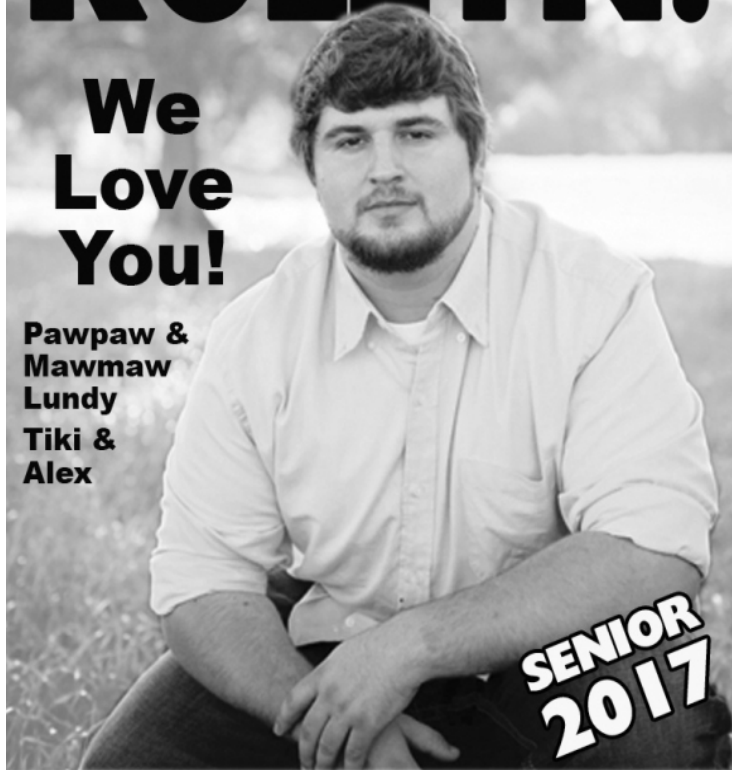
However, the world isn't all sunshine and rainbows for we have all seen the raw end of the stick. We have all had a losing season. We have all been a loser. It may be hard to hear, and some may look around and think, *What is this kid talking about? I don't lose.* Oh, but you do; we all do. What is it that we lose? We are all losers of time. Slowly, but surely, it ticks away, and we cannot win it back. My friends, my family, my peers this is something that we cannot deny, so we must take advantage of every second, minute, hour we are given.

In conclusion, I am here to tell you something important. I may be your Historian, but tonight, you and every person who sits before you, beside you, and behind you make history this evening. Because we have won. We have won friendships. We have won love. We have won bonds like no other, and we have won a family through moments of happiness and sadness. Greene County, we have won this time. We have won this moment. To the GC that built me, please do not forget about us, we will never forget about you because anyone who has ever loved this place thinks of you everywhere they go.

I love you, Sade' and LaDon. I love you, Mom. Thank you for being my hero. Thank you, Coach McCann, for always reminding me of what I am capable of doing, and thank you, Greene County, for these friends and for these beautiful people that I hope never forget about me. Thank You, Greene County High School, for this moment in History. This time we won.

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Pawpaw & Mawmaw Lundy Tiki & Alex

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RONZIE THOMAS

SENIOR 2017

We are so proud of you.

As you close this chapter of your life and begin the next I pray that God enlarges your territory beyond measure remember to always keep God first...

Love, Mama, Sharonda and Shalonda

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not to thy own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths. -Proverbs 3:5-6

Perry Turner honored with Christian service award at Mississippi College



Photo courtesy of Mississippi College

Perry Turner is shown here being presented with the Dr. Charles 'Puddin' Davis M-Club Christian Service Award by Mississippi College Athletics Advisor Whitney Vance. The recent MC graduate is member of Greene County High School's Class of 2013.

Special to the Herald

Greene County's Perry Turner was recently recognized by the Mississippi College M-Club as the 2017 recipient of the Dr. Charles

an outstanding student athlete who earned 13 varsity letters as a Choctaw and had the opportunity to play professional football after graduation from school. In announcing the award, M-Club National President Brandon Creel said Turner's "service and leadership as a student, strong presence as a member of the Choctaw Baseball team, participation with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and other activities on and off campus, reflect a testimony and character consistent with the standard Dr. Davis exemplified."

Turner recently graduated from MC with a degree in kinesiology. He plans to continue his education at USM beginning this summer with plans of building a career as a strength and conditioning coach at the collegiate or professional level. A 2013 graduate of Greene County High School, Turner is the son of Russell and Jennifer Turner of Leakesville and the grandson of George and Tina Perry, of Tunica, and Leola

and the late John F. Turner, of Leakesville.

Congratulations Jade



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