open group meetings Friday, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at

## New Roads Counseling

1141/2 Spring Street, Lexington, 662-230-2682

## **LEGAL NOTICES**

NOTICE TO PURCHASE FOR CASH OR LEASE-PURCHASE ONE NEW BACKHOE, WITH OR WITHOUT TRADE. HOLMES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

Notice is hereby given that the Holmes County Board of Supervisors will accept sealed bids until 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, February 21, 2017, in the Office of the County Administrator located at 408 Court Square, Lexington, MS 39095 and bids will be opened at the recess meeting, Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 10:00 A.M. for cash or lease-purchase of one new backhoe for Holmes County.

Specifications for the new backhoe are on file with Charlie M. Joiner, Purchasing Clerk of Holmes County, and may be picked up at the above address or obtained by writ-P. O. Box 239, Lexington, Mississipp 39095, by calling (662) 834-0911, via emai http://holmescountyms.org, online services

The terms for the proposed purchase from the successful bidder will be for cash or lease-purchase. Lease-purchase bids are to state a purchase price, interest rate, and the total charges for a lease purchase based on 60 monthly payments. The Board reserves the right to seek financing from a third party.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and the Board also reserves the right to waive any and all informalities.

This Notice is published pursuant to Order of the Board of Supervisors.

WITNESS my hand this 29th day of January, 2017.

/s CHARLIE M. JOINER 2-2,9b

**Holmes County Board of Supervisors** Lexington, Mississippi Small Municipalities Limited Population Grant Program,

SM-15-712 Water Treatment Plant Improvement Project ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Holmes County Board of Superviors will receive separate sealed bids for the Rehabilitation of Holmes County Industrial Park Water Treatment Plant. Bids will be received and opened on March 6, 2017, 10:00 am, Local Time, at the Holmes County Board of Supervisors Building, 408 Court Square, Lexington, Mississippi 39095, at which time and place bids will be opened should be addressed to the Holmes County Board of Supervisors, c/o County Administrator, P.O. Box 239, Lexington, Mississippi 39095. The Project consists of rehabilitation of existing water treatment facility. The contractor shall furnish all labor, materials, equipment, samples, taxes, permits and permit fees (if applicable), insurance, etc. to install and complete

Bids will be received for a single prime Contract. Bids shall be on a lump sum and unit price basis, with additive alternate bid items as indicated in the Bid Form

ments is: SOL Engineering Services, LLC, 106 S. President St., Suite 400, Jackson, MS 39201, Derrick Jones, 601 961-1415 Ext. 222, djones@solengrs.com. Prospective Bidders may examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Mondays through Fridays between hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. and may obtain copies of the Bidding Documents from the Issuing Office as described below.

Bidding Documents also may be examined at the office of the Engineer, SOL Engineering Services, LLC, 106 S. President St., Suite 400, Jackson, MS 39201. on Mondays through Fridays between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.; the office of the Holmes County Board of Su-pervisors Building, 408 Court Square, Lexington, Mississippi 39095 on Monof 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., and online at

Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Issuing Office during the hours indicated above. Bidding Documents are available on compact disc (as portable document format (PDF) files) for a non-refundable charge of \$50.00 (Fifty Dollars), including shipping via overnight express service. Alternatively, printed Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Issuing Office either via in-person pick-up or via mail, upon Issuing Office's receipt of payment for the Bidding Documents. The non-refundthe Bidding Documents. able cost of printed Bidding Documents is \$150.00 (One Hundred and Fifty Dollars) per set, payable to SOL Engineering Services, LLC, plus a non-refundable shipping Upon Issuing Office's receipt of charge. Upon Issuing Office's receipt of payment, printed Bidding Documents will be sent via the prospective Bidder's delivery method of choice; the shipping charge will depend on the shipping method cho-sen. The date that the Bidding Documents are transmitted by the Issuing Office will be considered the prospective Bidder's date of receipt of the Bidding Documents. Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Issuing Office. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including Addenda if any, obtained from sources

other than the Issuing Office. The owner reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all bids. Each bidder must deposit with his bid security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for No bidder may withdraw his bid

within sixty (60) calendar days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Bid security shall be furnished in accor-

dance with the Instructions to Bidders

HOLMES COUNTY, MISSISSIPP IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN STEPHEN RHYNE, DECEASED

CAUSE NO. 16-0149 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Testamentary having been granted on the 5th day of January, 2017, by the Chancery Clerk of Holmes County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of JOHN STEPHEN RHYNE, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons hav-ing a claim 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 the date of the first publication of this notice, or they will be for

This the 5th day of January, 2017. /s/ Betty J. Rhyne BETTY JANE RHYNE **EXECUTRIX OF THE ESTATE** OF JOHN STEPHEN RHYNE

#### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS INVITATION TO BID

The City of Tchula is soliciting bids for four (4) homeowner housing units that will be demolished and rebuilt and one city's HOME rehab grant program. Sealed written bids will be received at the City of Tchula's City Hall, 1027 Main Street, Tchula, MS 39169 until 4:30 P.M., on Friday, March 3, 2017. They will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Mayor and Board of Aldermen's meeting at 5:30 P.M. at the City Hall on Thursday, March 9, 2017.

Drawings and Specifications are available at the office of North Central Planning and Development District, 28 Industrial Park Blvd., Winona, Mississippi, 38967. Inquiries should be directed to Rio Winters, Project Administrator at (662) 283-2675

a mandatory pre-bid meeting and walkthrough scheduled for *Friday*, *February 17*, 2017, at 1:30 P.M. at the City of Tchula's City Hall. A walk-through of the houses to meeting. Prior to bidding, any contractor must complete and have on file the Qualifications of the General Contractor Form.

Bidders shall submit a bid for the cost of construction. All bidders shall know that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen shall accept the lowest and best bid.

Bidders must comply with Section 3 of the HUD ACT of 1968, the Anti Kickback Act, the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, and the Presidents Executive Order No. 11246.

The City of Tchula reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids on behalf of the homeowners. The City of Tchula is an equal opportunity housing provider.

Part of SE 1/4 of SE 1/4. Section 19. Township 16 North, Range 2 East, Holmes County,

## SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S

NOTICE OF SALE WHEREAS, on August 20, 2007, Helen Freeman, executed a Deed of Trust to Marshall H. Smith, Jr., Trustee, for the use and benefit of Holmes County Bank & Trust Company, which Deed of Trust is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Holmes County, Mississippi, in Deed o

Frust Book 2007 at Page 5245 thereof; and WHEREAS, the legal holder of the said Deed of Trust and the note secured thereby, substituted John M. Gilmore, as Trustee therein, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Miscellan Book 2015 at Page 897 thereof; and

WHEREAS, default having been made n the performance of the conditions and stipulations as set forth by said Deed of Trust, and having been requested by the legal holder of the indebtedness secured and described by said Deed of Trust so to do, notice is hereby given that I, John M. Gilmore, Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in said Deed of Trust, will offer for sale and will sell at public sale and outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, during the legal hours (between the hours of 11 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m.) at the North door of the Hol-mes County Courthouse, Lexington, Mississippi, on the 17th day of February, 2017 at 11:05 A.M., the following described land and property being the same land and property described in said Deed of Trust, situated in Holmes County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

210 x 210 feet located East of a fence line in the SE1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 19, Township 16 North, Range 2 East, Holmes County, Mississippi - described as follows:

Beginning at the Northwest Corner of

the said SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 of said Section 19 and running thence East 330 feet to a concrete block; thence South along the Freeman fence line 210 feet to a stake on said fence which is the point of beginning for the lot herein described: thence around said lot as follows: South along said Freeman fence line 210 feet to a stake on said fence line: thence East 210 feet to a stake; thence North 210 feet to a stake; thence West 210 feet to the point of beginning and close, and containing one acre more or less.

Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, on this the

17th day of January, 2017.

/s/ John M. Gilmore JOHN M. GILMORE, Substituted Trustee 1-26;2-2,9,16b

## \*Wicker

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#### Protecting the Framers' **Separation of Powers**

The highest court in our country serves as a vital check on potential excesses of the government's legislative and executive branches. It is not a place for activism or policymaking. In keeping with Justice Scalia's legacy of judicial

## EGALS

### **ADVERTISEMENT**

Historic Durant Depot North Building Renovation for City of Durant, Holmes County, Mississippi Federal Aid Project No. STP-0074-00(021) LPA/106866-701000

The City of Durant, Mississippi, will receive bids for the Historic Durant De-North Building Renovation, Fed-Aid Project No. STP-0074-00-(021) LPA/106866-701000, no later than 5:00 pm Local Time on the 21st day of March, 2017 at the City Hall located at 253 W. Mulberry St., Durant, Mississippi 39063. All bids so received will be publicly opened and read aloud at the regularly scheduled meeting of the City Board at 6:30 pm Local Time on the 21st day of March, 2017. There will be a non-mandatory Pre-Bid Conference schedof March, 2017 at Durant City Hall. Attendance is strongly recommended.

The contract time for this project is 300

calendar days.

The work shall consist essentially of the

following items:

North Building: Exterior and Interior renovation/restoration including, but not limited to roof work, limited masonry and wood framing stabilization work, new mechanical and electrical systems, interior finishes, window and door restoration,

The above general outline of features of the work does not in any way limit the re-sponsibility of the Contractor to perform all work and furnish all labor, equipment and materials required by the specification and the drawings referred to therein. The attention of bidders is directed to

the Contract Provisions governing selection and employment of labor. Minimum wage rates for Federal Aid projects have been predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and are subject to Public Law 87-581. Work Hours Act of 1962, as set forth in the Contract Provisions

The City of Durant, Mississippi, hereby notifies all Bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any Contract entered into pursuant to this Advertisement, disadvantaged and women's business enterprises will be afforded the full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The award of this Contract will be contingent upon the Contractor satisfying the DBE/WBE requirements.

Bid documents are being made available via original paper copy. Plan holders and plan rooms are required to register and order bid documents at www.bsaplanroom.com

posit of \$100.00. All orders must be placed through the website. All plan holders are required to have a valid email address for registration

When placing the order, you must choose

Pay by Check at check-out online. All checks must be made payable to Belinda Stewart Architects and Mailed Plan House Printing Tupelo, MS 38804

Bid Documents will be shipped when the check is received at the printer's office

For questions regarding website registra-tion and online orders, please contact Plar House Printing at (662) 407-0193

For specific questions related to the proj ect, please contact: Belinda Stewart Architects, PA PO Box 867 - 61 North Dunn Street Eupora, MS 39744

662-258-6405 – phone 662-258-6452 - fax The Contract Documents are on file and may be examined at the following location.

Durant City Hall, 253 W. Mulberry

Street, Durant, Mississippi 39063 Relinda Stewart Architects, PA, 61 North Dunn Street,

Eupora, Mississippi 39744

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Certified Check on a solvent bank or a Bidder's Bond issued by a Surety Company licensed to operate in the State of Mississippi, in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid price, payable to the City of Durant as bid security. Bidders shall also submit a current financial statement, if requested by the City. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Contract Bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract

The proposal and contract documents in its entirety shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and deposited with the City Clerk Ursula Perry, Durant, Mississippi prior to the hour and date above designated. No bidder may withdraw his bid within sixty (60) days after the date of actual bid opening, without Owner's consent.

Work to be performed shall be in accordance with the "Mississippi State Highway Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, 2004", together with all amendments and/or special provisions and/ or addenda to the standards duly approved and adopted, unless otherwise noted in these specifications.

The attention of Bidders is directed to the provisions of Subsection 103.07 pertaining MAYOR, CITY OF DURANT.

HOLMES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI /s/ Tasha B. Davis, Mayor City of Durant, Mississippi

restraint, Judge Gorsuch has a record of upholding our Constitution's separation of pow-

At 49 years old, Judge Gorthe Supreme Court for many years to come if confirmed. I am confident he will remain true to the judicial philoso-

phy and convictions that have brought him to this point in his distinguished career. As Americans know, a single vote in Supreme Court decisuch can shape the future of sions can have a major impact. Landmark cases protecting Second Amendment rights and religious freedom have been decided by one vote.

We need Supreme Court justices who are committed to defending the Constitution and the principles it enshrines. I believe Judge Gorsuch has the intellect and competence to fulfill this responsibility, and I look forward to his confirmation process in the Sen-

# \*\* Obituaries



## RHETT PRESLEY

Dr. John Rhett Presley (64) was called Home by the Lord Sunday, February 5, 2016. Born on March 18, 1952 to John Hearst Presley and Ora Lavon Cahoon Presley, Rhett resided in Pickens until he graduated from Lexington High School in 1970. While at The University of Mississippi, he was a member of Kappa Alpha Order. After receiving a Bachelor of Science degree from Ole Miss, he attended the University of Tennessee where he received a Doctorate of Dental Surgery in 1979. In 1983, Rhett received certification in acupuncture from the University of Oriental Studies, Center for Chinese Medicine in San Francisco, California.

After receiving his DDS, he and his wife, Ann Dabbs Presley, returned to Holmes County, and he established a dental practice in Lexington that was later moved to Durant. Rhett was a member of the American Dental Association and the Mississippi Dental Association. Rhett tirelessly helped those less fortunate than he. Rhett's calling in life was to serve others as a caregiver. Through his nurturing spirit, he touched countless lives with his gentle grace. Devoted to his community, he was instrumental in bringing Mallory Community Health Center to Lexington. F. Scott Fitzgerald once said, "When you have said that a man is a 'good man,' you have said about all you can say." John Rhett Presley, Sr., was a 'good man "

Rhett cherished the time spent with friends and family while hunting, and he looked forward to reliving his experiences through telling stories. One of his most memorable hunts that he loved to retell was when his team won the One Box Pheasant Hunt in Broken Bow, Nebraska. Later the Mississippi team returned and won The Nebraska One Box Pheasant Hunt Past Shooters Competition. Rhett had a story that accompanied French Camp, MS 39745.

## MRS. ALDETINE SLY

Mrs. Aldetine Sly, 66, of Lexington, MS (Ebenezer Community) passed away on Monday, February 6, 2017. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, February 11, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at Holy City M. B. Church in Ebenezer.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Porter & Sons' Funeral Home in Lexington.

almost every hunt and those that love him most could not help but wonder if he had embellished the facts. From award winning pheasant hunts to watching deer play in the back yard, Rhett was most at peace in the woods. A pioneer in Hunter Education, Rhett spent many years fostering respect for wildlife and the sport of hunting in Mississippi's

When he was not telling hunting stories, he was sharing other past memories. Rhett was a free-spirit, and he loved rockn-roll. He relished the opportunity to tell others about his time at Woodstock and would reenact how musicians like Jimmy Hendrix played their instruments on stage. He also would share his fond memories of riding the train to hear The Beatles play in Memphis, TN. Rhett was a loving and devot-

ed husband, father, grandfather, and friend. Married to his beloved wife, Ann, of 42 years, together they raised two children, Bronwyn and John Rhett, Jr. A treasured grandfather, Bear, dreamt of his granddaughter, Presley Ann, riding on a competitive equestrian team. He looked forward to the days of teaching his grandsons, Hudson and John Collier, to be master marksmen and avid hunters. He was his grandchildren's hero, and he spoiled them with all the love he had to give. Bear will be remembered by his grandchildren as an adoring man of few words that always greeted them her grandchildren, Virginia with a larger than life smile and a hug that could warm you for a lifetime.

He is survived by his wife, Ann Dabbs Presley; their two children, Bronwyn Martin (Brandon) and John Rhett (Sara Marie), both of Madison; grandchildren, Presley Ann, Hudson, also include his sister, Daphne Presley of Ashville, North Caro-

Visitations were held Wednesday, February 8 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Parkway Funeral Home, 1161 Highland Colony Parkway, Ridgeland, MS 39157. 1:00-2:00 p.m. with funeral services to follow. Internment will be at Parkway Memorial Cemetery at 3:30 p.m. In lieu of customary remembrances, memorials may be made to French



#### FRANCES LEE MCGEE HATHORN

Frances Lee McGee Hathorn passed away on her farm on Wednesday, February 1, 2017. Born on April 1, 1929, Frances, daughter of Henry Bonner McGee and Annie Mae McGee, was from Tchula, Mississippi.

Frances met her husband. Daniel Norfleet Hathorn, at Southwestern at Memphis where she was a Chi Omega Frances Lee had a flair for interior design and storytelling, especially about the people and places she loved. Also, she was a lover of flowers and animals.

She was predeceased by her husband, her parents and her brother Henry Bonner Mc-Gee, Jr. and her most beloved friend Missouri Moore.

She is survived by her children, Sara O'Dell, Ann Gonzales and husband Edward. and Daniel Norfleet Hathorn, Jr. and wife Therese; by Hornbuckle and husband William, Edward Gonzales, Alice Hathorn, Sam Hathorn and Frances Lee Hathorn; and by great grandchildren Charlie Dezotell, Eva Gonzales and Lillian and Everett Hornbuckle.

The family gives special and John Collier. His survivors thanks to the Claiborne family and her devoted caregivers, who made it possible for her to spend her last days on her beloved farm as she had desired. The family requests memorial donations be made to either Rose Hill Baptist Church or to St. Mary's Epis-Another visitation will be held copal Church, Lexington, at Pickens Presbyterian Church MS. A celebration of life ser-Thursday, February 9 from vice will be held at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Lexington, MS on Saturday, February 11, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. with visitation beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Arrangements have been Camp Academy, 1 Fine Place, entrusted to Porter & Sons Funeral Home in Lexington.

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