

DURANT NEWS

by Rowena Hill

Mrs. Beth Blanton Momand of Fort Smith, Arkansas spent time during the week with her mother Mrs. Dot Blanton, who is recovering from a recent accident at her home. Hope to see her out and feeling well again soon.

The Valentine Banquet at First Baptist Church was enjoyed by everyone in attendance. The fellowship hall was beautiful and the food was delicious. Thanks to all who were responsible for

the food, entertainment and decorating. It was great.

The many friends and family of Sonny McNeer regret that he is not well. He is living in Arkansas again near his daughters and grandchildren.

Joey and Jackie Hill attended a birthday celebration for their grandson Jack May Saturday in Stewart. They were joined by others for the celebration.

Mrs. Shirley Higginbotham, of Clinton, and Mrs. Bessie

Easterling, of Jackson, spent Thursday and Friday nights with this writer and our sister Frankie. We also spent time with Shirley Ables and others in Sallis.

The Sallis School Reunion is planned for May 6 at the school auditorium in Sallis. Keep this date in mind. More later as plans are still being made. The Durant School Reunion is soon



Micah Smith, 7, of Madison, killed his first deer hunting with his father on Saturday, January 28, on private property in Madison County. Smith is the son of Michael and Charlene. (Photo submitted)

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John Thomas Murtagh is pictured with his Mississippi Bred Reserve Champion Hampshire Market Hog from the Dixie National Junior Roundup in Jackson held February 2-19. John Thomas and his dad raised this pig along with many others that were shown and won from Holmes County this year. John Thomas is the son of Kathy and Johnny Murtagh of Ebenezer. (Photo by Betsy Padgett)

Natalie Winstead, second from left, is pictured after having won Mississippi Bred Reserve Champion Yorkshire at the Dixie National Livestock Show held February 2-19. This hog also placed first at the Delta District show in Greenwood. Natalie is pictured with (from left) Eddie Murtagh, who helped her with her pig, Donna Diggs, proud grandmother, and Elizabeth Walker, one of several pig coaches. Natalie is the daughter of Michelle Winstead of Lexington. (Photo by Betsy Padgett)

Sidney Sinclair is pictured with her Reserve Champion Simmental Heifer at the Delta District Livestock Show, January 30 through February 1, in Greenwood. Sinclair is the daughter of Chuck, formerly of Lexington, and Stephanie Sinclair of Brandon. (Photo by Betsy Padgett)

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Soybeans G'wood	Nov 17	2017 Aug Sep	10.27	0.01	10.28	-0.03
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also. More details later.

Sympathy is extended to the Locke family in Sallis. He will be missed by family and friends for a very long time.

Mike Hill spent time during the week a patient in the University Medical Center in Jackson. He went home Monday but is still not feeling very well.

Mrs. Lucy Howell spent time recently in a Jackson hospital. Friends and family look forward to seeing her well again with lots of good days ahead.

Mr. David Irby is recovering well after recent surgery. It's good to see him attending and singing in church again. He is pretty much back to regular activities. We are very thankful.

Sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Bledsoe and family

because of the loss of a loved one. Prayers are for the family.

Friends and family are thankful Mrs. Katherine Cagle is home and feeling some better after being a patient in a Jackson hospital for several days.

Mrs. Edith Ann Rucker spent time last week in the hospital in Lexington. Remember her in your prayers. She is to undergo further tests.

All are very thankful Mitch Land is now back in the Durant Nursing Center after spending time recently in the University Hospital in Jackson. Love and prayers to him and the family.

Prayers and best wishes to Mrs. Wilma Carroll. She hasn't been well for some time. Also to others of our community who are sick and suffering. May God bless each one.

Tyler Diffey is pictured with his Supreme Bull as exhibited at the Delta District Livestock Show, January 30 through February 1, in Greenwood. "Destiny" had previously won Champion Simmental Bull and went on to win this overall designation over all the other Bulls in this show. Tyler also won his age group of Beef showmanship at the Delta show as well. (Photo by Betsy Padgett)

(Pictured at top, center) Sidney Sinclair was awarded the 2017 Payton Netherland Memorial Scholarship for her outstanding achievements in the Holmes County 4-H Beef Cattle for the past two years. Pictured with Sinclair is Joey Netherland (left), father of Payton, and Lindsay Killebrew, sister of Payton. (Pictured above) Sinclair is flanked by Carolyn Myrick who presented her with the James "Bubba" Cunningham Award. Both awards were presented during the Holmes County Livestock show held on Saturday, January 28. Sidney is a senior at Brandon High School with plans to attend Delta State University. She is the daughter of Stephanie and Chuck Sinclair. (Photos by Julie Ellison)