

Lexington man dies in highway 17 crash

Staff Reports

The Mississippi Highway Patrol is still investigating a two-vehicle crash, in Holmes County, that claimed the life of a Lexington resident.

Troopers responded to MS 17, near Lexington, at approximately 8:45 p.m., Sunday, June 25. Upon arriving it appeared Clarence Buchanan, 64, of Lexington, was driving a 1997 Buick and attempting to turn onto MS 17 from Busy Bee Road, when he apparently pulled into the path of a north bound 2010 Chevrolet, driven by Charmesha Blair, 31, of Lexington.

Buchanan received fatal injuries in the crash and died on the crash scene. Andrew Marshall, 67, of Lexington, was a passenger in Buchanan's vehicle. He received life threatening injuries in the crash. He was transported to a local hospital and is listed in critical condition.

Blair and two children in her vehicle received moderate injuries from the crash.

French club to host paint run July 1

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The Holmes County Central High School French Club will host its first planned annual Global Education Awareness Paint Run on Saturday, July 1 at the Holmes County State Park on MS Highway 51 south. Running begins at 8 a.m., walking at 8:15 a.m. Registration forms can be picked up at the high school's main office or contact Ashley Young at ayoung@holmes.k12.ms.us

REVIVALS

NEWPORT M.B. CHURCH
Newport M.B. Church in Lexington will hold Summer Revival from Sunday, July 2 through Monday, July 3 at 7 nightly with a different speaker each night.

GUIDING LIGHT COGIC
Revival services will be held at Guiding Light Church of God in Christ in Lexington from Wednesday, July 5 through Friday, July 7 at 7:30 nightly.

Notice of early deadline

The office of the *Holmes County Herald* will be closed Tuesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

Deadline for all news, legals and events is Thursday, June 29, by 4 p.m. for the July 6 edition of the *Herald*. Deadline for all ads is Friday, June 30, by noon.

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Meeks advances to Georgia horse championship, quiz bowl team ranks fifth in state

By Betsy Padgett
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The State 4-H Horse Championships were held last week at the Fordice Equine Expo in Jackson. Club 4-H youth from all over the state came together on the Fairgrounds to compete during the week-long event.

Educational contests included Hippology, Horse Judging, Horse Bowl (quiz bowl), Individual and Team Demonstrations, and Public Speaking. In addition, horse art and photography were on display. Horses were shown "in-hand" in Showmanship and Halter classes, ridden in Pleasure, Trail, Ranch and Speed classes, as well as,

Goat Tying, Boxing and Roping. All sorts of equine were shown from Mini's and ponies to Quarter horses and Saddle and Gaited.

Holmes County 4-H'ers participated in a variety of these contests – earning (most notably) one of the coveted slots to advance to the Southeast 4-H Regional Championships.

Tredell Meeks, Jr. qualified on his horse Daisy in Pole Bending and will represent Holmes County and Mississippi in Perry, Georgia, from August 2 through 6. Though Tredell was our lone regional qualifier, his was not the only outstanding performance by our youth. On

Tuesday, our Junior Horse Quiz Bowl team placed 5th in the statewide competition. Members of this team were Sinatra Clayton, Colton and Livi Howell and Marquail Primers. Then on Thursday, they also performed well in Goat Tying, Calf Roping and Ranch Sorting. Livi Howell placed 5th in Goat Tying while Jewel Vandever won and brother, Garrett, placed 3rd.

In Breakaway Roping, Javontae Jefferson placed 8th and Jay Jay McCaskill placed 5th. Jay Jay and partner Austin Roebuck placed 2nd in Dally Team Roping.

In Ranch Sorting, Anthony and Tredell Meeks penned two head in 76.78 seconds before losing a couple of head through the gate to a "no time." Austin Roebuck and Jay Jay penned one in 28.55 seconds before losing more calves through the gate to a "no time."

Friday was the day for halter classes. Tredell took 2nd in Grade Western mares with Daisy and Darien Polk, 4th. Emma Cotton placed 9th in Showmanship with her pony and 2nd in her Pony Mare class. She, also, placed 4th in Pony Pleasure. Jay Jay placed 7th in Saddle Horse

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Durant escapee sought by authorities



The Durant Police Department is currently searching for Curtis Gaines, who escaped police custody Monday, June 19. If you have any information regarding this individual, please contact Durant Police Department at 662-653-6846, or Holmes County Crime Stoppers at 662-834-0099. (Photo submitted)

County schools to see advanced placement classes made available for 2017-2018 school terms

Mississippi State University is helping facilitate a program that will allow students in rural Mississippi school districts to take Advanced Placement courses from leading American scholars.

Beginning in the 2017-2018 school year, the Mississippi Public School Consortium for Educational Access is implementing a pilot program to teach Advanced Placement subject matter in select rural and low-income school districts which currently do not offer the courses.

As part of the program, over 20 students from seven participating school districts are taking part in a two-week preparatory summer academy for AP physics at MSU.

When the students return to school in August, they will take an AP physics course taught by Meg Urry of Yale College, an internationally renowned astrophysicist and director of the Yale Center for Astronomy and Astrophysics.

The AP classes this school year will be taught in a "blend-

ed" style, combining online and in-person instruction from teachers within the students' schools and from Urry. The Yale professor will visit with students in-person while they are at MSU. Murrah High School and Yale graduate Travis Regi-

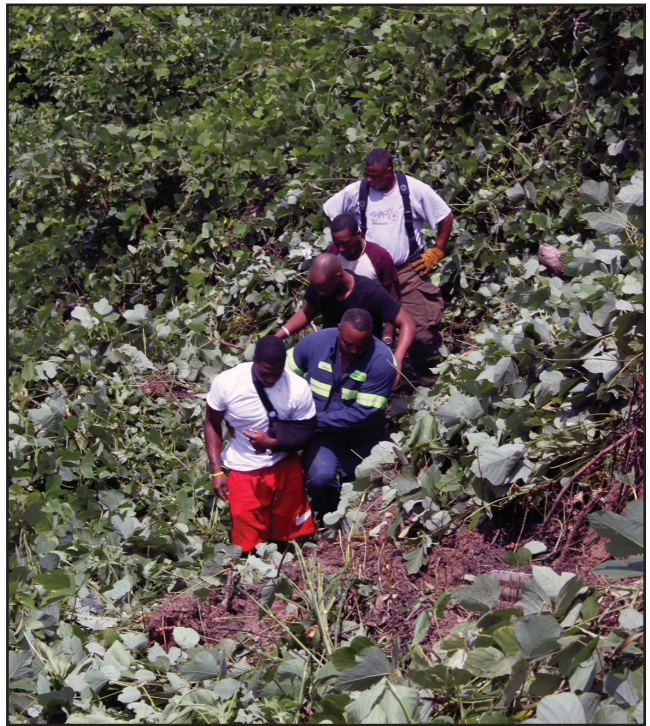
nal also will meet with students.

With private support, including a grant from the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation, the consortium is able to provide the preparatory summer academy and the advanced courses to

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Lexington Mayor-Elect Robin McCrory (pictured above with raised hand) was administered her oath of office by her cousin and judge, Edward Ellington, at the swearing in party and victory celebration hosted by McCrory on Friday, June 23. The event was held at the Holmes County Arts Complex on the Court Square in Lexington with a packed venue. McCrory is also pictured with her husband, Frankie McCrory (holding Bible) and Ellington (at right) with family and friends flanking her. McCrory's official first day in office as mayor is July 1. (Photo by Matthew Breazeale)



A one-car accident on MS Highway 12 west about one mile from S.V. Marshall Elementary School occurred on Thursday afternoon, June 22. Two passengers and a driver were reported trapped in the vehicle. There did not appear to be any skid marks on the asphalt from where the vehicle left the road. Acona and Lexington officials responded to the call. No injuries were reported as Mississippi Highway Patrol spokesman Ray Hall said MHP "doesn't release information on a non-injury crash." (Photos by Matthew Breazeale)

Holmes County 7-Day Forecast for JUNE 29 - JULY 5 as reported on THE WEATHER CHANNEL

						
Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Scattered T-storms	Scattered T-storms	Scattered T-storms	P.M. Thunderstorms	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Sunny
86/73	85/73	86/73	89/73	91/73	90/73	90/74
Precip. Chance 60%	Precip. Chance 60%	Precip. Chance 60%	Precip. Chance 60%	Precip. Chance 10%	Precip. Chance 20%	Precip. Chance 20%

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