

**IN AND AROUND  
LEXINGTON**  
BY LEONA (LENA) FIELDS

Ms. Corean Randle is at home recuperating from leg surgery. Mr. Lee Henry Wright and Ms. Lou Ethel Morgan's sister-in-law's wake was Tuesday, January 30 at Porter and Sons Funeral Home at noon. She was buried in the Morgan Cemetery near Wade Chapel Church in the Bowling Green Community. For Heart Day, February 2, the senior citizens at the Multi-Purpose Building (feeding center) wore red in observance of heart Day. **Intended for the week of February 1:** Willie T. Beamon of Tchula passed Friday night, January 19. He was funeralized at the Trinity M.B. Church on Friday, January 26 at 10 a.m. Prior to his death, he had been real sick for a long period of time. He was the brother of Ka-

tie Horton in Tchula and Evelyn Jones of Chicago, Illinois. Keep the Beamon, Horton and Jones families in your prayers. Ms. Corean Randle spent two days in the Greenwood-Leflore Hospital last week. She is at home doing fine. Her brother Robert is in and out of some doctor's office regularly but now he's at home doing fine. The picture of the quilt that the sewing ladies at the Multi-Purpose Building in Lexington quilted had their picture and their names printed under the quilt. One name was omitted by oversight. The lady in the wheelchair is Mrs. Mary Wesley. Mrs. Margaret Cobbins is able to come back to the lunch program at the Multi-Purpose Building in Lexington. We are



**Letter to the Editor**

Last Monday I went to the Durant Library and asked about the repairs on the library. I was told the mayor had come by and the work was suppose to start that week. Last Friday I passed by the library they were working on the top of the library. I said 'What a blessing.' On the old city hall, it's a shame to see windows broke out of the former Masonic Hall at the corner of Highways 12 and 51. It looks like the city doesn't care about it, that is a shame. My opinion is that it could be turned in to a Durant museum. It could have the history of Durant also families could donate or loan their collections to the city for display.

On our city contractors, I was talking to my neighbor, we were saying Durant contractors have made so much money off of the April 30, 2017 storm, they don't want to work any more. My neighbor has tried to get contractors to come and check out her trailer house. On one side of her trailer no electricity, it rains behind the walls, mold has started forming in her trailer. Contractors in Durant have been giving my neighbor the run around. This is a shame, there are lots of work still needing to be done in Durant, cleaning up our town. What the Samaritan's Purse left is still there in some places in Durant, it's a shame. I don't understand why it is also taking so long to finish the senior citizens' building

in Durant. rant and do the work the local contractors don't want to do in our neighborhoods. Frances Patterson Durant, 1-29-18



Delta Dawn, shown by Tyler Diffey, won Supreme Heifer in the 2018 Holmes County 4-H Livestock Show that was held on Saturday, January 27 at the Holmes County Livestock Barn in Lexington. (Photo by Julie Ellison)

glad to have her back. Let's congratulate Principal Charles Lacy and the teachers for the amount of students they had on the second nine weeks honor roll. I hope the community agrees with me when I say "Keep up the good work" to the principals, teachers and students at the Holmes County Central High School. Let's pray that the other students will study harder and strive to be on the future honor rolls. Fred Horton of Tchula is still doing good. He was at the family hour for his Uncle Willie Beamon Thursday evening January 25 at Porter and Sons Funeral Home in Lexington. He was able to attend his uncle's funeral on Friday, January 26.



**ROWENA GORDAN**  
Holmes Community College Grenada, Associate Degree Nursing program students, visited with lawmakers at the Capitol on Wednesday, January 24, speaking with Senator Robert L. Jackson in the process. Holmes County native Rowena Gordan was among the students.



Grayson Marshall showed the Reserve Champion Crossbred during the 2018 Holmes County 4-H Livestock Show that was held on Saturday, January 27 at the Holmes County Livestock Barn in Lexington. (Photo by Julie Ellison)

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On Friday January 26, Holmes County district reading fair winners participated in the regional reading fair in Jackson at The School for the Deaf and Blind. Several student placed with one student placing first that will get to compete in the state reading fair in February. Everyone did so well and had a great time. Pictured above (from left to right) front row: Bobby Stewart, Aaron Davis, Corey Bridges, Zebulum Wilson, second place, Jimmie Porter, Sariah Porter, Matthew Jefferson, first place, Madison King; back row: Reginald Davis, Issac Randle, second place, Takandra Teague, Kaitlyn Kimbrough, second place, and Mikiyah Branch, second place. Not pictured: Derrick Huntley, second place. (Photo submitted)

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**Happy 20th Birthday Katie!**

**Life is not the same without you.  
The Sun still rises in the east and darkness falls at night,  
but nothing now seems quite the same  
each day is not as bright.  
The birds still sing, the flowers grow,  
the breeze still whispers too,  
but it will never, ever be the same world without you.  
It's so sad that you had to go,  
your leaving caused such pain,  
but you were so very special and earth's loss is Heaven's gain.**