

Pre-K Bee Winners



Pictured above (from left) Jace Huntley, 1<sup>st</sup> place, Aubree James, 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner, and Destiny Jackson, 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner, placed in the Pre-K Spelling Bee at Williams-Sullivan Elementary this past week. The students learned to spell the kindergarten Dolch Sight Words. They will compete in the second round in April against the kindergarten winners. Williams-Sullivan Elementary is the only school in the Holmes County School District that has a Pre-K program. (Photo submitted)

DURANT NEWS  
by Rowena Hill

The First Baptist Church Choir presented the Easter musical “Redeeming Love Has Been My Theme.” It was sung Saturday afternoon at First Baptist Church, Lexington and Sunday at 5 p.m. at First Baptist Durant. Mrs. Gale Sheppard was the director. Soloists were Rita Rodgers and David Irby. All enjoyed fellowship and food following the performances.

The family and a host of friends are very thankful that Mrs. Katherine Cagle is home from the hospital and feeling better. Prayers continue for her and the family.

Mrs. Joey (Jackie) Hill went

with daughter Jodi (Derek) May to Jackson Monday. Jodi is very special to this writer. Probably because she is my sweet granddaughter.

Shirley and Sammy Higginbotham of Clinton visited the Hills Saturday and attended the Easter musical at First Baptist Church in Lexington Saturday afternoon.

Friends of Mrs. Renee Breazeale are thankful she has recovered well after an attack from a pitbull dog several weeks ago.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Eddie Ruth Boatman because of the loss of a family member during the week.

Many local youth with the Mayor’s Youth Council participated in a Unity Walk around town Saturday at noon raising awareness against community crime.


Residents are excited and thankful that plans are for a new plant to come to town. Hope all goes well and fast.

Friends and family are thankful that Jasper Edwards is home and recovering from surgery last week in Jackson.

Family and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Plez White send love and prayers to him as he is house bound and unable to attend church services. All love and look forward for complete healing from the church and congregation.

May God bless and give healing to all our residents and non-residents especially those who aren’t well.

For news items of interest to our community please call me at 601-519-5330.



**Bridal Registry**

*Hallie Murtagh  
Bailey Rutledge  
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*Molly Sutton  
Wesley Dew  
June 9, 2018*

*Amanda Jones  
Drew Broyles  
June 9, 2018*

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Health info breached  
for some MSDH patients

On Monday, March 26, letters were sent to Mississippi residents notifying that protected health information such as name, date of birth, social security number or lab results was accidentally released to J Michael Consulting, a contractor for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). This could have resulted in an unauthorized disclosure since the information was not meant to be shared.

On January 30, 2018, the Mis-

issippi State Department of Health (MSDH) became aware that an employee unknowingly emailed an Excel spreadsheet containing patients’ protected health information. This information was sent January 25, 2018. Each person who mistakenly received the spreadsheet said they deleted all traces of the email from their inbox and did not share the email or what was in it. It is unlikely that the personal information was viewed

by anyone. However, because this email was sent unprotected, there is a possibility that it was seen by someone who could misuse it. MSDH has taken steps to increase security and lessen any harm that could be caused to any individual patient.

Due to insufficient contact information, some clients whose information was included in the spreadsheet may not have received a notification letter. If a client was treated at the Mississippi State Department of Health or any of its clinics in 2017 and is concerned about possible unauthorized disclosure of information, they may contact Nicole

Litton or Christin Williams at: 601-576-7874.

The MSDH recommends contacting the three major credit card companies to check your financial information: Equifax (800) 525-6285, Experian (888) 397-3742, and TransUnion (800) 680-7289.

The Mississippi State Department of Health will offer free credit monitoring protection for one year, for clients whose information was included in the spreadsheet. If any clients have questions or want to sign up for the free service call Nicole Litton or Christin Williams at: 1-866-458-4948 or 601-576-7874.

Hinds scholars from county announced

Hinds Community College President’s Scholars and Deans’ Scholars have been named for the Fall 2017 semester. President’s Scholars are those with a cumulative 4.0 grade point average. The following area students are among those who have been recognized:

Natalie Anderson of Cruger; Tiffany Johnson of Goodman; Lawankia Farley of Lexington;

and Thaddius Thompson of Tchula.

Deans’ Scholars are those students with a cumulative 3.5 to 3.9 grade point average.

The following area students are among those who have been recognized:

Sawonda Ward of Goodman; Latarolyn Barnes of Lexington; Latiana Day of Lexington; and Allijahjuan Wade of Lexington.



Lexington native and Mississippi State University horticulture alumnus Phillip Watson (pictured at left) was named a Distinguished Fellow in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences’ Department of Plant and Soil Sciences. Watson received a Bachelor of Science degree in Horticulture in 1976. Watson began his 20th season with QVC this year and was recently nominated for the QVC Excellence Award. He has published two books, *Pleasure Gardens* (2010) and *Garden Magic* (2015), which chronicle garden design projects and tell stories about Mississippi. Pictured with Watson is Plant and Soil Sciences Professor and Department Head Mike Phillips.

(Photo submitted)

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Crop	CBOT Month	Delivery Period	Futures Price	EGT Basis	Net Price	Change
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Wheat	Jul 18	2018 July	4.72	-0.22	4.50	-0.05
Milo	Dec 18	2018 Aug-Sep	3.97	-0.36	3.61	-0.02
Corn	May 18	2018 Mar	3.74	0.00	3.74	-0.03
Corn	Sep 18	2018 Aug	3.89	0.03	3.92	-0.03
Soybeans Sidon	Nov 18	2018 Aug-Sep	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Soybeans G'wood	May 18	2018 Mar	10.26	-0.14	10.12	-0.03
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Soybeans Minter City	Nov 18	2018 Aug-Sep	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rice	Mar 18		12.460			0.100
Rice	Nov 18		11.855			0.160
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