

## Three months too soon Jaguar's lady lifters finish season 2nd at championship

Goodman family shares their story of 105 days in Neonatal ICU

By Matthew Breazeale

An expecting mother has contracted walking pneumonia, preeclampsia, started suffering kidney failure and will soon deliver her first child, three months early.

That was the truth Kisha Flanigan and husband Jason of Goodman had to face while anticipating the birth of their son Karter. They planned for a February 2016 delivery, instead it was November 2015.

Kisha and Jason Flanigan along with son Karter were selected as the March of Dimes Ambassador Family 2018.

March of Dimes is a nonprofit organization that works to improve the health of mothers and babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth and infant mortality. An organization the Flanigans have embraced fully in adjusting to new ways of life.

The Flanigans will lead a one-walk at Trustmark Park in Pearl this Saturday morning at 9:00 in the fund-raising/awareness event. Kisha has been sharing her family's story with area news outlets and publications about the birth of Karter. Kisha shared that story with the *Herald* as well.

Due to Kisha having been diagnosed with walking pneumonia at the start of her third trimester, Karter had to be taken early in



Pictured above, Kisha (at left) and Jason holding Karter. (Courtesy photo)

order for her to be treated. ("Karter) was only sick because he was born early, I was the reason why though," said Flanigan.

"Being in the NICU for 105 days, I was able to meet other mothers that had gone through the same, also the NICU nurses and doctors at Merit Health River Oaks were a comfort. Merit Health is a big part of March of Dimes. The other moms had

helped us get through by sharing their stories. Most of the stories were very positive, some had actually lost their babies or their babies didn't make it.

Most of the other families whose babies we met, survived and thrived. March of Dimes has a lot of stories on their page just like ours. I would read someone's story every night, when (Continued on page 3.)



The Holmes County Lady Jaguars finished second in the MHSAA Class III Powerlifting Championships on Saturday, April 21. Lifters who placed were: 3rd place finished - Brea Portis 114lb wt class; 2nd place finished - Kendal Garnett 123lb; Precious Banks 165lb; and Mercedes Black 198lb; 1st place finishers - Tynesha Roberson 97lb and Akilah Myles 220lb. Tyrekia Fisher, Ashley Rucker, Kynoshia Montgomery, Amber Epps and Zharia Johnson also competed for the Jaguars. The Lady Jaguars finished the season 6-1 while winning championships in Class III Region 2 and Class III North State. Team members and their weight class are: 97lb - Tyneisha Roberson; 114lb - Brea Portis; 132lb - Kendall Garnett, Diamond Dubose, Shawayne Young and Onikka Gaillon; 148lb - Tyrekia Fisher; 165lb - Precious Banks; 181lb - Kynoshia Montgomery and Ashley Rucker; 198lb - Amber Epps, Mercedes Black and Ke'Aira Banks; 220lb - Akilah Myles; SHW - Zharia Johnson, Shaniqua Jackson, Shaquinetta Jackson and Breanna Adams; Managers - Alexandra Hillard, Carmilla Randle and Erika Bullock. (Courtesy photo)

## Lady Trojans advance to North State, Trojans win district

By Matthew Breazeale

On Wednesday, April 18, the Central Holmes boys and girls varsity track teams competed in the District 1 AA track meet at Marshall Academy.

In the meet between Winona, Oak Hill, Marshall, Carroll and Central Holmes Academies for the district championship, the Lady Trojans won all 14 individual races and field events and won all 4 relay races.

The Lady Trojans totaled 156 points. North State field events were held Wednesday, April 25 and running events will be on Saturday, April 28.

Individuals placings for the girls were: 100 meters - Shelby Lindsay, 1st; Lindsey Turner; 5th; 100 meter Hurdles - Jordan Pritchard, 1st; MacKenzie Ward, 2nd; 200 meters - Jordan Pritchard, 1st; Lindsey Turner, 2nd; 300 Hurdles - Cameron Martin, 1st; Shelby Lindsay, 3rd; 400 meters - Rayne Tate, 1st; Hayley Haffey, 2nd; 800

meters - Breann Bell, 1st; Cameron Martin, 2nd; 1600 meters - Breann Bell, 1st; Hayley Haffey, 2nd; 3200 meters - Breann Bell, 1st; Hayley Haffey, 2nd; Shot Put - Brantley Holder, 1st; Louanna Garrett, 2nd; Discus Throw - Morgan Bigbee, 1st; Addie Burrell, 3rd; High Jump - Rayne Tate, 1st; Shelby Lindsay, 3rd; Long Jump - Jordan Pritchard, 1st; LK Rutledge, 3rd; Triple Jump - LK Rutledge, 1st; Cameron Martin, 2nd; Pole Vault - Christyn Allen and Madison Adcock tied for 1st; 4 x 100 meter relay - 1st (Tate, Rutledge, Lindsay and Pritchard); 4 x 200 meter relay - 1st (Tate, Rutledge, Lindsay and Pritchard); 4 x 400 meter relay - 1st (Tate, Lindsay, Martin and Haffey); 4 x 800 meter relay - 1st (Bell, Martin, Haffey and Carr).

The Trojans garnered the 2018 Boys Varsity, District 1, AA Championship with a six point win.

Individual placings were: 100 meters - WyKece Johnson, 3rd; Pacey Thompson, 4th; 110 Hurdles - Artino Brown, 2nd; Nathan Taylor, 3rd; 200 meters



Pictured above, both Trojans teams pose at the track and field events held at Marshall Academy on Wednesday, April 18. (Photo by Amy Lindsay)

- WyKece Johnson, 1st; Pacey Thompson, 5th; 300 Hurdles - Artino Brown, 3rd; Taylor Robinson, 4th; 400 meters - Noah Steen, 3rd; Taylor Robinson, 4th; 800 meters - Jurden Engle, 2nd; Xavier Hammond, 3rd; 1600 meters - Bradley Robinson, 4th; Jurden Engle, 5th; 3200 meters - Jurden Engle, 3rd; Noah Steen, 4th; Shot Put - Pearce Edwards, 3rd; Discus - Pearce Edwards, 1st; Taylor Robinson, 2nd; High Jump - WyKece Johnson, 1st; Lake Melton, 2nd; Long Jump - Nathan Taylor, 2nd; Xavier Taylor and Thompson); 4 x 400 meter Relay - 2nd (Robinson, Hammond, 3rd; Triple Jump - Hammond, Wyley and Steen); 4 x 800 meter relay - 1st (Wyley, Hammond, 3rd; Pole Vault - Jones, Melton and Engle).

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