Setting Up Shop



Affordable Funeral Home of Durant held its grand opening and ribbon cutting on Tuesday, May 1. Located at 390 East Madison Street, the new business was welcomed David Truitt, Mrs Frankie by local Durant officials and citizens. Pictured above are (from left): Edward T. Hol- (Judy) Bledsoe and William mes, funeral director; James and Veronica Smith, owners; and Lillian Jamison.

Funding the Fun



Sylvia Clanton, pictured above (second from left), forwarded her good fortune, after winning the 2018 America's Farmers Grow Communities Monsanto Fund, to the YoungLife Club at Central Holmes Christian School in Lexington. The \$2500 donation will be used to help offset the costs of attending summer camp for students, according to school officials. Picture above (from left): Jennifer Phillips, Clanton, Kasey Meyers, Christi Morgan, Jean Hughes and Clyde Dixon. (Photo by Melanie Davis)

Stars of the Boys and Girls Club



It was a night of stars and Oscars during the Boys and Girls Club annual awards banquet on Thursday, May 3 in Lexington. The club recognized locals and community leaders that have contributed to the Lexington Unit of the Boys and Girls Club of the Mississippi Delta and for individual accomplishments. Awards were presented by Cristy Teague, program coordinator, and Kay Bradley, CYCDC program director. Musical entertainment for the event was provided by Stefan Mathis and Holmes County Central High School Jazz Ensemble. A total of fourteen winners were awarded. Picture above (from left sitting): Barbara Riley, Tomeka Redmond, Dr. Angel Meeks, Bessie Dedeaux and Barbara Brooks; Standing (from left): Rev. Charlie Ray Tyes, L.C. Tate, Dwayne Williams, Danny Johnson, Henry L. Simpson, Cordarious Dorsey, Leroy Riley, Kristie Montgomery and Helen Teague. (Photo by Kawanna Horton)

DURANT News

by Rowena Hill

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Michelle Burrell, First Baptist Church met at May God bless and give daughter of Buck and Nell Burrell, because of the recent death of her husband. Prayers are for the family. Sorry this writer is not familiar with her married name.

We at First Baptist Church regret that Mrs. Gale Sheppeard has resigned as music leader and moved to Pearl. She will be greatly missed. She has a host of Holmes County friends.

Prayers are for those of our community who are undergoing surgery this week. Those who I'm aware of are: Henry Hathcock. William Henry now lives in Flowood but we still claim him as part of this community. May God bless you all with success and healing.

The Sallis School Reunion was held Saturday at the school building in Sallis. There was a fair crowd but not so many as expected, probably because of the weather.

Mr. Francis Brantley returned to his home in Arkansas last Thursday after visiting with friends in the area for several days. Sympathy is extended to Francis and the family due to the death of his brother Marion. He lived in Florida but grew up here.

Joey and Jackie Hill attended the college graduation of their son-in-law, Warren Conner, in West Virginia during the week. He spent 20 years in the Navy as a Navy Seal. Congratulations to him on his retirement.

Mrs. Earnest (Bessie) Easterling of Jackson and Mrs. Allene Harvey of Memphis spent time with me during the weekend and attended the Sallis School Reunion. Bessie was the leader for the program.

A group of ladies from the Kosciusko hospital. Kaffey's on Saturday eve- healing to Milton Hoover, ning for their monthly meet- Harold Payton, W.R. Martin ing. A good program was and William Henry Hathenioved.

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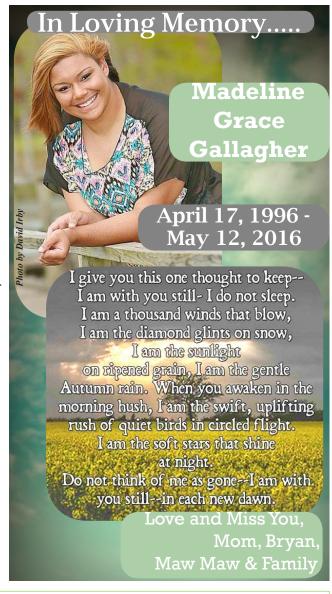
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