

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Deadline:**  
**Friday, 4pm.**

**GUIDING LIGHT COGIC**  
Guiding Light C.O.G.I.C. will host Vacation Bible School from Monday, June 4 through Friday, June 8, startig at 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. People ages three to adults are welcome.  
5-24,31

**TRINITY M.B. CHURCH**  
Trinty M.B. Church will host its Annual Church Anniversary on Sunday, June 3 at 11 a.m. along with morning service.  
5-24,31

**SUNNY MOUNT**  
Sunny Mount, Big Mount Zion, Macedonia and Rock Port M.B. Churches will host a combined 9th Year Anniversary for Bishop C.D. & First Lady Minnie Mitchell on Sunday, June 3 at 11 a.m. at Sunny Mount M.B. Church.  
5-24,31

**ALCORN ALUMNI**  
The Alcorn State University Alumni will have its annual picnic on Saturday, June 9 at 11 a.m. Holmes County State Park. All alumni members, ASU students/parents and supporters of ASU are welcome. For more information and to RSVP call 662-834-3898.  
5-24,31

**WYF INC.**  
The Wesley Youth Foundation Inc. in partnership with other organizations will host the “Connecting the Dots” Family Fun Day at the Warren Yazoo Mental Health Center in Yazoo City on Saturday, June 2 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. This event is free

**DURANT LIBRARY**  
The Durant Public Library will begin registration for summer programs through Friday, June 8. Children ages 5-12 can register for the events starting with Lindsay Fitts from MMRLS on June 12. Other presenters include Dorian Lachance, The Mag-

ic Man, Move to Learn, Dan the Banjo Man and a petting zoo. Teen programs begin Wednesday, June 13 through July 19 with a Christmas in July program by Friends of the Library. Full schedules are available at the library.  
5-31;6-7

**COXBURG DAY**  
The Annual Coxburg Day will be held at the Coxburg Community Center in Lexington on Sunday, June 10 with worship at 11 a.m. and lunch at 12:30 p.m. The afternoon program will be at 1:30 p.m. Door prizes will be given away. All former students, teachers, employees and friends are invited to the former school grounds in the Coxburg Community, 15 miles south of Lexington.  
5-31;6-7

**COXBURG METHODIST**  
Coxburg Methodist Protestant Church will have Homecoming on Sunday, June 3 at 10 a.m. A pot luck lunch will follow at noon.  
5-31

**JSBAR**  
The Jennifer Sterling Brown Animal Rescue of Holmes County will hold a garage sale at Cohen’s Department Store on the Lexington Court Square on Friday, June 1 and Saturday, June 2, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
5-31

**NEW PORT M.B.C.**  
New Port M.B. Church in Lexington will host its Seventh Annual Family and Friends Day on Sunday, June 10 at 11 a.m. Lunch will follow.  
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## Ebenezer native promoted to Lt. Colonel



**Curtis J. Garrette (pictured center) deputy state inspector general for the Mississippi National Guard, was promoted to lieutenant colonel on Thursday, May 17 by Maj. Gen. Janson D. Boyles (pictured left), the adjutant general of Mississippi, and the honorable Brig. Gen. (Ret.) William L. Waller Jr., chief justice on the Supreme Court of Mississippi, in the Joint Force Headquarters auditorium in Jackson. Garrette is a native of Ebenezer and has held his position for five months.**  
(U.S. Army National Guard photo by Staff Sgt. Scott Tynes)

## Outdoor Truths

By Gary Miller

Three days last week, I rolled out of bed at 4:30 in the morning to meet some friends at the lake. Two of those days were spent with friends from North Carolina and the other day with a local friend who wanted to take his young son on a special trip. Our guide was another friend and Outdoor Truths sponsor, Mike Allen. He guides in the local lakes for big stripers. (Shoot me an email if you would like to go.)

These half-day trips are plenty long enough to catch lots of fish and get plum puckered out! Everyone in these groups went home with some great stories around their time on the lake in East Tennessee. My job, however, was not to fish but to help Mike guide. I was the glorified gopher whose main job was to bait hooks, net fish, and take pictures. I may have had the most fun.

What always intrigues me

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about these trips is watching Mike find fish. The truth is, while we caught about 30 fish each day, the bulk of the time we spent locating where the fish actually are. Since Mike doesn’t stay all night with them, each morning his first job is simply finding where they meandered to during the night.

Once that is accomplished, the fun begins, until they leave in directions unknown. Then we set out to find another school in another part of the lake. Sometimes this process is not very long and other times, It’s a big part of the day.

On one of our three days, we went about 2 ½ hours before wetting one line. When we did, however, we caught 16 fish in about 15 minutes. At one time, there were four fish on at the same time. Now that was fun!

For many years of my Christian life, I spent most of my time ministering just to

be ministering. I never gave much thought to whether the holes I was fishing in had fish or not. I thought God never really cared about effectiveness, only effort. I thought He didn’t care about being strategic or about spending time finding the places and the people who are most receptive. I thought waiting and watching was wasting time. Boy was I wrong!

I later learned that if you want to catch the most fish, go where the most fish are. Does that mean that one can’t be effective at random or in an unseemingly effective place? No, but doing ministry according to the exceptions and not the rule is like catching a fish next to the dock and deciding to sell your boat because from now on, you’re going to fish from the dock. It may work on occasion, but if that was the most effective way, everyone would be doing it.

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



I talked to Mrs. Katie Horton last Thursday. She said her son Fred Horton is feeling pretty good. He wants to come home, but his doctor says “not yet.”

I asked Mrs. Deborah Wright about her brother Robert Randle. She says he’s OK. Emma Carnegie is doing pretty good; however, these rainy days are not good on her pains. To be honest the rain might not be good for anybody’s pain. Old folk (old wives tales) says rainy and cloudy weather causes pain.

Mr. Joe Russell is being tormented by gout. I think Mr. Charles Wren is too.

I saw Mrs. Ann Williams in Super Dollar one day last

week. She told me she enjoys reading the “In and Around Lexington” column. Ann and her husband Hermon owns the One-Stop Store on Highway 17 north in Lexington.

Here is a word of advice for parents. School is out, parents please know where your teenage children are. Crimes are being committed regularly. Let your teenage children know you are grown; they are not. So they need to obey you. Leave your small children with responsible people. It would be good to enroll your children in good summer programs and activities, rather than allow them to roam around with no summer job or supervision.

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