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Red Brick Ride set for July 4

Cyclist departure times

for Red Brick Ride

8:30 a.m. 11-mile Family Fun route

route rides depart

7:30 a.m. 62-, 40-, and 25-mile

Special to The Clinton Courier

Clinton's annual Independence Day bicycle ride has a new name and start-

ing point. Renamed the Red Brick Ride, the annual event will now begin in Olde Towne Clinton at the intersection of Jefferson and Leake Streets.

This year's event will offer four routes that Wednesday morning: 11 miles (Family Fun Route), 25 miles, 42 miles, and 62 miles, with multiple rest stops along the way.

Registration includes an event t-shirt and a post-ride lunch provided by a local restaurant.

Check-in begins at 7 a.m., with 7:30

and 8:30 a.m. departure times, depending on choice of route. Check-in will be held at Clinton's City Hall. Parking will be available behind City

Hall and at First Baptist Church.

The ride will start on the corner of Jefferson Street and Leake Street on the historic brick streets of Olde Towne Clinton, at 300 Jefferson Street.

Early registration is open through June 26 at clintonms.org/cycling. The cost is \$35 per cyclist for early registration, \$40 after June 26 through July 3. Day-of registration will be \$45. Route maps will also be available on the website.

For more information on the Red Brick Ride, call 601-924-6082.

Annual Teacher Incentive Package goes paperless

Special to The Clinton Courier

The Clinton Public School District is going paperless with its annual Teacher Incentive Package program.

For the tenth year, CPSD is partnering with area businesses and community organizations in an effort to recruit and retain great teachers. Through the Teacher Incentive Package, businesses are asked to offer across-the-board discounts or one-time offers for Clinton educators.

"Traditionally, we've asked local businesses to print fliers that were assembled into bags to give our teachers when they returned in August," said program organizer and Public Information Officer Sandi Beason. "But now we are going paperless, and the fliers will be sent directly to teachers' email addresses."

CPSD uses a service called PeachJar to send out electronic fliers to students and employees. PeachJar is used during the school year to replace paper

fliers that traditionally went home in backpacks. PeachJar will be used for the Teacher Incentive Package, as one more way to fulfill the district's larger goal of going paperless.

There is no fee to participate. The only requirement is that fliers be submitted by the July 27 deadline.

"Last year, our teachers received coupons for free food from restaurants, discounts on merchandise at retail stores, and special rates on things like gym memberships," she said. "Teachers really appreciate the support from local businesses. We got great feedback from our educators as well as the participating businesses."

All contributing businesses will receive social media recognition as well as a sign suitable for framing or posting online stating that they support Clinton teachers.

For more information or to submit fliers, call 601-924-7533 or email sbeason@clintonpublicschools.com.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority celebrates Clinton students

Special to The Clinton Courier

The Clinton Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, celebrated the scholastic achievement of the top African-American students from Clinton, Raymond and Terry high schools during the chapter's annual May Week program at New Oak Ridge Missionary Baptist Church.

The May Week Observance is one of several signature programs to emphasize scholastic achievement, educational opportunities and encouragement of higher scholarship. Clinton High School honorees included Tionna Anderson, Jala Banks, Kaitlyn Dortch, Zaria Evans, Michaela Gibbs, Eryka Greene, Tammera Gooden, Julian Kingston, Cynthia Myles and Chelsea Waddell.