



John Hudson Word showed the Champion Hampshire in the 2019 Holmes County 4-H Livestock Show held Saturday, January 26 at the Holmes County Livestock Barn in Lexington. (Photo by Julie Ellison)



Lilly and Bennett Word showed the Grand Champion Market Hog with their Market Barrow in the 2019 Holmes County 4-H Livestock Show held Saturday, January 26 at the Holmes County Livestock Barn in Lexington. (Photo by Julie Ellison)



Malachi Williams wins the 10 – 11 year old Beef Showmanship competition at the Delta District Livestock Show in Greenwood. Malachi has been showing beef cattle for the past 3 years. (Photo by Betsy Padgett)



Carley Williams wins Pee Wee Beef Showmanship in Greenwood at the Delta District Livestock Show January 30. Carly has been under showmanship instruction of cousin – Davian Powell. (Photo by Betsy Padgett)



GREAT GOATS!!! Tyler Branch (far right) and Jordan Brooks (middle) are pictured with awards that they stacked up at the Delta District Livestock Show in Greenwood this past week. Pictured with them is Skylar Johnson, Jordan’s little sister who also showed in the Pee Wee Show. Both Jordan and Tyler won their respective Goat showmanship competitions with Tyler being awarded a scholarship along with showmanship win. Between the two, they dominated the Meat Goat show at the district taking Champions in most of the divisions with the pictured goats. (Photo by Betsy Padgett)



John Thomas Murtagh is pictured maneuvering through the obstacle course that the Delta Show’s judge set up to “find” his consummate Senior Swine Showmanship winner. John Thomas completed the course flawlessly and captured the honor after demonstrating his skill to all that were on hand. John Thomas also showed the Champion Spot, and Reserve Champion Chester at the Delta District Livestock Show. (Photo by Betsy Padgett)

DURANT NEWS

by Rowena Hill

Prayers and concerns are for those of our family and/or community who continue to be sick especially Mrs. Joe Crowder and others. We think of them often and look forward to good days again soon.

Milton and Jean Hoover also haven’t been feeling well again and haven’t been

back at church for several weeks. Hope to see all soon.

Mrs. Katherine Cagle is now home but still continues to feel sick. May God bless and heal our loved ones and those who are sick in our community.

We are glad to learn that Bro. Lyn Nations is going to continue leading our

congregation’s study into the Book of Acts on Wednesday night at First Baptist Church. Come join us, all are welcome at the Lord’s house.

Mrs. Joey (Jackie) Hill left Monday to visit family members in the northern states (not sure where). She doesn’t see them often. Her mother isn’t well.

Mrs. Shirley Hill Higginbotham and Jan of Clinton spent Friday night and Saturday with me, Joey, Jackie

County natives earn degrees from Jackson State University

The following Jackson State University students graduated during the Fall 2018 commencement ceremony held in the Lee E. Williams Athletics and Assembly Center on Friday, December 7, 2018:

and Mark before Jackie left for her visit with her mother and others.

Soweto Anderson of Durant, graduated with a Bachelor of University Studies degree in University Studies and;

Bobby Henry of Tchula, graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Health, Phy Ed & Recreation

Jackson State University celebrated its 141st graduation at the Fall 2018 com-

mencement ceremony on December 7, 2018.

Robert Earl Kelly, ‘77, was the guest speaker at the commencement exercise.

President William B. Bynum, Jr., PhD, recognized students, stating, “You are the personification of what it means to be a JSU Tiger and your values, beliefs, and spirit only enhances our already rich legacy of 141 years.