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Lady Trojans fall in state semifinals, finish 4th overall

Staff Reports
The Central Holmes Lady Trojans' season came to end this past Saturday after falling to the Manchester Academy in the consolation game of the AA State Tournament. It was the farthest the Tro-

jans had advanced in a state tournament in girls basketball since 1994, which is also the same year the Lady Trojans won their only state title in basketball. The Lady Trojans finished the season 28-5.



The Lady Trojans will return three starters from this past season's team, but will sorely miss their two seniors, McKenna Polk and Laura Kathryn Rutledge.

The Trojans played Centreville Academy in the first round on Wednesday, February 20. The Lady Trojans did not play well for most of the game and found themselves down five with 13 seconds to go in the game.

Sophomore shooting guard McKaylee Polk drained a 3-pointer to cut the lead to two and was immediately fouled following a steal with six seconds to go. After mak-

Pictured left, Central Holmes sophomore Breann Bell drives the ball up the court on the fast break during the Class AA Tournament that was held at Benton Academy from Monday, February 18 through Saturday, February 23.

(Photo by Amy Lindsay)



Central Holmes Christian School senior McKenna Polk #25 shoots for two during the Class AA Tournament that was held at Benton Academy from Monday, February 18 through Saturday, February 23.

(Photo by Amy Lindsay)

ing the first free throw, McKaylee Polk missed the second shot which was rebounded by Hayley Haffey and time-out was taken by the Lady Trojans.

The Lady Trojans inbounded the ball and were able to find McKaylee Polk open on the wing. She launched a last second 3-point attempt which glanced off the glass, bounded around the rim for a second before dropping through for the game winner as the shot expired. The final score read Trojans 46, Centreville 44.

Sophomore McKaylee Polk led all scorers with 14 points with sophomore Breann Bell and senior Laura Kathryn Rutledge chipping in nine points each.

On Friday, February 12, the Lady Trojans faced off against a Brookhaven Academy team that are the reigning state champions (and who are moving up to AAAA following this school year) in the AA State semifinal game. This game saw the Lady Trojans in a battle.

Jaguars end season in round two of tourney against Olive Branch



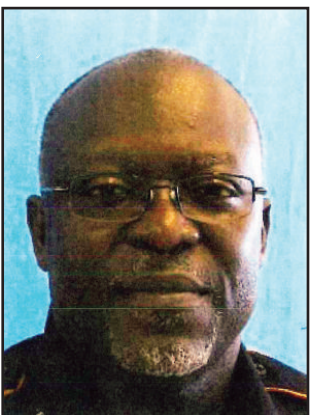
The Holmes County Central Jaguars lost Saturday's, February 23, neutral playoff game against Olive Branch Conquistadors by a score of 66-65. The game is a part of the 2019 MHSAA Boys Basketball Championships - Boys 5A Tournament. Pictured above (holding ball) Jaguar senior Jartavia Greer #5, defends the ball against an Olive Branch opponent during Saturday's game.

(Photo by Avery Rucker)

Former Holmes County health inspector arrested for embezzlement

Press Release
A former health inspector of the Mississippi Department of Health was booked into the Holmes County jail on Wednesday following a two-count indictment charging him with embezzling and altering public records, announced Attorney General Jim Hood.

Willie Anderson, 59, was indicted on one count of embezzlement. Anderson is accused of accepting cash monies from employees and owners of food establishments in Holmes County. Count two in the indictment charges the defendant with falsifying public health de-



WILLIE ANDERSON

partment records belonging to the Mississippi Department of Health. Both counts are felonies.

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They got off to a hot start 6-0, but Brookhaven was led by some spectacular shooting were up eight points at the half, 28-20. The Lady Trojans went back and forth with Brookhaven hitting timely shots to cling to the lead and with 3:08 left in the 4th quarter, the Lady Trojans found

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Precip. Chance
30%

Sunday
Showers
50/31
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Monday
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Tuesday
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