

Putting health care skills in play



On May 17, 2019, the Holmes County Consolidated School District's Career Tech Center students traveled to Emerald Transformers in Lexington, to provide basic health screenings for the entire staff. Shintri Hathorn, CTC principal, and Emerald's leaders organized this field trip to provide the Health Science students an opportunity to implement the practical skills they learned in class. This learning experience also allowed Emerald Transformers' administrators to demonstrate concern for their team members. The future healthcare professionals demonstrated skills such as customer service, communication, blood pressure readings, calming patients with anxiety concerning needles and taking individual glucose level readings under the direction of their instructor, Janice Washington. The health science students conducted a similar off-site health screening at Hunter Engineering, Inc last year. Hunter Engineering serves as an active industry-advisory member for the Career and Technical Center. The students remarked that these off site practical labs allow them to practice their skills on real patients versus their classmates. Pictured above (from left): Justice Grisby, Jatoni Donelson, Shernard Garrett, Brandi Gordon, Jakayla Quinn, Radera Harris and Jessica Jackson. (Photo submitted)



July 25 - Jennifer Killgore, Rhonda Thomas, Dea H. Bowling, Ethan Burton, Curtis Johnson, Patricia Smith, H. E. Brooks, Jr.

July 26 - Patsy Thomas, Buford Wigginton, Gaye Joiner, Daniel Parrish, Alyssa E. Killebrew, Megan McCleskey, C. J. Mangum, Ashlyn Tate, Ashton Tate, Addison Berry

July 27 - Bertha Ervin, Jan McCrory, Mike Turner, Kellie Jo Hutchison, Shiloh Wommack

July 28 - Christy Coleman, Anna Diffey, Roosevelt Givens, Hal Hammett, George McLellan, Ana-Claire Edwards, Jeffrey Fratesi, Belinda Waddell, Fred Gilmer

July 29 - Thad Killebrew, Pam Drake, Sherry Givens, Seth Starns, Adrianna Millwood, Angela Patton, Brylee Davis, Edward Pierce

July 30 - Rosemary Bailey, Pam Williams, Bryce Purvis, Parker Jenkins, Johnny Murtagh, Latasha Sumerall, Terry Stebly, Marquis Martin

July 31 - Bertha Williams, Mike McBride, Ran'Darius Butler, Avery Rucker, Mollie Rosen Dillenkoffer, Butch Pepper, Shannon Berry, Terrance Miller

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out these side ditches and drainage pipes, there will be less need to handle the issue during rain storms.

Frances Patterson
Durant

Students from county attend Delta Council, recognized for school efforts



Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning Board of Trustees President Hal Parker Jr. and Former Mississippi Delta Educator Dr. Cass Pennington hosted 140 high school seniors, who were chosen by their high school administrators, were honored on the Delta State University campus on June 7, preceding the Delta Council 84th Annual Meeting. Public, private and parochial schools throughout the 18 Delta and part-Delta counties selected at least two honor graduates based on leadership, extra-curricular, scholastic and community service. Holmes County natives Brantley Holder and Peyton Killebrew, both of Central Holmes Christian School, were chosen to attend. The honor graduates were presented with a certificate of recognition signed by Parker and medals by Pennington, in acknowledgement of their achievements not only in the classroom, but also as promising future leaders of the Delta. Pictured at top (from left): Dr. Cass Pennington, Brantley Holder and Hal Parker Jr. Pictured above (from left): Pennington, Peyton Killebrew and Parker Jr. (Photos submitted)

first place. It's like making a folder on your computer for certain types of pictures or documents and only finding one picture or document that fits in the folder. In one way you are hoping for other occasions to add to the folder, but it seems that nothing ever fits like that first file. There are a few things like that in my life. A first degree. A first accomplishment. A first purchase. All of these things were so special to me then and still hold their own special place today. But what really matters are not fish or firsts but moments when someone wrote something or said something that caused me to change into a better man. It was a sentence that wowed me. It was a lesson that challenged me. It was a gesture that took me aback. You see while things like these may deserve a place in their own folder; unlike fish and firsts, their benefits continue not just as motivation but as actual ingredients that mold me every day. So, this week don't forget that while you are making memories someone needs you to become a good one for them.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

It is starting to look good on North Jackson Street/ Highway 51. I love that house next to the old Piggly Wiggly. It did not take two years to fix up that house, it took less than a week. Others should start fixing up there places. Quit playing around, clean up and fix up your place and move on.

In my opinion, the city should hire people to help keep the grass around town cut. People that are in the grass cutting business could help keep the grass cut in town. There's supposed to be an infestation of fleas and ticks. It is very important to keep the grass cut. In some places the city could kill the grass. People need to clean up their property. I have not seen the fog truck this year in Durant. I am sure the West Nile Virus is still around.

day, up town was jumping, the streets were crowded and stores were full of shoppers. It was a good time living in Durant. Then it was on of the cleanest small towns in Holmes County.

Property owners should be given time to clean up their property. If they don't, the city should charge the a fee, put it on the bottom of their light bill. These efforts would also help keep down on the rodents, rats and squirrels that live in tall grass.

Also the city needs to start cleaning out the side ditches and drainage pipes before it starts to flood the streets in low areas around town. Rain is coming. If the city workers would go ahead and clean

I know there are people in Durant that remember what the town uses to be like back in the day. We had good business in town. They were mostly mom and pop businesses, supermarkets, factories in our town. On Satur-



The summer can be slow for bass fishermen. The water is warm and the oxygen that fish need for peak activity is not found in warmer water. Therefore they tend to go deeper or become more active when the days are at their coolest. That's why early in the morning is some of the best time to be on the lake or river. My favorite way to start is by being ready to cast my first bait when the sun is barely peeking over the horizon. One must take advantage of every minute the fish are active because in the summer those minutes are few. As many of you know, my favorite way to wake bass up this time of year is with a top water bait. The sound of this plug echoes

for unknown distances at the break of day and each plop signals to the fisherman to be ready for what might be lurking just below the surface. The combination of sight and sound can at times be just too much for nearby bass to ignore. And for the fisherman, the crash of water just behind that bait can also be as addictive as well. Once you see and hear that unique moment, you will place it in its own mental compartment, and nothing will ever join it.

Thankfully there are other moments that deserve their own special place. I imagine me making a file and labeling it with that moment but never adding anything else to the file except that which caused me to make it in the

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Corn	Sep 19	2019 Jul	4.22	-0.03	4.19	-0.09
Corn	Sep 19	2019 Aug	4.22	0.01	4.23	-0.09
Corn	Sep 20	2020 Aug	4.22	-0.14	4.08	-0.04
Soybeans Sidon	Nov 19	2019 Aug	9.06	-0.20	8.86	-0.14
Soybeans G'wood	Aug 19	2019 Jul	8.88	-0.19	8.69	-0.14
Soybeans G'wood	Nov 19	2019 Aug	9.06	0.01	9.07	-0.14
Soybeans G'wood	Jan 20	2020 Jan	9.19	-0.04	9.15	-0.13
Soybeans Minter City	Nov 19	2019 Aug	9.06	-0.12	8.94	-0.14
Rice	Sep 19		11.900			-0.045
Rice	Nov 19		12.100			-0.020
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