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Ball, meet bat...



Team members of Central Holmes Lady Trojans continued last week playing for Motion 18U coached by Jerry Polk and Dodd Lindsay and competed at the Fastpitch American Softball Association World Series Tournament in Branson, MO, taking 2nd out of 13 teams. Scores from last week: Wednesday, July 17 - Motion 18U defeated the Lakers 8-6, the St. Louis Crushers 4-3 and the Fusion 11-1; Thursday, July 18 - Motion defeated the Prospects with a score of 10-0 in the third inning; Friday, July 19 - Southern Cal Athletics fell to Motion 13-0 in the 2nd inning; and Saturday, July 20 - Motion fell to the Arkansas Dingers 3-1 in game one, shut out the Fusion with a score of 8-0 in game two but suffered their final loss to the Arkansas Dingers in the championship with a score of 6-3. Pictured above, incoming Lady Trojan junior, McKaylee Polk drives the ball up the middle for a base hit. See more photos on page 7.

(Photo by Amy Lindsay)

State tax free holiday set for July 26 and 27

Staff Reports

Shoppers and deal hunters will be on the prowl for bargains ahead of this month's sales tax holiday on Friday, July 26 and Saturday, July 27.

The Mississippi Department of Revenue (MDR) has announced this year's guidelines on tax free goods across the state and what items are eligible. Beginning new this year, school supplies are now included in the tax free weekend.

All clothing, footwear and school supplies under \$100 can be purchased minus the 7% state sales tax.

Sen. Chuck Younger co-authored the bill that passed last year and said it's long

of specific products and/or services.

Passed by state legislators in 2009, the seven percent state sales tax is not due on that sale of articles of clothing or footwear if the sales price of a single item is less than \$100, regardless of how many items total are sold at that time, according to the state guidelines.

"For example, a customer purchases two shirts at \$50 each, a pair of slacks at \$75 and a pair of shoes at \$110. No sales tax is due on the sale of the two shirts and the pair of slacks at a cost of \$175.00, even though the combined cost exceeds the one hundred dollar (\$100) threshold. However, Sales Tax is due on the entire \$110.00 for the shoes since they exceed the one hundred dollar (\$100) threshold,"

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Dept. of Human Services fails to verify eligibility of SNAP recipients, other infractions in state auditor report

Office of the State Auditor

Several Mississippi state agencies failed to meet legal requirements to spend public money and do not have adequate safeguards to prevent fraud according to a report released Monday, July 22, by State Auditor Shad White.

These findings came from the auditor's newly released FY 2018 Single Audit Report, which includes an audit of federal dollars spent by Mississippi's state agencies. The report also includes an audit of the internal controls—the rules and systems to prevent fraud—and operations of selected state agencies.

"These audits represent months of difficult but important work by my finance and compliance audit division," said Auditor White. "This is a critical yearly report that, unfortunately, shows there are serious issues in some of our state agencies."

The Department of Human Services (DHS) was the subject of several significant findings in the report. The report notes that DHS:

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Rain, rain go away










A partially eroded road was the scene Monday morning, July 22, for Lexington city workers attempting to access the city's sewage lagoon off Brozville Road. Lexington Mayor Robin McCrory said the road crosses over a creek and that the damages are being assessed. Lexington saw extensive rain amounts Saturday, July 20, and increasingly Sunday morning, July 21, leading to flash flooding reportedly in several areas in Lexington. The north side of Depot Street in Lexington between Church's Chicken and Life Help suffered flooding the majority of Sunday. According to the National Weather Service analysis data, Lexington received up to five inches of rain on Sunday.

(Courtesy Photo)

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Thursday Sunny 87/64 Precip. Chance 10%	Friday Mostly Sunny 90/67 Precip. Chance 10%	Saturday Partly Cloudy 89/69 Precip. Chance 20%	Sunday Partly Cloudy 87/70 Precip. Chance 20%	Monday Scattered T-Storms 86/71 Precip. Chance 40%	Tuesday Scattered T-Storms 84/71 Precip. Chance 50%	Wednesday Scattered T-Storms 85/71 Precip. Chance 40%

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