

Lexington native attends national youth leadership forum

Press Release

This summer July 27 – August 4, Kalyn Jefferson from Yazoo City, took part in join high school students from across the nation to take part in a unique academic development experience, the National Youth Leadership Forum (NYLF): National Security, Diplomacy, Intelligence, Defense, on the campus of University of Maryland in College Park, Maryland. NYLF enables students to explore their interests and experience learning beyond the classroom. After completing this program Jefferson will receive college credit from George Mason College.



KALYN JEFFERSON

Jefferson is a 2019 graduate of Yazoo County High School and she received her Associates of Arts degree from Holmes Community College June 2019. Jefferson

was nominated to attend the forum by one of her professors and is a member of the National Honor Society, National BETA Club, Yazoo County ACT 20+ Club and Phi Theta Kappa Society. Jefferson has enrolled into the University of Mississippi to major in computer science.

Jefferson looks to become a drone pilot/cyber opera-



August 8 - Brittney Nichole Roberts, Dr. Charles Campbell, Hastings Bullock, Bill Warrington, Stephanie Bonds, Emily Perry, Brett Spell, Ellen Carr

August 9 - Jimmy Floyd Thomas, Kasey Mooneyham, Paul Bilsky, Carrie Sumner, Hayes Hester

August 10 - Olivia McBride, Shannon D.

tions with United States Air Force or Cyber Security with Homeland Security.

Jefferson is a native of Lexington and the daughter of Michael and Linda Jordan-Jefferson, sister Kirsten Jefferson and the granddaughter of Lizzie Jordan and Nola C. Edwards of Lexington.

Fratesi, Trey Ferrell, Randy Stewart, Alison Jones Johnson, Vickie Nabors Ressig, Phillip Watson, Julia

Goodman graduate tapped for physician scholarship program

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Four University of Mississippi students and two recent graduates have been selected to participate in the undergraduate portion of the Mississippi Rural Physicians Scholarship Program.

The students are: Katelyn Barnes, daughter of Donna Barnes and the late Scotty Barnes, of Tishomingo, a junior majoring in biological sciences; Riley Brown, daughter of Oatis Wilfred Brown III and Kimberly Rusty Brown, of Gautier, a senior majoring in biochemistry; Jamie Johnson, daughter of Janee Conner and Mark Johnson, of Falkner, a junior majoring in biological sciences; Nader Pahlevan, son of Amir and Amalia Pahlevan, of Biloxi, a senior majoring in computer science; Jamie Riggs, daughter of Alton and Jackie Haley, of Goodman, who earned a bachelor's degree in biological sciences with a minor in chemistry; and Cole Stephens, son of Craig and Shaye Stephens, of Mantachie, who earned a bachelor's degree in biochemistry.

Created in 2007, MRPSP identifies college sophomores and juniors who demonstrate the necessary commitment and academic achievement to become competent, well-trained rural primary care physicians in the state.

The program offers undergraduate academic enrichment and a clinical experience in a rural setting.

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August 11 - Jessica Gilbert, Verniece Brooks, Anna Fletcher Hill, Dorothy Redmond, Jennifer Wigley Deston, Christian Goering, Lamar Chisolm, Jr., Wes Harrell, Cole Allen

August 12 - John Hudson Word, Doyle Gilmore, Sr., Makayla Moore, Annie G. Brown, Mitchell Smith, Amanda Saffold, Robbie Anderson, Lane McLemore

August 13 - French Smith, Noah Lawson, Megan McBride, Tim Joiner,

Katherine Randle, Olivia W. Anderson, Lindsey Netherland-Killebrew, Joey Netherland, Richard Chisolm, Kim Kennedy, Amy Johnson, Diane L. Scott

August 14 - Christine Brooks, Mark Langford, Jeffie Alford, Keith Bethany, Alice Hodges, Nick Rogers, Maddox Murtagh

Mail carrier retires



Local Rural Mail Carrier Tommy Haffey has retired after 31 years of service.

(Photo submitted)

*Prosecutor

(Continued from page 1.) while awaiting a trial even though Sample's lawyer said the state crime lab hasn't determined the cause of death for McKayla Winston.

Winston was found dead in early July on a road in Holmes County.

The Clarion Ledger reports that prosecutors told the judge cellphone messages and other evidence showed Sample and Winston met the night of June 28 when Winston was last seen.

Authorities say Sample told investigators he hadn't spoken to Winston in at least three weeks.

4-H standouts top competition at southeast regional horse show

By Betsy Padgett

Holmes Co. Ext./4-H Agent

Holmes County 4-H'ers traveled to represent Mississippi at the Southeastern 4-H Horse Regionals in Perry, Georgia -- and came out on TOP!!

These guys had an August to remember – starting off their first Friday and Saturday, August 2 and 3, with heavy performances in national region runs against some of the “southland’s” best.

Tredell Meeks, Jr. won the Pole Bending competition out of 98 top competitors from 11 states. He also

placed 5th in Stake Race and Breakaway Roping, and was in the Top 20 in Barrel Racing. Scoring Top 20 in all his speed runs (Stakes, Barrels, and Poles) also, was Anthony Meeks – who took 4th place in Breakaway Roping as well. Let me credit their partners – Tredell's “Daisy” and Anthony's “Charlie Girl.”

These horses showed that there is nothing slouch about what our kids ride and train either.

This competition was Tredell's third visit to the regionals, having gone in 2017 and again last year. Each

year he has climbed in the standings – until this year posting second OVERALL in Speed events – earning Reserve Champion Speed High Point designation and each year doing so on Daisy.

To rise to this level in any competition takes hard work, dedication and family support.

Kudos to all of the Meeks' support group and to these guys for their relentless practice and loving care of their partner/horses.

Thank you for carrying the banner of Holmes 4-H beyond our borders in such stellar fashion.



Holmes County 4-H'ers Tredell (left) and Anthony Meeks (right) took Top 20 in all their events at the Southeastern 4-H Regional Horse Show in Perry Georgia this past weekend. Tredell won the Pole Bending competition against 97 other competitors.

(Photo by Betsy Padgett)

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