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Recurve archer takes aim at world championship

By Matthew Breazeale

When you ask archer Sherry Harrell-Pugh what it means for her to compete on the world stage, don't be surprised if she becomes emotional. It is emotional. The highs and lows are commonplace when a person pours herself into every aspect of "hitting the mark."

Sherry's mark is playing for Team USA at the World Archery 3D Championship set for this September in Lac La Biche, Canada. Archers from all over the world will be there.

The definition of 3D (Three Dimensional) Archery is a shooting format in which archers walk a target course in the woods or through fields, sometimes both.

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Pictured above, Archer Sherry Harrell-Pugh shows off her USA Team jersey she'll don at the World Archery 3D Championship. (Photo by Matthew Breazeale)

Back to school for Central Holmes



Central Holmes Christian School students attended half a day of classes on Monday, August 5. Pictured above, fellow K-4 students (from left) Aldy Grace Nowell, Jennings Meeks, Ben Cain and Walker Wentworth, talk about their favorite books.

(Photo by Matthew Breazeale)

State auditor names county officials for "misappropriated or misspent public funds"

Staff Report

State Auditor Shad White announced on Monday, August 5, the release of an annual report listing the instances of misappropriation,

Prosecutor: Woman killed after saying she would keep baby

Associated Press

A prosecutor says a 33-year-old Mississippi man killed his 21-year-old pregnant girlfriend after finding out she was not going to give the baby up for adoption.

A judge ruled Friday, August 2, there was enough evidence to keep murder and kidnapping charges against Terence Sample and hold him in jail (Continued on page 3.)

misspending, or theft of public funds over the last fiscal year.

The Audit Exceptions Report for Fiscal Year 2019 shows the Mississippi Office of the State Auditor issued 64 formal demands - 24 more than the previous year - and identified over \$4.6 million to be returned to taxpayers.

Exceptions refer to accounting errors or violations of the law which result in misappropriation, misspending, or theft. The status of each exception made by audits and investigations in FY 2019 and those issued previously and still pending full repayment are listed by county in the report. The Auditor's office recovered over \$1.5 million from individuals involved in these cases last year.

In the report, Holmes County officials listed are as follows: Holmes County Board

of Supervisors, Supervisor Eddie Carthan, Supervisor Public Carthan, \$184,184.12. Status: On April 17, 2019, a formal demand was issued in the amount of \$184,184.12. On May 6, 2019, this case was transmitted to the Office of the Attorney General. For Fiscal Year 2019, no payments have been received.

Town of Tchula, Alderperson Larry Jefferson, Salary Overpayments, \$9,331.08. Status: On March 10, 2017, a formal demand in the amount of \$9,331.08 was issued and transmitted to the Office of the Attorney General on May 11, 2017. For Fiscal Year 2019, no payments have been received; Alderperson Dolly Collins, Salary Overpayments, \$10,636.83. Status: On March 10, 2017, a formal demand in the amount of \$10,636.83 was issued and transmitted to the Office of the Attorney General on May 11, 2017. For



Pictured above (from left), Langford brothers Chance, Jon and Brayden enter the Central Holmes Elementary School building on their way to second, sixth and first grades respectively Monday morning, August 5. See more Central Holmes Back to School photos on page 22.

(Photo by Matthew Breazeale)

Fiscal Year 2019, no payments have been received; Alderperson Tina Cross, Salary Overpayments, \$9,053.58. Status: On March 10, 2017, a formal demand in the amount of \$9,053.58 was issued and transmitted to the Office of the Attorney Gen-

eral on May 11, 2017. For Fiscal Year 2019, no payments have been received; Alderperson Cleveland Whiteside, Jr., Salary Overpayments, \$11,861.17. Status: On March 10, 2017, a formal demand in the amount of \$11,861.17 was issued and

transmitted to the Office of the Attorney General on May 11, 2017. For Fiscal Year 2019, no payments have been received; Alderperson Rogerine Johnson, Salary Overpayments, \$11,861.17. Status: On March 10, 2017, (Continued on page 5.)

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