

Northside Baptist Church offers free play on Feb. 17

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As part of its 50th Anniversary year of celebrations, Northside Baptist Church planned two events for February, Black History Month. The first event was held on February 3, and the second is set for February 17.

On February 3, Sharon Miles, Education Director at New Stage Theatre in Jackson presented her solo performance, *Let It Shine! A Visit with Fannie Lou Hamer*, during morning worship. The play, created by Frank Kuhn and Sharon Miles, depicts the life of the woman from sharecropper

in Ruleville, Mississippi, to civil rights activist for the nation. Through songs and conversation, Miles embodied Hamer in the awe-inspiring story of a life that made a difference.

The second offering, which is open to the public, will be on February 17 at 6 p.m., when the New Stage Theatre of Jackson will present *If Not Us, Then Who? Freedom Rides to Freedom Summer*, an original play with music which chronicles two historic events that made an impact on American history and Mississippi in 1961 and 1964. This production, with

songs from the freedom movement, encourages people to remember the importance of working towards a common good. The play features stories from famous participants like Fannie Lou Hamer and Senator John Lewis, as well as lesser-known

heroes like James Zwerg and Diane Nash, whose stories culminated in one historic summer. There will be an opportunity after the production to ask questions, as well as refreshments in the narthex of the church. All are welcome to attend.

Living Young Group plans Mystery Tour

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The Living Young group, which meets at the Wood Activity Center as part of the City of Clinton's Therapeutic Recreation (TR) program, invites all area seniors to participate in their spring "Mystery Tour," set for Tuesday, March 26.

Trek Travel Programs, who will take care of the transportation and tour plans for the trip, will lead the group on a day of fun and education to discover some of the hidden treasures of the South.

"Spring is a great time to travel; the weather is not too hot and not too cold, and the leaves begin to get their color back," said Therapeutic Recreation Director Chandra Fontenot Broomfield. "There's just so much to look forward to when traveling. Don't worry about making your own plans and driving alone - let us take care of the details, while you just enjoy the ride!"

"Trek Travel Programs has planned tours for the Living Young group for more than ten years, and they never disappoint!" said Broomfield.

The tour is set to leave from Traceway Park the morning of Tuesday, March 26. Reservations are required for the tour and are made when payments are received. The cost for this tour is \$79 per person.

Checks can be made out to TREK Travel and mailed to Wood Activity

Center, 111 Clinton Boulevard, Clinton, MS 39056. The final day for payment is March 8.

For more information, call the Wood Activity Center at 601-924-6387.



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