

Peggy's Ponderings

It's just passed six o'clock in the morning and the sun has not yet slipped over the horizon and touched the earth. The heavy morning dewdrops slide off the red tin topped roof over our back porch and the grass is soaked with the wetness. Everything is quiet and still as the day awakens, all except for the two big green John Deere tractors as they puff smoke from their tall exhaust and rumble as they pull out of the barn. This is the time of the season, passed the season really, for the remainder of the tall grasses to be harvested from our hay fields to feed the big black cows during this next non growing season.

Everything here on the Circle S is winding down from the busy time of year and it seems even Mother Nature is preparing for a lazy spell. The garden has been bushed hogged to the ground, my outside flowers and blossoms have never looked so tired and worn-out, and it just seems as if everything has slowed to a snail's pace.

Over in the woods, especially in the bottoms and valleys, there are small trees with the bark completely rubbed off the lower trunks and branches as the deer be-

gin their moving and shifting through the thick underbrush. The last two times I have been to town, I've had to stop on the main road to allow a mama deer and her new fawns to cross. I wonder if they know or sense that THE SEASON is quickly approaching when their lives will be lived in fear of the hunter's guns. My people love to hunt the beautiful creatures and I have always



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known I could never pull the trigger on one of the big



September 22 - Jada Williams, Louise Gilmore, John Franklin Johnson, Alvin Jordan, Jr., Andrea Adams, Nick Nichols, Dakota Rutherford, Jenni Montone, Gregory Anderson, Cooper Hood
September 23 - Bret Burnley, Tom Killgore, Carl Britt, Franky McCain, Diane Niven, Tina Smith
September 24 - Lisa Hooker Huddleston, Luke Eaton, Jessica O'Reilly, Owen McCloskey, Nathan

Brown, Jr., Bradlee Cain, Darren Lloyd, Linda Matthews
September 25 - Kelly Killebrew, Deborah Drennan, Rylee Kate Lloyd, Jacob Chadwick, Lilly Jones
September 26 - Mary Hayden Hathcock, Dean Toombs, Tia Johnson, Al Jobe, Parker Belk
September 27 - Wayne Ellis, April McBride, Pat Ellis, Chip Nichols, Anna Howell Nichols, Teresa Falls Bates, Brian Kisded, Emilie Garrett, Patience Bigbee Ables
September 28 - Susan Kuhn Bonner, Jarrett Johnson, Mary Jane Allen, Latoya Horton, Karol Horton, Kathy Horton, Quinten Boyd, Linda Sullivan, Vandalue Redmond Lipsey, Robbie Richardson, Logan Miller, Seam Sallis

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 &
Renewals

The *Holmes County Herald* would like to welcome the following new subscribers: Gloria Ford, Illinois; S. Gist, Durant; James Fritz, Jackson; Robbie Robertson, Sallis; Walter and Pat Sullivan, Virginia; Marvin O'Reilly, Pickens; Anquiana Hassell, Tennessee.

RENEWALS

The *Holmes County Herald* thanks the following subscribers for their renewals: Barbara Brantley, Alabama; BJ Wentworth, Pickens; Gladys C. Heard, Virginia; JC Patton, Lexington; Paul and Gwen Winstead, Pickens; Glenzia Hart, Michigan; Helen Malone, Michigan; Edith Aldridge, Lexington; Johnny Walls, Wisconsin; Mrs. Harvey Ray, West; Leon Carter, Tennessee; John Wynne, Brandon; Raymond Wade,

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daddy bucks. But I assure I have a grandson that is on "get ready go" to bring his first one down.

I always get a little melancholy as the season changes from summer into winter and everything begins to turn that dull shade of brown. I have canned, packaged frozen vegetables, and prepared for winter out here on our little bit of heaven on earth but I still miss the hustle and bustle of summer. I do love

sitting by the fire and reading or "eating boiled peanuts", and I love the holidays that come with the coming season.

It's still warm enough, almost into December to sit on my porch and enjoy a glass of tea or maybe even a good cup of coffee so come on down for that visit.

Need a delicious side dish? This is great.
SOUPER RICE - 1 can

cream of chicken soup, 1 1/2 cups chicken broth, 1 1/2 cups of instant rice, 1/4 cup grated Parmesan, black pepper. Heat soup and broth and stir in the rice, cheese, and pepper. Cover the pan and let stand until rice is cooked and liquid is absorbed.

Peggy Sims is a life-long resident of Attala County and columnist.

Happy Anniversary

September 22 - Dick and Laura Atkinson

September 23 - Chad and Dana Hammons, Richard and Bridgett Chisolm, Jacob and Ashley Williamson

September 25 - Logan and Megan McBride, Eddy and Sheryll Murtagh

September 26 - Rob and Nikki Walker, Brandon Chase and Candice Nicole Barber

September 27 - James and Traci Clardy

September 28 - Robert and Randy Montgomery, James Edwin and Dacey Jo Holland, Jr.

CORA BELL CLARK

Mrs. Cora Bell Clark, 92, of West, passed away on Monday, September 9, 2022 of natural causes. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, September 24 at Winters Funeral Home in Kosciusko at 11:00 a.m. with visitation being held on Friday, September 23. Interment will be in West Baptist Cemetery.

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Obituaries



WILLIAM L. SPELL JR.

On September 17, 2022, William L. Spell Jr., better known as "Bubba Jr.", was called to heaven. He was 53 years old born on March 31, 1969, to William L. Spell Sr. and Madelyn Harthcock Spell of Lexington, MS.

He is survived by his wife Angela Parnell Spell. They had been happily married since August 1, 1992. He is survived by his daughter, Brett Spell Clark, her husband Grey Clark, and his son, Lane Spell. He is also survived by his sister, Rhonda Spell Langford, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, uncles, and friends.

He graduated from Central

Holmes Academy in 1987 and went on to play football at Holmes Jr. College. He continued his education at Delta State University, where he received a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice in 1992. He retired as a Rails Inspector for the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) for 25 years. He was also the owner/operator of Spell's Brushcutting Services.

During his life, he was active in Boy Scouts where he achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. He was active in 4H and enjoyed the activities of fishing, hunting, and rafting. He loved to "tinker" on multiple projects and go "wandering" taking us on many adventures.

His legacy includes, not just his children and family left behind, but his spirit of volunteerism with Central Holmes Christian School, 4H, the Coxburg Community Center, and Boy Scout Troop 64. He was always there to help a neighbor in need. He will be missed by his family and community.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
DEADLINE: FRIDAY, 4:00 P.M.

WEST BAPTIST CHURCH

West Baptist Church will be celebrating its 150th anniversary on Sunday, October 2 beginning at 10:30 a.m.
 9-22,29

Night Out on Friday, September 30 from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at 112 Spring Street (Lexington City Hall).
 9-22,29

MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATIVE BLACK CAUCUS

The Mississippi Legislative Black Caucus will host meetings regarding state agency programs available. It will be held at Saints Academy on Highway 17 in Lexington on Thursday, September 22 beginning at 10:00 a.m. For more information, call 662-299-2769.
 9-15,22

OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Oak Grove Baptist Church in the Tolarville Community will hold a homecoming service on Sunday, October 9 at 11:00 a.m. Lunch will be served afterward.
 9-22,29

BEULAH BAPTIST CHURCH

Beulah Baptist Church on Hebron Road in Lexington will hold homecoming services on Sunday, September 25 at 11:00 a.m. Due to storm damage to the fellowship hall, there will be no lunch or afternoon singing.
 9-15,22

CANCER WALK

The City of Lexington will hold a Cancer Walk on Saturday, October 1 from 9:00 a.m. until 12 Noon at Lexington City Hall.
 9-15,22,29

LEXINGTON NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The City of Lexington and the Lexington Police Department will host National

CITY OF DURANT

The City of Durant will host a Fall Festival on Saturday, October 1 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on South Depot Street. For more information, contact: LaTonya Smith-Gladney or Tremain Johnson at 662-633-9633.
 9-22,29