

# Meet The Coffeeville High School Pirates

## March Student Athletes Of The Month

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**March Coffeeville High School  
Female Student Athlete Of The Month:**  
**Ayunna Smith**



**March Coffeeville High School  
Male Student Athlete Of The Month:**  
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the first one there and waits for the king to summon him. No doubt the palace was dead silent so early in the morning, so the king heard Haman enter the court. "Who's in the court," the king asked. "Haman is here," replied the king's servant. "Send him in," the king ordered. Haman had to be thinking, "Perfect timing! As soon as I got here the king asked to see me. This is going to be easy." The king had to be thinking, "Perfect timing! My right-hand man shows up just when I need advice." As Haman entered the king's court, the king asked, "What shall be done for the man the king delights to honor?" Haman immediately thought the king was talking about him and proceeded to tell the king all that should be done for someone the king wished to honor (Esther 6:7-9). You may have been wondering when Haman was going to get what was coming to him. Well, here is his first dose of humility and humiliation. The king told Haman, "All you have suggested, do for Mordecai!" (Esther 6:10). As you read those words, you can almost hear Haman's ego deflating. I imagine Haman standing there in shock, pale faced and dumbfounded with his mouth hanging open thinking, "King, you have lost your mind. You can't be serious." But it did not matter what Haman thought, the king issued a command, and it must be followed.

Can you imagine how shocked Mordecai was. As he arrived at the king's gate that morning there was Haman waiting for him. Haman bows to Mordecai and presents him with the king's robe and horse then leads him through the city proclaiming his honor. The Bible tells us that after all was done Mordecai returned to the king's gate and went back to serving the king just as he had been doing. Haman

on the other hand went home in shame; his head covered in grief and whining to his wife and friends about all that had happened to him (Esther 6:11-13), but he did not have much time to sulk. Esther 6:14 tells us, "While they were still talking with him; the king's eunuchs came and hastened to bring Haman to the banquet which Esther had prepared." That is where we will pick up next week, but in closing we must again consider the problem of pride. Now you may think, "I don't have a problem of pride," but that attitude is prideful. Throughout history theologians, pastors, and Christian teacher have warned about prides destruction and danger. Early theologians such as Augustine and Aquinas viewed pride as the root of every sin. Evangelist and Christian author John Stott said, "Pride is our greatest enemy." Others such as C.S. Lewis called pride, "the greatest sin." G.K. Chesterton said, "If I had only one sermon to preach it would be a sermon against pride." It is not just Christians who view pride as a problem. The poet T.S. Eliot said, "Most of the trouble in the world is caused by people wanting to be important."

Throughout the Bible we are told of the consequences of pride. It varies a little depending on your translation, but around 100 times the Bible speaks of pride and its consequences. For example, the Bible tells us that pride defiles a man (Mark 7:21-22), it leads to destruction (Proverbs 16:18), it brings contention (Proverbs 13:10). Pride hardens the mind (Daniel 5:20), causes us to deceive ourselves (Galatians 6:3), separates us from God (Psalm 138:6), and makes us an abomination to the Lord (Proverbs 6:16-19). Proverbs 21:4 tells us - "Haughty eyes and a proud heart, the unplowed field of the wicked, produce sin." Pride is recognized as one of the 7 deadly sins, but I

### TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, SGGGS, INC, executed a Deed of Trust to Malcolm D. McAuley, III, Trustee, for the benefit of First Choice Bank, Pontotoc Mississippi, dated February 7, 2024, and recorded in Book 20241 Page 160, in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of the First Judicial District of Yalobusha County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, default has been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by the Deed of Trust mentioned hereinabove and recorded in Book 20241 Page 160; and

WHEREAS, the holder of the Note and Deed of Trust having requested the undersigned Trustee so to do, will on the 8th day of May, 2026, offer for sale at public outcry and sell during the legal hours of 11:00 o'clock a.m. and 4:00 o'clock p.m. at the East front door of the First Judicial District of Yalobusha County Courthouse, in Coffeeville, Mississippi, for cash to the highest and best bidder, the following described land and property lying and being situated in Yalobusha County, Mississippi, and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

The land described as:

INDEXING INSTRUCTION: SE1/4 of the SE1/4 of Section 13, Twp. 24 North, Range 7 East, First Judicial District of Yalobusha County, Mississippi.

4.50 acres, more or less, lying and being in the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 13, Township 24 North, Range 7 East, described as follows, to-wit:

Commencing at USA Monument Number 184 at the Southeast corner of said Section 13; run thence South 89 degrees 33 minutes 38 seconds West a distance of 702.55 feet to the point of beginning.

From said point of beginning, run thence South 89 degrees 39 minutes 16 seconds West a distance of 355.12 feet to the point on the public road (referenced by an iron pin 8.44 feet North); thence North 00 degrees 56 minutes 56 seconds West a distance of 626.10 feet to an iron pipe on the South R.O.W. of the Old M and SD Railroad; thence North 65 degrees 50 minutes 00 seconds East along said R.O.W. a distance of 305.78 feet to an iron pipe; thence South a distance of 551.57 feet to an iron pipe; thence South 24 degrees 18 minutes 28 seconds East a distance of 209.90 feet to the point of beginning.

SUBJECT TO: Road Right-of-Ways and Easements for public utilities now in existence, and mineral reservations and conveyances if any, of record.

TOGETHER WITH ALL BUILDINGS, HEREDITAMENTS AND APPURTENANCES THEREUNTO BELONGING.

I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Trustee. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, on this the 1st day of April, 2026.

*/s/ Malcolm D. McAuley, III*  
MALCOLM D. MCAULEY, III  
Trustee  
MS State Bar No. 8596

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would argue that it is perhaps the deadliest sin.

The problem with pride is that to some degree it infects us all. It is at the very core of our sinful nature. It is the disease behind our symptoms. Sin is like a wall that stands between us and

God, and the foundation of that wall of sin is pride. Proverbs 29:23 states: "A man's pride shall bring him low, but the humble in spirit will retain honor" The question is, "On which side of that comma are you living?"

### NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
COUNTY OF 1ST DISTRICT YALOBUSHA

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants, terms and conditions of a Deed of Trust dated August 20, 1986, executed by MATTIE T. MISTER AKA MATTIE MISTER conveying certain real property therein described to CARY C. LEDBETTER, as Trustee, for UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING THROUGH THE FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, Original Beneficiary, to secure the indebtedness therein described, as same appears of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of 1st District Yalobusha County, Mississippi filed and recorded August 20, 1986, in Deed Book 88, Page 114; and

WHEREAS, the beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was transferred and assigned to UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING THROUGH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE RURAL HOUSING SERVICES (RHS) OR SUCCESSOR AGENCY, FORMERLY FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION; and

WHEREAS, Rubin Lublin, LLC has been appointed as Substitute Trustee; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, as Substitute Trustee or his duly appointed agent, by virtue of the power, duty and authority vested and imposed upon said Substitute Trustee shall, on May 7, 2026 within the lawful hours of sale between 11:00AM and 4:00PM at the north door of the Courthouse proceed to sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds

ONLY, the following described property situated in 1st District Yalobusha County, Mississippi, to wit:

1.0 ACRE, MORE OR LESS, IN THE SW1/4 OF SECTION 28, T25N, R6E IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT, YALOBUSHA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, SAID PROPERTY BEING FURTHER DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT WHICH LIES 86.56 FT. NORTH AND 1208.37 FT. WEST OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SW1/4 OF SAID SECTION 28, PROCEED THENCE ALONG THE WEST R.O.W. LINE OF MISSISSIPPI HWY 7, S 22° 50' E FOR 119.96 FT., THENCE N 88° 49' W FOR 543.91 FT. TO THE CENTER OF DURDEN CREEK, THENCE ALONG DURDEN CREEK, N 3° 11' W FOR 96.41 FT., THENCE N 89° 39' E FOR 502.60 FT. TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: The street address of the property is believed to be 15313 COUNTY ROAD 436, COFFEEVILLE, MS 38922. In the event of any discrepancy between this street address and the legal description of the property, the legal description shall control.

Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee. The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Security Deed, and (3) purchaser's tendering to Rubin Lublin, LLC, anti-money laundering information as required pursuant to the FinCEN Real Estate Report Rule. Failure to provide information, could result in rescission of the sale.

THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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