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Final Youth Drive Meeting This Saturday



The last of three Youth Drive meetings will be held this Saturday, July 12 from 12 noon to 5:00 p.m. at Lions Park. Minister Marcus D. Johnson asks all men to come out and support Leland's young men and children. Activities include 30 minutes of prayer and praise, a basketball tournament with teams of 3 and 4, refreshments, and end of the session prizes and awards. For more information, contact Minister Johnson at 662-347-3183.

Moore and Cannon Named To Hinds CC Honors List

Kendarius Moore of Leland has been named a Hinds Community College Deans' Scholar for the Spring 2014 semester. Deans' Scholars are those students with a cumulative 3.5 to 3.9 grade point average. Additionally, Javus Cannon has been named a Spring 2014 President's Scholar at Hinds Community College. President's Scholars are those with a cumulative 4.0 grade point average.

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Police Chief Addresses Increase Of Burglaries

Leland Police Chief Billy Barber and his investigators are working to identify potential suspects who may be responsible for an increase of house burglaries in Leland this summer. "We're checking the reported list of stolen items against inventories supplied by area pawn shops so that we can track down who brought the items to sell at the pawn shop," said Chief Barber. "We feel like we'll have some qualified leads soon, and it looks like

it may be someone that doesn't live here in Leland." Residents in the Lakeview Acres neighborhood and the south Deer Creek Drive neighborhoods have seen an increase in stolen items, including power tools, 4-wheelers, and lawn equipment. Chief Barber also said that many of the items being stolen were not contained in a secured area. "I want to remind citizens to keep their storage sheds and vehicles locked during

the day and night, when not in use," said Chief Barber. "It's also a good idea to leave lights on at night as a deterrent to criminals." The Leland police department patrols all Leland neighborhoods throughout the day and night as a matter of routine. If any citizen has information regarding the burglaries reported, Chief Barber asks them to contact the Leland Police Department or call Washington County Crime Stoppers at 378-TIPS(8477).

Leland Native, Ashley Harris, Returns To Practice Law



Attorneys Ashley Harris and Josh Bogen.

The law firm of McGee and Bogen has announced the association of Ashley Harris with the firm. Ms. Harris, a Leland native, is the daughter of the late Erma Jean Harris and the granddaughter of the late Jimmie and Addlee Harris. Ms. Harris graduated Valedictorian of Leland High School in 2003 and attended Jackson State University on a full academic scholarship, graduating Summa Cum Laude in 2007. Following her graduation from Jackson State University, Ms. Harris attended the Mississippi College School of Law, where she graduated with a Juris Doctorate degree in 2010. During law school, Ms. Harris was a member of the Frederick Douglas Moot Court Team and the Thurgood Marshall Mock Trial Team. She was also a member of the Black Law Student Association, the Student American Bar Association and served as a Guardian Ad Litem in the Child Advocacy Program. Ms. Harris also served as an Extern to The Honorable Ben Conner, Chief Pub-

lic Defender of Madison County, Mississippi, and worked at the Mississippi Attorney General's Office. Ms. Harris has also served as Law Clerk to The Honorable Margaret Carey-McCray, Circuit Court Judge, and is currently serving as a Special Prosecutor, Youth Court defender and Guardian Ad Litem in the Washington County Youth Court. She also serves as a Special Prosecutor in the Greenville Municipal Court and as a Public Defender in Issaquena and Sharkey Counties, Mississippi. The McGee and Bogen Law Firm was formed in 1969 by Josh Bogen and the late Burrell McGee. "We are very pleased to have Ashley associate with our office and we are especially proud of the fact that she is a Leland native, who brings an outstanding academic background and extensive experience following her graduation from Law School. Leland is very fortunate that Ashley chose to return to her hometown to pursue her career."

Bayer CropScience Presents Grant To Leland Fire Dept



Bayer CropScience presents a check for \$5,000 to the City of Leland for the Leland Fire Department. Shown above, from left to right are: Andy Petro, Al Ziegler, Mayor Kenny Thomas, and Fire Chief Bobby Johnson.

Mayor Kenny Thomas, Alderman Andy Petro and Leland Fire Chief Bobby Johnson were on hand recently to accept a check for

\$5,000 from Bayer CropScience. The check was presented by Al Ziegler with Bayer CropScience. According to Petro, who

is also a member of the Leland Fire Department, the grant will be used to cover expenses for new fire fighting equipment.

GAC, Hot Tamale Festival Calls On Local Artists

The Greenville Arts Council has announced that it is once again partnering with the Delta Hot Tamale Festival in sponsoring the Official Hot Tamale tee shirt and poster design contest. The winner will receive a \$300 cash prize in addition to having their artwork on thousands of posters and tee shirts. "This is a great way to get the public involved, especially our artists, in this fun festival that is drawing

attention from across the country," said Anne Martin, executive director of the Greenville Arts Council. Last year's art competition garnered entries from across the country. The winning design will be featured on the official 2014 Hot Tamale Festival poster and the official festival tee shirt. The deadline to enter the contest is Friday, August 15, 2014. The winner will be announced August 27. A complete list of guide-

lines and how to submit your artwork can be found at www.greenville-arts-council.com and at www.hottamalefest.com. Those interested can also follow the contest at www.facebook.com/GreenvilleArtsCouncil and at www.facebook.com/DeltaHotTamaleFestival. For more information, contact the Greenville Arts Council office at (662)332-2246.

Ducks Take New Crossing Signs Literally

The new batch of Peeking ducks launched on Deer Creek in June are taking the new duck-crossing signs literally. According to City personnel, they are receiving more calls than ever about the new ducks crossing Deer Creek Drive and wandering into the neighborhoods, sometimes up to three or four blocks away from the creek. If you see the group of ducks waddling away from the creek, contact the city humane coordinator. "We never seemed to have this problem before the signs were posted," said duck launch coordinator Stephanie Patton.



"Obviously, these ducks are smarter than we thought."



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Hello Leland

I heard some frustrating news last week. It seems the U.S. Postal Service will be consolidating more postal facilities across the country, and three of them are in Mississippi.

The reason that's frustrating for me, and will be for many of you, is because the last time they shut down the Grenada distribution facility and had all the mail from Leland going through Jackson, it was pretty much a nightmare. I felt bad for our local postmasters. I know they were bearing the brunt of many frustrated customers, and there really wasn't much they could do about it. After all, it wasn't their fault.

When Grenada was shut down, all of my print subscribers outside of the Leland zip code didn't receive their copies of the newspaper until days, sometimes weeks, past when they should have received them. It wasn't just this newspaper; it was all over the state, and it took a while before the postal service re-opened the Grenada center just for periodicals. That helped set things back on track, but it seems now that it was all for nothing.

The new plan has the facilities in Grenada, Hattiesburg, and Gulfport be-

ing affected. Processing in the southern cities will be moved to Mobile, Alabama, and processing in Grenada will be moved to Jackson, making it the only processing facility in the whole state of Mississippi.

That's right. There will be only one processing facility for the whole state.

The announced changes are scheduled to take effect in 2015, and as you can imagine, every medium to small town newspaper publisher across the country is concerned.

One of my publisher colleagues commented to me, after the announcement was made, that "at least *The Leland Progress* has an online, digital edition." And while that's true, the majority of my subscribers still prefer getting the actual printed copy in a paper format.

On-time delivery for subscribers in Leland shouldn't be affected by the changes, but my subscribers outside of Leland -- even if you're as close as Stoneville, Greenville or Hollandale -- will definitely see delays. This is going to call for some creative distribution ideas on my part.

Hopefully, there's still time for some sort of postal reform before changes



By Stephanie Patton
Publisher/Editor

like this put small town newspapers out of business. Or, maybe print folks will warm up to the idea of digital editions. There are a couple of perks to having a digital subscription to *The Leland Progress*. It's only \$26 a year no matter where you live in the world, and I typically have it ready for viewing a day earlier than print subscribers can read their copies.

Now might be the time to give a digital online subscription a try. But hold on to your printed newspapers. They are likely to become collector's editions.

Pause & Ponder



By Lisa Frye Bush

As you're reading this, I am in Vicksburg anticipating watching my daughter, Kaylan Frye, present her talent tonight in the Miss Mississippi Pageant. Our entire household has been here since Monday and we have thoroughly enjoyed ourselves among all of the glitz and glamour of Pageant World. Since this is our first time being "Pageant Mom and Dad", my husband and I are experiencing what other mothers and fathers have been doing for several years running.

For the life of me I can't seem to understand why some of the contestants choose to do this every single year! Like the young people say, "Where they do that at?" (Please excuse the vernacular). Of course the pageant helps secure scholarship funds for the participants, but good grief! Maybe it's just a bit over-

whelming for first-time families, but shopping for dresses, shoes, jewelry, and other stuff while fundraising and running around like a chicken with its head cut off can't be something I would look forward to on an annual basis. To my surprise though, some of these young ladies have been in this pageant for as many as six years now.

Kaylan and forty other young ladies from across the state have been working exceptionally hard preparing for this four-day competition. Having been an athlete for practically all of her life, I don't think that even she imagined being a "pageant girl". I must admit, though, that she has really impressed me with the way she has blossomed into such a beautiful and talented young woman with so much to offer to this great state of ours.

I want to thank so many of you who have encouraged and supported Kaylan during this journey. Your kind words and generous support are deeply appreciated, and we couldn't have done this without your help. The City of Leland has been amazing, and Kaylan is definitely looking forward to bringing the title of *Miss Mississippi* back to her hometown!

Please continue to pray for Kaylan's success, and be sure to tune in to watch the pageant live on WABG TV6 this Saturday night beginning at 8:00 p.m.

GHIO Nominations Now Being Accepted

Submitted to *The Leland Progress*

The Greenville Arts Council's primary fundraising event, *Greenville Honors Its Own* will be held in March 2015 and it is time to nominate candidates for the 2015 awards. For 32 years, the Greenville Arts Council has honored artists with roots in Washington County who have made a significant contribution to the world of art and been recognized outside the Delta for their work.

These awards are an important part of the Greenville Arts Council's mission to promote and support the arts in our area. The community's input is critical to the continued success of this program. Please take some time to review the attached materials and nominate those you think are deserving of this special recognition.

"*Greenville Honors Its Own* gives us the chance to honor and really appreciate the amazing people from Washington County who create wonderful art in all its forms," said Anne Martin, executive director of the Greenville Arts Council. "There is no better way to pay homage to these artists and raise funds for the arts council than *Greenville Honors Its Own*."

The 2015 *Greenville Honors Its Own* will be on March 20, 2015. Nomination forms can be found online at www.greenville-arts-council.com. You can also pick up a form in the GAC office at 323 S. Main

Street in Greenville or contact the office at 662-332-2246 to receive a form in the mail. Nomination forms are due by Sept. 30, 2014.

The Greenville Arts Council is seeking nominations in the following categories:

Artist—The Artist Award is given to an artist with Greenville/Washington County roots who has achieved recognition outside the Delta for his or her work. The nominee need not currently reside in Greenville.

Bert Miller Volunteer—This award is given to the volunteer who has given time and energy to support the arts in Greenville for little or no compensation.

Arts in Education—This award is given to an educator who has enriched the lives of many with his or her support and enthusiasm for teaching, and love and knowledge of the arts.

Business—This award is given to the business that

has displayed dedication to supporting the arts in Greenville through monetary and/or in-kind donations and/or through the commitment of their leadership and employees.

Special Achievement—This award is given to a person, organization or group of individuals who have contributed greatly to the cultural vitality of Greenville/Washington County.

Georgie Fisher Lifetime Achievement—This award is given when the committee feels that such recognition is warranted by the recipient's lifelong achievement to the arts throughout their professional career. This individual is an artist that has devoted their life to the arts. They no longer need to reside in Greenville/Washington County.

Chuck Jordan Lifetime Contribution to the Arts—This award is given to a person or person's family who has truly devoted

their life to the promotion of the arts through patronage, supporting arts events and programming or owning businesses related to the arts. This is given to a person or person's family that has resided in Greenville/Washington County for a number of years.

Greenville Honors Its Own is the Greenville Arts Council's annual fundraiser. Proceeds from this event go toward supporting the Greenville Arts Council's many community programs and initiatives including arts education, summer arts programs for children, rotating displays of local and traveling visual arts exhibits in the Roger D. Malkin Gallery, lectures, artist's talks, movie screenings, art classes, workshops and much more. For more information about *Greenville Honors Its Own* or the Greenville Arts Council, please contact the arts council at 662-332-2246.

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Groups Team Up To Help Farmers Improve Irrigation Efficiency

Submitted to The Leland Progress

An upcoming series of on-farm demonstrations will show soybean farmers how they can save time and money – as well as water – when irrigating.

The Mississippi Soybean Promotion Board (MSPB), Mississippi State University (MSU) Extension Service and other organizations that are part of the Delta Sustainable Water Resources Task Force will host a series of summer irrigation Turnrow Talks later this month across the Delta.

Each meeting will demonstrate on-farm water conservation practices that can help farmers be more efficient irrigators.

“We wanted to undertake some follow-up efforts after the successful series of meetings we held this winter, where we saw an overwhelming interest in water conservation,” said MSPB Chairman Jan de Regt. “Through MSPB’s Sustainable Irrigation Project (SIP) Initiative, we are committed to a long-term effort to promote water conservation measures. We appreciate the support of

the Delta Sustainable Water Resources Task Force on this important effort.”

Local farmers will present at the talks, along with MSU irrigation specialist Jason Krutz, Ph.D., and state soybean specialist Trent Irby, Ph.D.

The talks will offer farmers the opportunity to learn how:

• PHAUCET can help farmers cut irrigation time by 20-40 percent;

• Surge valves could improve irrigation efficiency by up to 25 percent;

• Soil-moisture sensors could cut in half the number of times a farmer irrigates;

Using all three tools can reduce water use by 47 percent while maintaining yield.

“The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) is excited to be a part of this effort,” says Kay Whittington, director of MDEQ’s Office of Land & Water Resources.

“Promoting and advancing water conservation practices is a high priority for the Delta Sustainable Water Resources Task Force. The SIP initiative is a great example of a producer-

led effort to promote water conservation.”

Farmers and media are invited to attend one of the following irrigation Turnrow Talks. For directions and additional details, call the county extension office at the number listed below or visit www.mssoy.org/turnrowtalks.

July 23

9:00 a.m., Tunica County, Richy Bibb’s farm Extension Phone: 662-363-2911

11:00 a.m., Coahoma County, Pete Hunter’s farm Extension Phone: 662-624-3070

3:00 p.m., Quitman County, Chris Talley’s farm Extension Phone: 662-326-8939.

July 24

9:00 a.m., Bolivar County, Nathan Buehring’s farm Extension Phone: 662-843-8361.

11:00 a.m., Sunflower County, Harper Ross’s

farm Extension Phone: 662-887-4601.

2:00 p.m., Leflore County, Reese Pillow’s farm Extension Phone: 662-453-6803

4:00 p.m., Tallahatchie County, Ray Hardy’s farm Extension Phone: 662-647-8746.

July 25

9:00 a.m., Washington County, George King’s farm Extension Phone: 662-334-2670.

11:00 a.m., Humphreys County, Jeremy Jack’s farm Extension Phone: 662-247-2915.

3:00 p.m., Sharkey County, Clark Carter’s farm Extension Phone: 662-873-4246.

6:00 p.m., Yazoo County, Dee Paul’s farm Extension Phone: 662-746-2453.

Please note: Farm locations are subject to change.

Visit www.mssoy.org/turnrowtalks for up-to-date information.

Delta Cotton Belles See Increase In Requests For Breast Cancer Services

Delta Cotton Belles, the breast cancer support organization based in Washington County, is reporting a significant increase in requests for services from Delta women who have been diagnosed with breast cancer.

“Since this Spring, we’ve seen our requests for wigs and transportation assistance more than double our typical amount,” says Docia England, Support Services Coordinator for Delta Cotton Belles. “We’ve also continued to receive requests for mastectomy bras and prosthetics.”

England believes the increase in requests is due to more physician referrals and expanded marketing efforts by the organization. “We’re really trying to get the word out that Delta Cotton Belles is here to help women in a variety of ways after they learn that have breast cancer,” says England. “Our program called Wrapped in Pink is available to any woman in the Delta who has been diagnosed with breast cancer. The services are all free, and include wigs, prosthetic fittings, breast forms/bras, post surgical supplies, support groups, and more.”

The Wrapped in Pink programs are partially funded by a generous grant from The King’s Daughters and Sons Circle Number Two. Other funding comes from the Delta Cotton Belles’ biggest annual fundraiser, the Delta Cotton Belles Tennis Tournament. This year’s tournament has been set for Saturday, September 27 at the Greenville Golf & Country Club. Delta Cotton Belles was established in 2007 with an initial fundraising tennis tournament that collected over \$16,000. Since then, the 501(c)3 organization has raised over \$100,000 and provided over 475 free mammograms and education to many working uninsured women of the Delta. The goal of Delta Cotton Belles is to continue educating women of all ages in addition to providing mammograms for the women of the Delta. Currently, Delta Cotton Belles provides services to women who are working and are uninsured in several counties including Washington, Bolivar, Carroll, Humphreys, Issaquena, Sharkey, Sunflower, Leflore and Chicot County, Arkansas. For more information about the tennis tournament or programs offered through Delta Cotton Belles, visit www.deltacottonbelles.org

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LEGAL NOTICES

ABANDONED VEHICLE SALE NOTICE

An abandoned vehicle located at Redwine Auto Sales, Inc. 3037 VFW Road, Leland, MS will be sold to the public on July 7, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. The vehicle is a 1993 Ford Mustang. Vin # 1FALP4442RF137261 Publish June 19, 26, July 3, 2014

NOTICE CLEANING OF PRIVATE PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF LELAND WASHINGTON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

Thereupon, following a discussion, Alderperson Mala Brooks moved that the Board of Alderpersons accept the report of the City Building Inspector condemning property that is creating a health and safety hazard to the City of Leland, Mississippi. Alderperson Mala Brooks further presented, read and moved for the adoption of the following Resolution, to wit:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Bobby Johnson, Building Inspector for the City of Leland, Mississippi, has reported to the Governing Authorities of this Municipality that the following real properties located at: 205 McGee Street Lot 2, Block 8, First Addition to the City of

Leland, Washington County, Mississippi

in the City of Leland, Washington County, Mississippi, are in such a state of disrepair or uncleanness that the status thereof constitutes a menace to public health and to the safety of the community, said condition of each of the above described properties being caused by the following: Houses are vacant and in a dilapidated, unsafe condition creating a hazard to the surrounding area.

That to the best information and belief of the Building Inspector the names and addresses of the owners of the above described properties are as follows:

205 McGee Street
Harold Hall
206 Katzenmier Street
Leland, MS 38756

That said Building Inspector recommends to the Governing Authorities of the City of Leland, that, if the owners do not do so themselves, the City should proceed to have the above described lands cleaned by demolishing the building(s) located on the above properties and removing materials and debris; and

WHEREAS, the City of Leland may, under the provisions of Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code of 1972,

as amended, have the lands cleaned to correct the situation described in said reports and recommendations, and may do the same upon its own motion and in the manner prescribed by said statute;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Authorities of the City of Leland, Mississippi, as follows:

That on recommendation of the Building Inspector in this cause, and on its own motion, the Board of Alderpersons hereby determined and resolved that a hearing shall be held on Tuesday, August 5, 2014 at 5:00 o'clock P.M., before this Board at the Municipal Building, 206 North Broad Street, Leland, Mississippi, to determine whether or not the above described parcels of land are in such a state of disrepair or uncleanness that the status thereof constitutes a menace to public health and to the safety of the community.

That the owners of said properties be given notice as prescribed by Section 21-19-11 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended.

That if, at such hearing, the Governing Authorities of this municipality shall, in its resolution, adjudicate said parcels in their then condition to be a menace to the public health and safety of the community, the Governing Authorities shall, if the owners not do

so themselves, proceed to have the lands cleaned by demolishing the buildings located on the above properties and removing materials and debris; and therefore the Governing Authorities of this municipality may, at its next regular meeting, by Resolution, adjudicate the actual cost of cleaning of said lots and impose such penalties as allowed by law, and the costs thereof and penalties may become assessments against the same shall constitute liens thereon.

That said notice of said hearing shall be given to the above described owners as required by law; and in the event said owners cannot be found and served with notice after diligent search and inquiry, that the City Clerk shall cause a copy of this Resolution to be published in the Leland Progress, a weekly newspaper published in the municipality and having a general circulation therein; and in each of the said events a personal service of a copy of this Resolution or publication thereof has required by law shall constitute notice to the owners of the properties, whoever the same may be.

Thereupon Alderperson Lisa Bush seconded said motion; and the motion then put to a vote in which all alderpersons voted affirmatively therefore, the Mayor declared said motion to be unanimously passed

and adopted; and the same so ordered.

APPROVED, this the 2nd day of July, A.D., 2014.
Kenny Thomas, Mayor
ATTEST:
Cynthia Norals, City Clerk

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

Pursuant to order of the Mayor and Board of Alderpersons of the City of Leland, Mississippi, dated 8/7/13, and in accordance with Section 29-1-1 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, notice is hereby given that the Governing Authorities of the City of Leland will receive sealed competitive bids on Tuesday, August 5, 2014 at 5:00 o'clock P.M. for the sale of the following described real property located at 316 North Broad Street in Leland, Washington County, Mississippi, to wit:

Lot 7, Block 1 of the Third Addition to the City of Leland, Washington County, Mississippi, as shown by a plat of said Addition on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of said County and being the property conveyed to City of Leland by State of Mississippi by Forfeited Tax Land Patent.

The municipality shall retain all minerals rights that it owns, together with the right of ingress and egress to remove same. The Governing Authorities reserve the right to reject any or all bids received.

This the 2nd day of July, 2014.

CITY OF LELAND, MS
(Seal)
City Clerk
Publish Dates: 7-10-14, 7-17-14
7-24-14

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF HESTER MAE SCOTT, DECEASED

CAUSE NO. 2014-0888
By: BETTY SCOTT, EXECUTRIX

NOTICE TO CREDITOR

Letters of Testamentary having been granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Clerk of Washington County, Mississippi upon the Estate of Hester Mae Scott, Deceased, on the 2nd day of July, 2014 notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate of said Deceased to file same with the Clerk of the Court for Probate and registration within ninety (90) days from the day of the first publication hereof, or they will be forever barred. This the 13 day of May, 2014.

Signed
Betty Scott, Executrix
Of Counsel:
KINNY SWAIN
P.O. BOX 1355
GREENVILLE MISSISSIPPI
38702-1355, 662-335-7274
kinnymswainlaw@att.net
MS STATE BAR/SUPREME COURT NO. 8084

FAITH

Fight Like A Butterfly

By **Ronnie McBrayer**

Decades ago, while speaking of an upcoming championship bout, Muhammad Ali constructed a poetic couplet of epic proportions. With glitzy words corresponding to his style both in and out of the ring, "The Greatest" claimed he would "Float like a butterfly and sting like a bee," because his opponent's "hands can't hit what his eyes can't see."

Few athletes, maybe no others, have matched Ali's combination of bravado, proficiency, showmanship, and charisma. Rightly and deservedly, he has more than once been declared the most iconic sporting figure of the previous century. And while I'm not one to tug on Superman's cape, I'd like to slightly amend his most famous of phrases. I believe that before one can "float like a butterfly," he or she must fight like one.

You might know the familiar story of a little boy who came upon a cocoon in the forest. He knew exactly what it was, so he snapped off the stick to which it was attached, and took it home. Every day he would watch this little pouch, knowing a remarkable metamorphosis was going on inside.

Then one day it happened. A small tear in the chrysalis appeared, and the butterfly began to emerge.

But it was such an awful struggle. The slit was so tiny and the butterfly was now so big. The poor thing was desperately fighting and scratching to get out, and the little boy was so worried about his new little friend.

So, the boy decided to help. He took a pair of

was not an impediment. It was preparation, and the boy's "help" actually turned out to be a hindrance.

Resistance is required to transform a crawling, ugly insect into a magnificent, winged, flying machine. And what is true in nature, is true of human nature too:

"What is true in nature, is true of human nature too: Some suffering is necessary. We have to struggle - we must - if we will ever gain the strength we need to fly."

school scissors and carefully cut the cocoon open to rescue the exhausted, beautiful butterfly. But it wasn't beautiful; not at all. It was fat and swollen. Its wings were limp and wilted. Further, over time, it never learned to fly. It could only crawl around in a shoebox, a jar, or wherever the boy placed it.

When the boy told his science teacher this gloomy tale, he was taught an invaluable lesson: The butterfly had to struggle. The butterfly had to face oppositional forces. The butterfly's laborious effort to emerge from its shell was nature's way of circulating dormant blood and strengthening new wings. The butterfly's fight to get out of the cocoon

Some suffering is necessary. We have to struggle - we must - if we will ever gain the strength we need to fly.

This is anathema to our North American ears, however, because we have constructed a society with a monumentally low threshold for pain. Sadly, such pain-aversion isn't limited to a small subsection of our culture. It is rampant, extending from playrooms to boardrooms, as present in State Houses as in fraternity houses, and manifesting itself in everything from helicopter-parenting to fiscal irresponsibility.

When a person thinks that he or she should never, under any circumstances, suffer deprivation or dis-

comfort, it doesn't create character; it creates narcissism. So beware of those for whom everything has come easy; those who have never had to scrape their way through hard times. Beware of those who have always had someone else do the heavy lifting for them and protect them from any and all distress. It's hard for such a person to have any moral strength.

I'm not advocating for self-inflicted violence. I'm only pointing to the consummate spiritual principle: There is no resurrection without a cross, no greatness without grief, and no strength apart from suffering. The struggle is a necessary process in the maturation process.

When we avoid suffering at all costs, we fail to see that such behavior will cost us everything, for if we cannot tolerate anything that hurts or discomforts us now, we will never become people of faith, character, or maturity later. With apologies to Ali, we will never "float like a butterfly" until we have learned to fight like one.

Ronnie McBrayer is a syndicated columnist, pastor, and author. His newest book is "The Gospel According to Waffle House." You can read more at www.ronniemcbrayer.me.

CHURCH EVENTS

The New Zion M.B. Church, 420 South Broad St., Leland, will celebrate its 101 year church anniversary on Friday, July 18 at 7:00 p.m. Rev. Joseph Wright, Pastor of New White Stone Church in Greenville, will bring the message. On Sunday, July 20, Pastor W.E. Reed will bring the message at 11:00 a.m. All are invited

We, the Pastor, Officers and Members of the Greater St. Matthew Church family cordially invite you to our Annual Summer Revival, 364 Tribbett Road, Leland. It will begin on Monday, July 28, 2014 and climax on August 1, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. nightly. Our minister for the week will be Rev. Lee Morris, Jr., Pastor of Mt. Olivet M.B. Church of Greenville, MS. Yours in Christ, The Greater St. Matthew Church Family and Dr. Aaron King, Jr., Pastor.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

2 Corinthians 4:16

"So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day."

OBITUARY

Josephine Bellipanni

Josephine Bellipanni, 84, of Indianola, passed away Tuesday, July 1, 2014 at Sanctuary Hospice in Tupelo. Ms. Bellipanni was born December 31, 1929, and was the daughter of John and Julia Polasini. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Frank Thomas Bellipanni, Sr.; one son, Frank Bellipanni, Jr;

and six siblings. She is survived by three daughters, Barbara Sanders of Fayetteville, AR, Maria Creel of Indianola, and Charlotte Bellipanni of Holly Ridge; one sister, Shirley Hancock of Holly Ridge; one brother, John "Bobee" Polasini, Jr. of Leland; six grandchildren, and five great grandchildren. The family received

friends, Saturday, July 5, 2014 from 10:00 am until the 11:00 am memorial service at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Indianola. Burton Funeral Home of Indianola was in charge of arrangements. An online guestbook may be signed at www.burtonfuneralhome.net

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RECOLLECTIONS

1934 - Washington County Votes To Repeal Prohibition Law



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1914 (100 years ago)

Sneak thieves are breaking into the cars on the Y. & M. V. and the Southern tracks. Three nights in succession the seals have been broken, the cars entered, and goods stolen.

The water and light plant expects to move into its new building about August 1. The building certainly helps the looks of that part of town. The smoke-stack is being put up, and the pipes are being laid from the well to the plant.

The long dry spell was broken last Saturday by the heavy rain. It was a pretty general rain, and the cotton and corn were greatly benefited, especially the late cotton. Man and beast were glad for the relief from the extreme heat of June.

Work is all right in its place, but after a while it wears one down to a point where some sort of change is almost a necessity if we are to continue to do our best. If we can get away from it all, even for a day, we will come back refreshed and rested. Pretty soon now you will have a chance. Your crops will be laid by and there will be a breathing spell before harvest time and the work of putting in your fall and winter crops begins. Take it, enjoy it to the fullest, and make your family enjoy it with you.

1924 (90 years ago)

It Was a Great Success. The American Legion members are entitled to the thanks of the people of Leland and surrounding territory for providing a day of complete enjoyment on July 4. Under the spread of the live oaks on Three Oaks Plantation was erected the stand for the speakers. Congressman Humphreys started the oratory, while the last speaker of the morning was Ex-Governor Theo. G. Bilbo, who made a masterly address, which was far above the ordinary political speeches. The barbecue dinner was one of the best ever served a crowd of folks. After dinner the time was spent in meeting old acquaintances and friends, who seemed to come from all over the Delta. At 2:30 the speaking was resumed. After the speaking, the people visited and enjoyed this part of the day immensely until the baseball game in which the local Legionnaires and the Greenville All-Stars played to a 16-all tie in eleven innings. In the evening the Legion had a fine display of fireworks that won great applause. The street dance was the concluding feature of the day, and until the wee small hours those who loved dancing enjoyed themselves to the limit. While the streets of the town were torn up, the people marked the plans of the town for a beautiful set of streets being laid. Many were the comments on the progressive spirit of the citizens of Leland and of the town authorities. The people of Leland welcomed the crowd to Leland, estimated at nearly 7,000, which was one of the largest crowds ever assembled in

the Delta for a like occasion.

In business news, Cascio Brothers announce a special opening on July 19 at which time the public is invited to come and see their greatly enlarged store. They now have one of the most attractive and sanitary groceries to be found anywhere in Mississippi.

Messrs. Ralph McGee and Williamson Wood have organized the Leland Gun Club, which will hold a shoot every Thursday afternoon on Deer Creek Plantation in the alfalfa field just south of town.

Rev. Wm. McDougle, a Scotch Presbyterian preacher, will address the public in open meeting Thursday night on the "Principles and Teachings of the Ku Klux Klan."

The story of the ball game in Shaw between Leland and Shaw is too awful to publish. Leland was simply slaughtered.

1934 (80 years ago)

Although trailed seven miles by bloodhounds that led officers from Sheriff Ben H. Gildart's office toward the dense woods of the Napanee section, Albert Brooks, who shot his wife to death Tuesday night late at their home on the Weilenman plantation at Stoneville, has thus far escaped capture. Brooks is said to have quarreled for several weeks with his wife, threatened her life, and finally killed her with their five children looking on.

Chief of Police Frank West arrested Leslie Jefferson of Cleveland, Ohio, on the northbound passenger train after he had defied trainmen to put him off and had locked himself in a baggage compartment. He was taken to the city lockup where Chief West questioned him. He said his mother was ill and that he was trying to get back there. Chief West let him go, but ordered him to be out of town in ten minutes. Twenty minutes later Mrs. Irby Finklea reported to Chief West that Jefferson was at her service station on the edge of town trying to trade cans of milk for cigarettes. Chief West investigated and found that Jefferson had robbed the S. F. Carr wholesale house of several cans of milk and had gone straightway to the Gulf Service Station to trade his haul for tobacco. He was tried for burglary before Mayor Mathis and will spend sixty-two days laboring on county highways.

Leland went dry with Hollandale and Arcola in the statewide whiskey referendum vote Tuesday, but Greenville, Avon, Glen Allan, and Leota turned wet by a big majority to place Washington County in the wet group 751-520 for repeal of the state prohibition law. The vote in Leland was light, a total of 199 voting at the Leland box when the ordinary strength in elections brings out 550 or more.

The battle rages on all fronts this week against the boll weevil. Tons and tons of boll weevil poison have been blown and shaken by airplane, tractor, and mule equipment on thousands of acres of cotton during this week in an effort to halt the destruction being wrought by new and heavy crops of weevils that have been hatching since Mon-

day. At dawn each morning the roar of airplanes may be heard over Leland. They rise from Finklea Crop Dusting Company's airport and depart for the fields to drop poison dust while the dew is still on. However, in many fields, particularly in the southern and north-eastern parts of the county, scattered showers daily have made it difficult to poison effectively. As fast as it is put on the showers wash it off.

Many of the older residents of Leland remember clearly when *Collier's Weekly* magazine [March 21, 1908] wrote a story at length with photographic illustrations labeling and portraying Leland as "The Hell Hole of the Delta." In the sobriety and excellent behavior that characterized Leland's Fourth of July celebration in which ten to twelve thousand people participated for a day of political bombardment and show gaiety, one might find indication of a trend in human behavior that makes "Hell Holes" or communities that are peaceful and progressive. On the whole, it was the most safe and sane Fourth of July celebration in which ten to twelve thousand people participated that had ever been seen by the majority. Such behavior gives men renewed faith in humanity. Leland and the people who visited here on the Fourth are a long way from the frame of mind that years ago gave this city the title "Hell Hole of the Delta."

Merchants of the city have reached agreement to close their stores and shops at 7:00 each evening. The odd but true about it is they are closing at 7:00.

1954 (60 years ago)

C. Q. Hollowell, superintendent of the Leland Light and Water Department, and his crew of linemen are installing fifty additional Mercury-Vapor lights, a modern form of street lighting, in Leland. At a cost of \$5,000, the lights have been placed at the entrance to the city on Highway 61 and on California extended. They are also being placed in the center of the block in the downtown business district, on East Third, on East Second, on Deer Creek Drive North and West, and around the black school in Armstrong Addition. Mayor W. J. Caraway said that he hopes the entire street lighting system will be replaced with this modern type of lighting.

Bill Weilenman, who has covered Leland for news in the daily newspaper field for the past eighteen months, announced Tuesday that the first edition of Greenville's new weekly newspaper, *The Mississippi Pilot*, of which Mr. Weilenman is news, feature, and picture editor, would come off the press on July 7. He said the first edition of the paper will be sixteen pages, will feature newsmagazine treatment of news, and will be heavy on picture news and features. Mr. Weilenman is one of Leland's few native sons who has made a career of journalism.

Leaving Broad Street in Leland on June 30, thirty-five Lelanders made a free round trip tour to Stoneville in one of the new Trailways buses that feature everything from air conditioning to compressed air (no springs) riding. The new buses are the last word in comfort with reclining seats made

of foam rubber. Cutting down the glare and making sightseeing more enjoyable are the tinted slide windows that are larger than usual. On the reception committee for the goodwill tour to Stoneville Wednesday afternoon was Hiram Sharp, manager of the local bus station, which sponsored the bus caravan's Leland visit.

Leland will be the scene next February of the biggest demonstration of Scoutcraft in Washington County history. Plans are being made now for the First Annual Washington District Scout Exposition to be held in the Catholic Youth Center.

1964 (50 years ago)

Plans are moving ahead for the development of facilities on land purchased recently by the Deer Creek Town and Racquet Club, a newly organized Leland country club. The club earlier purchased six acres of land from the Fitzhugh estate at a location south of a gravel road leading west from Deer Creek Drive near the residence of Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Manning. Eighty-six residents of the Leland area have joined the club, which is headed by C. O. Dean, Jr., president. First construction of the new club is being planned to include a swimming pool, bathhouses, snack bar, and possibly a pavilion and tennis courts for use next summer. Barlow and Plunkett, Jackson architectural firm, submitted the initial master plan and plans for the named facilities recently to the Building Committee, composed of Chairman Sidney McKnight, O. B. Wooten, and Cameron Dean. No immediate plans are being made for the main clubhouse and golf course.

The Leland Negro Home Demonstration Club recently took on as a club project landscaping of the western boundary of the Leland City Hospital grounds. The twenty-nine-member club began with the planting of forty Chinese hollies. Mrs. Leon Coleman is president of the club. The newly landscaped area forms a background for the view from the west wing entrance of the hospital. Meanwhile, the club is encouraging residential grounds beautification in the five black residential areas of Leland this summer. A "yard of the week" plaque is being displayed at one house in each of the five residential areas each week of the summer.

James Azlin was installed as president of the Lions Club Thursday by the outgoing president, Lawrence Jacobs.

1974 (40 years ago)

Leland aldermen got one bid for the \$150,000 in library bonds offered for sale, and they were glad to get that. It was for the legal maximum that the City could pay—6%—and it was a joint bid by the two local banks, the Bank of Leland and the Commercial National Bank. "They simply did us a favor," declared Perrin Grissom, referring to the bid placed by the banks. The bottom has dropped out of the bond market since the City took bids last month on the \$300,000 in street improvement bonds.

At the request of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, Dillon Funeral Home is continuing to provide the Leland area with emergency ambulance service. Ac-

tually Mr. Dillon planned to go out of the ambulance business as well, but agreed to stay until the last of September or the first of October when the county sends an ambulance to Leland.

Leland school trustees began discussion at their Tuesday meeting of hiring a new high school principal to replace C. H. Bibbs, whose firing for intemperance was upheld Friday by County Superintendent Jeff Bogue. Mr. Bibbs was fired by the board following his arrest May 31 for public drunkenness and his later conviction and fine of \$15 on the charge in city court.

Restoration of the railroad depot in town will be the major project for the celebration in Leland of the 200th anniversary of the founding of the United States. Plans call for restoring the look of that time by putting a potbelly stove in the middle of the main waiting room, installing benches, placing a spittoon or two, and hanging kerosene lamps. Officials of the Illinois Central have expressed a willingness to see the depot made into a museum depot. It is anticipated that an old caboose will be sidetracked to one side of the depot and freight and baggage loading carts on the Main Street side.

Miss Martha Hinson has arrived from West Berlin, Germany, to spend the summer with her mother, Mrs. John A. Hinson. Miss Hinson has received a certificate for her twenty years of service as a member of the U. S. Army School System in West Berlin.

1984 (30 years ago)

The Farmers Home Administration has announced a grant project totaling \$346,000 for the installation of new sewer lines in Elizabeth, which will tie the community into the City of Leland's sewer system. The installation of the new sewer lines will affect approximately eighty homes in Elizabeth, but will not adversely affect the Leland system's ability to handle the increased sewerage flow.

Billy D. Nassar, who once served for several months as officer-in-charge of the Leland post office, has been appointed Leland's new postmaster, effective August 4.

John Green was recently installed as the new president of the Leland Lions Club, while John Dean was installed as the new president of the Leland Rotary Club.

On Saturday evening the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jody Stovall was the scene of a beautiful party when the choir members of Leland Presbyterian Church honored Dr. and Mrs. Don Wauchope, who will soon be leaving Leland.

1994 (20 years ago)

A 42-year-old Leland man with a history of mental problems was arrested early Tuesday morning after allegedly slashing three other men with a large knife and following two of them to the police station. He was arrested at the station after the shift dispatcher radioed all units that a man was standing under the station's drive port with a machete in his hand.

The City of Leland has some 1,666 trees representing 67 species and worth \$4.93

million on its public rights-of-way, according to a report on the recently completed tree inventory taken by the city's Tree Board. The process took about eighteen months, according to John Dean, chairman. "We really need to maintain a good urban forest with the high visibility along Deer Creek for people who travel through," Dean said. With the completion of the tree inventory, the City can begin to consider a long-term urban forestry management plan that will establish replacement, planting, removal, and maintenance schedules for Leland's trees. Leland obtained Tree City USA status in 1992.

Feature—July 11 will mark the 100th birthday of Camille McGee Baker, who has lived in Leland longer than anyone else alive today. Born in Leland to Cora Lee Dean and Burrell Otho McGee, Mrs. Baker is considered one of the early settlers of Leland. The town was incorporated in 1886 and both the Dean and McGee families were already established here. She attended school in the building located where the Terry Gibbs home now stands at 220 South Deer Creek Drive East. From the age of nine, she has been a member of the Leland Baptist Church. Because the church did not have a baptistery at the time she joined, she was baptized in Deer Creek. She married Don R. Baker on October 5, 1921, in her home built by her father.

2004 (10 years ago)

Leland police officers were contacted by radio at 1:20 a.m. on July 4 with a report of a shooting at L & L Lounge. As the officers, who were on foot patrol, approached the lounge, people were seen running out of the building. The officers took cover and later found out that two men had been shot. Another shooting over the Fourth of July weekend left one man dead and police searching for clues in the incident. On July 5, the Leland Police Department received a call from a person reporting a shooting at the corner of James Trimm Drive and Hudson Street. When officers arrived they found a male lying face down on the side of the street near Pilgrim Home Church and McCray's Grocery. The coroner was called and pronounced Anthony Deon Nash, 21, of 205 James Trimm Drive in Leland dead at the scene.

TecInfo of Leland is among the five small businesses named district winners of the prestigious Governor's Cup.

Leland Lions Club officers for 2004-2005 are District Governor Mike Columbus, President Tom Kilen, 1st Vice President Jimmy Doolittle, 2nd Vice President J. W. Cockerhan, 3rd Vice President Dave Rainey, Secretary/Treasurer Clyde Griffin, Director Dr. John Green, Director Roy Webb, Two-Year Director Wayne Ebelhar, Membership Director B. C. Lundy, Lion Tamer Tony Morlino, and Tail Twister Bart Freeland.

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SPORTS/OUTDOORS

CONSERVATION CORNER

Bryant Names Rikard New Executive Director Of DEQ

By James L. Cummins

Governor Phil Bryant has named Gary Rikard to succeed Trudy Fisher as executive director of the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ). Fisher, who has served as executive director since 2007, has announced her intentions to return to the private sector at the end of the summer. "Trudy has worked tirelessly in her capacity as executive director, and I thank her for her service. Under her guidance, Mississippi has responded to significant environmental disasters, and she has ensured environmental protection while leading the agency to achieve speed and efficiency in its permitting process - something that sets Mississippi apart among economic competitors," said Governor Phil Bryant. Rikard, a partner with Butler Snow, LLP, has practiced environmental law since 1996, serving as senior attorney at MDEQ from 1996-1998. Prior to earning his law degree, he worked as an environmental engineer at MDEQ, specializing in permitting and water quality compliance issues. He served more than 22 years

in the Mississippi National Guard, retiring with the rank of Major. During his service with the National Guard, he served as assistant staff judge advocate, acting as the primary legal officer for environmental matters. "I am very pleased to appoint Gary to lead the Department of Environmental Quality," Governor Bryant said. "He has the legal and technical expertise to ensure that Mississippi's environmental and economic growth priorities are achieved in concert with one another." Rikard's specialized legal experience includes negotiating complex permitting and enforcement issues before the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and representing MDEQ before the Mississippi Supreme Court. He is experienced in a wide array of state and federal environmental standards including the Clean Air Act, the Clean Water Act, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the Mississippi Air and Water Pollution Control Law and the Mississippi Solid Waste Act. He holds a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from Christian Brothers

University, has completed graduate studies in Environmental Engineering at the University of Mississippi School of Engineering, and holds a juris doctor degree from the University of Mississippi School of Law. He is admitted to the Mississippi Bar. "I am grateful for the opportunity to serve in this capacity, and I am humbled by Governor Bryant's choice and by his faith in me," Rikard said. "I look forward to the challenge and to leading an agency that is tasked with such an important mission." Governor Bryant is to be commended for appointing such a qualified leader as Gary Rikard. Mississippi has been fortunate to have had the benefit of the fine service of Trudy Fisher and we look forward to continuing to work with the MDEQ under the leadership of Rikard for the benefit of all Mississippians. *James L. Cummins is executive director of Wildlife Mississippi, a non-profit, conservation organization founded to conserve, restore and enhance fish, wildlife and plant resources throughout Mississippi. Their web site is www.wildlifemiss.org.*

Sports Hall Of Fame Names 2014 Inductees

By Rick Cleveland

Fifty-three years ago, organizers inducted the first class into the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame. Goat Hale, Bruiser Kinard, Dudy Noble and Stanley Robinson formed the inaugural class, and the original plaques hang in Hall of Fame and Museum today. We will have right at 300 inductees when six more are inducted the night of July 25 in ceremonies at the Jackson Hilton. One aspect hasn't changed in that half of a century, plus three: Mississippi continues to spawn some of the most remarkable sports talent on the planet. Witness the Class of 2014 that will include winners of four Olympics gold medals, an NFL MVP, the leading rusher and touchdown scorer in Ole Miss and New Orleans Saints history, a man who was four years the world's fastest human, the only man to ever coach a Mississippi team to the Final Four and one of the greatest broken field runners ever. Each, in his or her own way, is a unique Mississippi story. It has been my grand fortune to "cover" all six during their careers. Please allow me to reminisce briefly about each.

- McLain's Ruthie Bolton: A two-time gold medalist in women's basketball, Ruthie was the engine that ran the 1996 U.S. women who were the real Dream Team in the Atlanta Games. She got every loose ball, ran the offense and always guarded the other team's

best. One of 20 children born to a preacher/farmer, she played with similar grit and determination to the great Walter Payton.

- Louisville's Doug Cunningham: As a running back and kick returner, Cunningham was a game-changing play waiting to happen, first for Ole Miss and then for the San Francisco 49ers. John Grisham, who can write a little, once wrote of an Ole Miss game during which Cunningham turned defeat into victory: "Doug Cunningham, No. 22, sprang from nowhere, took the ball, and was immediately surrounded by white jerseys. He was hit, broke a tackle, hit again, shook himself free, darted one way then the other, and suddenly emerged from a pile of humanity with his legs pumping, his knees high in the air, his hips twisting..."
- Mount Olive's Steve McNair: I saw him for the first time as a skinny 16-year-old quarterbacking Mount Olive to the state championship. He was magic. He was for four years at Alcorn State when Sports Illustrated featured him on its cover with the headline: "Hand him the Heisman!" And he was as a three-time Pro Bowler, one-time NFL MVP for the Tennessee Titans and Baltimore Ravens.
- Tiny Ludlow's Deuce McAllister: He will be remembered for his speed/power combination that made him the leading rusher and TD scorer in Ole Miss and Saints histories.

He could push the pile or he could break away and take it to the house. Deuce will be remembered by those who covered him for his kindness and his candor, in defeat as well as in victory. Had his knees remained in tact... well, we will never know.

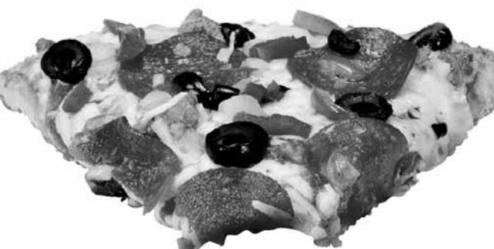
- Bolton's Calvin Smith: If the quiet, unassuming Smith walked into your living room, you would never suspect that this guy was once the world record holder in the 100- and 200-meter dashes, the fastest human being in the world and a two-time Olympic gold medalist. For sure, he would never tell you.
- Mississippi State's Richard Williams: His first basketball coaching gig was a volunteer coach at a Natchez junior high where he taught math. From that, he rose, step by step, to become the first (and so far only) coach to take a Mississippi team to the Final Four. Williams could take his x's and beat your o's or vice-versa.

In addition to the presentation of the Class of 2014, 1989 inductee Archie Manning will receive The Rube Award (named for Michael Rubinstein) for his lifetime of contributions to Mississippi sports. For more information - or to order tickets - go to msfame.com or call 601-982-8264. *Rick Cleveland (rcleveland@msfame.com) is the executive director of the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame and Museum.*



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21st CCLC Students Tap Into Science, Business Skills To Create Their Own Products



Students participating in the 21st Century Community Learning Center (CCLC) Summer program recently spent time learning the science of creating beauty and aromatherapy products as well as how to fold their creations into a viable business plan.

Led by Jacquelyn Thomas, founder of Girls Pursuing Science, based in Charlotte, NC, students used chemistry principles to manufacture soaps, bath oils, body washes, aromatherapy oils, and more.

"My goal is to increase the presence of girls in science and technology," said Thomas. "These exercises engage them and hopefully encourage them to pursue a career in a science-type career."

Thomas said that in addition to learning the science of their product, the students also learn how to



put together a proper business plan. "They learn very quickly how discounted prices cut into their profit margins," said Thomas. This summer's program

included high school girls. Thomas plans to return to Leland in September to lead the program again with sixth grade girls.



Top left photo: CEO of Girls Pursuing Science Jacquelyn Thomas demonstrates to students how to remove soap molds. Students include: Amelia Morris, Kayla Lenoir, Doneisha Johnson, Toshiana McChristan, Jori Lakes and Alexis Douglas.
Bottom left photo: Students Nikel Spencer, Raneisha Richmond and SaMir Mister mix liquids to create bath gels.
Above photo: Separate from the girl students, high school boys learned about creating essential oils to help improve memory, apply to bug bites, reduce stress and more. Science teacher Cassandra Estes led the class experiments with LaDarius Rhodes, Cameron McWright, Joseph Lakes, and Skylar Hinton.



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July 14-31, 2014

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You are required to sign-in everyday at camp.

- PT/Marching Rehearsal.....8:00 to 10:00 a.m.
(Bring your own water container)
- Music Fundamental Rehearsal.....10:00 to 12 noon
- Lunch (on your own).....12 noon to 1:15 p.m.
(Band is required to leave campus for lunch.)
- Sectional Rehearsals.....1:15 to 2:30 p.m.
- Full Band Rehearsal.....2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
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604 Edwards Street - This large house on a huge lot is a handyman special one block from downtown Leland. \$19,000

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125 Mimosa - REDUCED! This beautiful 3000 sq ft 4 bedroom 2.5 bathroom brick home is situated on one of the largest lots in Lakeview Acres. The large sun room and private patio make this one of Leland's finest. Hardwood and ceramic tile floors and flowing floor plan are some of the attraction of this large ranch style home. It has a new roof and is in ready to move in condition. Call today and own this home for \$195,000.

107 Redbud Drive. REDUCED! This 1581 sq. ft. home has 3 bedrooms and 2 baths. One side with 1 bedroom, 1 bathroom and a den is being rented for \$400 per month. The other side is vacant and could be rented for a higher amount. The house is totally renovated and updated in 2013 with a new roof, new appliances, updated electrical and painted throughout. \$85,000.



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LIFE

CALENDAR

July 11
Cocktails at the Carousel E.E. Bass Cultural Arts Center, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Free admission and unlimited rides on the carousel.

July 18
"Final Dispositions" Wet Plate Photography of Euphus Ruth, Opening Reception is 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Malkin Gallery.

July 24-27
Delta Center Stage presents "Oliver." 7:30 p.m. nightly; 2:30 p.m. Sunday matinee.

August 1
Bottles & Brushes. A fun night of sipping, painting and socializing featuring artist MacKenzie Stroh. Reservation required. Call Greenville Arts Council at 332-2246.

Glen Allan: Ticket sales begin for the 3rd Annual Greenfield Cemetery Candlelight Tour, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. The event is on October 17, 18. Email adelynwoods@hotmail.com for info.

August 3
Angelic Stars Summer Explosion, Greenville Fellowship Center, 2401 Old Leland Rd, 4:00 p.m. Free admission.

August 8
Cocktails At the Carousel. Back to School Bash. 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. E.E. Bass Cultural Arts Center.

August 8-9
First Annual Dragon Boat Festival, Lake Ferguson. Call Main Street Greenville for more information, 662-378-3121.

Girl Scouts Celebrate July 4th, Honor Veterans



Girl Scout Troop 33243 of Leland celebrated the 4th of July and honored local Veterans by hand-making patriotic pinwheels and placing them in front of the Leland Veterans Memorial at the Leland Library. Shown above are JoShariah McCray, DNya Haggard, MarShayla Wiggins, Angel Jackson, JaZiyah Nash. The troop is led by Stacy Wiggins and Vanita Belgon. Photo by Roy Meeks.

Kaylan Frye Featured In Pageant Parade

Lelander Kaylan Frye will participate with 40 other young ladies from across the state for the title of Miss Mississippi this week. She participated Monday night in the annual pageant parade through downtown Vicksburg, and will compete each night this week in various competitions including interview, swimsuit, and evening gown.

Kaylan is the daughter of Cedric and Lisa Bush of Leland. She is representing Mississippi Delta Community College.

Kaylan Frye and her princesses are driven by her father Cedric Bush during the pageant parade held Monday evening.



That's What I Love About The Delta

Do you ever have someone or something that you just can't get your mind off? I have had the sweet and beautiful Miss Mississippi Delta Community College, Kaylan Frye, on my mind and in my heart and prayers. Whether she wins or not this Saturday night as Miss Mississippi, she is definitely a winner in my book. I attended several functions to support her participation in this pageant and I don't think I have ever met a more gracious and poised young lady. Her "thank yous" are always so heartfelt. Leland is very lucky to have this young lady and her family in our midst.

One of our guests at The Thompson House last week commented that he couldn't believe that a community the size of Leland had such fine restaurants and things to do. He dined at Lillo's last Thursday and was so impressed that there was live music and dancing. And speaking of dancing, it was so much fun to watch Mary Boteler dance in her bare feet with her Boteler children. They were starting the Fourth of July off with a real bang. I am impressed with the way Mary supports businesses and events here in Leland. I wish that more citizens had the attitude that she does. I heard her comment one day, "If it's for the good of Leland, I'm for it". Great attitude, Mary.

This is the time of year that is not my favorite, too hot to play tennis, almost too hot to walk. When I was in school, I was delighted with the month of June, visiting relatives, little trips to the hill country of Mississippi to visit my dad's relatives, vacation Bible school, and so many other things. When July 4th was over, it was wishful thinking for school to hurry up and



By Charlotte Buchanan

start. My brothers thought I was crazy. I loved school. When my dad died and we moved from Leland to Indianola, I went to register to complete my senior year. The principal was a gruff old codger. He said, "Why are you here, you already have way more high school credits than you need to graduate". I explained to him that I lived in the country and it got lonely. If they had some type of summer school and a school bus ran, I was on it, taking whatever class they offered. I needed that senior English credit which was required, but did, at his suggestion, start taking courses at the then Sunflower Junior College.

How Leland is going to miss Clint Johnson. He was a true Southern gentleman. To meet him was to like him. There was a magnificent outpouring of love and respect for him at his services last week. He had many accomplishments, but I first knew him through duplicate bridge. At one time, there were several active duplicate clubs in the Delta. One of the best was at the Methodist Church in Greenville with Chad Oxner chairing the every Monday event. I played with Clint quite a few times and was always impressed with his keen mind. We always had high scores when I was lucky enough to have him for a partner. We need more men like Clint Johnson in our world today, and that's what I love about the Delta.

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