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GLUCKSTADT TEEN

Everhart advances to Top 24 on 'Idol'

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Gluckstadt's Hannah Everhart made it through last Sunday's Showstoppers round of 'American Idol' to advance to the Top 24 contestants this season.

The Showstoppers round was the first time this season contestants got a chance to showcase their talents by performing with a band for a chance to make it into the Top 24 of contestants.

Sunday's segment featuring Everhart started with her having a conversation with celebri-

ty judges Katy Perry and Luke Bryan.

"Bandana Hannah! I like Bandana Hannah. Are you a sweet child or a bitter child?" Bryan said as Everhart, who was wearing a bandana over her hair and wearing heavy eye shadow and resembling Axle Rose of Guns N Rose's fame, took her seat.

Everhart said she was a little mix of both.

"We know that to be true, sister from another mister," Perry said, referring back to Everhart's first audition in front of the judges where Perry asked her if she was the country ver-

sion of her. "Do you believe you're even here?"

"No, ma'am," Everhart replied. "But I am."

"Just like I can't believe you get ribs out of a gas station," Perry said.

Everhart said she never thought she would make it this far, because she comes from a small town where she spends time riding her horse in the pasture and eating gas station barbecue.

"I've never performed with a band before, but again, I've got to go out there and do the dang thing," Everhart said. "It's really about show-stopping

yourself as well. You have to be the show to make the show. I'm going to try. We don't know what's going to happen though."

Everhart sang "Wrecking Ball," a song popularized by Miley Cyrus.

"Come on, sister from another mister," Perry said as the show began.

Everhart said in an interview after the show aired that receiving the yes vote to progress to the Top 24 made her feel like she was on top of Mount Everest.

"The band was awesome." See IDOL, page A3



Hannah Everhart embraces her inner Axle Rose on a recent episode of "American Idol."

mra presents 'anastasia'



Madison-Ridgeland Academy's 57 cast members came together to create a powerful and entertaining production of "Anastasia: The Musical" over the weekend. The performances were livestreamed last Friday and Saturday. At right, Annelise Self performs a number. Below, cast members perform a musical number.



ELECTIONS

Madison, Ridgeland have no primaries

By SCOTT HAWKINS scott@onlinemadison.com

Municipal party primary elections are scheduled for Tuesday but voters in Madison and Ridgeland will not go to the polls until June 8 because there are no challengers.

"If there is only one Republican or one Democrat on the ballot there is no reason to hold an election," said Ridgeland City Clerk Paula Tierce.

Flora officials are all running as independents and unopposed.

Madison Mayor Mary Hawkins-Butler and Ridgeland Mayor Gene F. McGee, both Republicans, face no opposition so both will serve another term, Hawkins-Butler's 11th and McGee's ninth.

All incumbent aldermen in both Madison and Ridgeland filed to run for re-election as Republicans and only three of those races had Democratic party challengers, the aldermen-at-large positions in both Madison and Ridgeland and the Ward 2 alderman seat in Ridgeland.

In Madison, Democrat Janice Jackson will face incumbent Alderman-at-Large Sandra Strain in the June 8 general election.

In Ridgeland, Democrat Poteat Medley will face incumbent Alderman-at-Large D.I. Smith, and in the Ward 2 position incumbent Ward 2 Alderman Chuck Gautier will face Democratic challenger Walter Young Jr.

Flora incumbents who will serve another term in their respective offices are Mayor Les Childress, Ward 1 Alderman Michael Westbrook, Ward 2 Alderman Kenny Jenkins, Ward 3 Alderman Mary Sumler, Ward 4 Alderman Ray Allard and Alderman-at-large A.J. Lunsford.

EASTER SUNDAY

Christians seeking 'normal' as the resurrection of Jesus is celebrated

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With Easter Sunday being a high point of the Christian year, area churches are expecting large crowds as many are returning to in-person worship for the first time since the COVID-19 pandemic began more than a year ago.

Many area churches will offer multiple services with overflow space and social distancing throughout the Easter weekend.

Madison First Baptist Church, 2100

Main Street, will offer three services, one on Saturday night and two on Sunday morning said the Rev. Ronnie Falvey, the church's senior pastor.

Falvey said he has seen an increase in attendance at his church over the last three or four Sundays as COVID-19 infection rates have declined and more and more people are getting vaccinated.

"If the weather is good, I think we will have a really nice crowd for the weekend," Falvey said of the church's planned Easter weekend services. "I

think people are looking to get back. They want to get back. They have been online for a while and it is not the same. There is nothing like being in the room, so I anticipate that if the weather is nice we should have at least 2,100 people. Maybe a bit more."

Some area churches, such as Madison First Baptist, Chapel of the Cross in Madison and Redeemer Church of Jackson, are limiting attendance capacities to allow for social distancing and have online reservation systems so people can pre-register to reserve seats.

Falvey said the church does not require attendees to wear masks.

"If they want to wear them they can but they don't have to," Falvey said. "We do practice social distancing in the sanctuary and we have those outlined and that sort of thing."

As for First Baptist Madison's Easter Services, Falvey said the church has made special arrangements.

"We are bringing in some special music guests and we put together what we think is going to be a really nice service. I am going to weave in the

Gospel, the good news, and I'm also going to talk about hope," Falvey said of his planned Easter message. "Give people a sense of hope to look forward to the future."

DeAnne Hegi said she is "pumped" to attend Broadmoor Baptist's Easter service with her husband, Joe. She said that last Sunday when they announced that they would be open the church "cheered" in response.

"I think everyone realized that Easter is such a big day in the life of a

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# 'Dinner darling' has food fix for busy families

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How great would it be to have your family dinner planned out for you each week?

As someone who wanted to cook at home, needed to, but didn't know where to start, the simple question "What's for Dinner?" led Lindsey Bell, a mother of two, to create The Dinner Darling.

Feeding her family tasty and affordable meals each night without breaking the bank has her serving up recipes and culinary advice for other moms who are facing similar struggles.

Her husband Ryan, a former chef, made a comment one night about her making the same thing for dinner every night and that is when she realized she needed a change.

That led her on a mission to

seek out and create better meals so she started a Facebook group and started asking friends.

Bell cooks up "The Weekly Dish" now and sends emails to subscribers with three family-friendly recipes, an accompanying grocery list describing the correct ingredients for those recipes, and some helpful cooking tips and recommendations.

For example, she recently featured recipes and cooking instructions for Baked Feta Pasta, Easy Ramen, and Chicken Francese.

GiGi O'Neal, a subscriber to The Weekly Dish since 2019, said she saves time preparing meals for her family by subscribing to The Weekly Dish.

"The recipes provide meal ideas that are simple to make and enjoyed by our entire family," said O'Neal, a lifelong



Lindsey Bell, the Dinner Darling, has a recipe subscription service that continues to explode in both flavor and popularity.

friend of Bell.

O'Neal said her favorite family meals from The Weekly Dish are the Spicy Shrimp Bowl, Baked Chicken Tacos, and all of the Dinner Darling quiches.

She offers three different plans, Regular, Lite and Combo.

Sallie Dier of Madison, a friend of Bell's since college, was one of the first subscribers. Today she is subscribed to the combo plan.

"Lindsey's recipes are delicious and super easy," Dier said. "The built-in grocery list makes life so much easier. It makes dinner time exciting, and you don't have to spend a lot of time searching the Internet for new recipes."

Dier said some of her favorite meals she has made from The Weekly Dish are the salsa verde chicken, creamy mushroom chicken skillet, easy

ramen, and chicken tostadas. Dier said all of those recipes are delicious, and they take less than 30 minutes to make.

"I would recommend The Dinner Darling," Dier said. "It will get you out of a dinner rut if you're ever in one."

Bell has strong ties to Madison County but lives in Jackson. She attends First Ridgeland Baptist Church and is also a cousin of Ridgeland Mayor Gene McGee. When she is not cooking, she enjoys reading, going to the beach, and attending First Ridgeland with her family.

She described herself as a busy mom of two on a budget and had to learn to meal plan, meal prep, and grocery shop on that budget. Bell attributes the success of her The Weekly Dish to the popularity of her Facebook group, called 'Dinner Darlings,' that she created in 2017.

# Bulldog Burger opening soon on Lake Harbour Drive

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Craft burgers are coming back to Lake Harbour as a Starkville-based brand that includes Harveys is bringing a third location to Ridgeland.

Workers unloaded kitchen supplies and fresh signage earlier this week as they prepared the building at 879 Lake Harbour Drive, previously a Mugshots.

John Bean, president of Eat With Us Group, Bulldog Burger's parent company, said they plan to have their management team in place and ready to start taking applications later in April. He said they expect to open in early June with dinner only service for a week or so

before opening for lunch.

"We are excited about it," Bean said. "We think this is a great spot."

Bulldog Burgers offers about 15 hand-crafted burgers as well as other sandwiches, salads and other offerings. They expect to open with a "full beverage program," including wine, beer and liquor.

Ridgeland Community Development Director Alan Hart said the project did not have to seek Architectural Review Board approval because they made no changes to the structure or to the building's exterior.

"There was no need to appear before ARB because they are only updating the inte-

rior," Hart said.

Bean said their indoor build-out is being done by Manning and Manning, a local firm. He said that most of what they have been doing has been bringing in new appliances and furniture and doing some decorating as well as installing signage outside.

"It has been an easy conversion," Bean said.

Bean said that between a private dining area, bar, restaurant floor and patio seating they expect to be able to accommodate about 180 guests at full capacity. He said they hope to be fully staffed at between 70 and 80 employees.

Bulldog Burger opened in Starkville in 2016 and was followed by a Tupelo location in 2019. This will be the brand's third location in the state.



Fresh signage sits on a truck waiting to be installed at the new Bulldog Burger on Lake Harbour Drive. The building used to be a Mugshots.

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Mulch accident causes delay

Madison Police responded to an overturned truck hauling mulch that impeded traffic for about an hour-and-a-half at the intersection of Highway 463 and Highland Colony Parkway Tuesday morning. The accident involving a 2016 Isuzu truck occurred at 7:44 a.m., resulting in a partial lane closure until 9:17 a.m. No injuries were reported.

Idol

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she said. "When you're on the stage, you can feel the drums moving through your body. The piano, guitar, everything. It really awakened something in me and made me want to perform with bands for the rest of my life."

The time for the judging came once Everhart was finished. Perry said she could see something there, but Byran disagreed and said he wasn't sure if she was "all the way there."

"You're only 17," Perry said to Everhart. "I was 17 once. I had a fire in my eyes, which you do. I have a sass about me, which you do. At 17, I didn't do the work. So what I wish for you in the future, is to do the work. Know that all of that — the flare, the character, the sass — when you want to become a real, big-time star, that comes

after. So when I see you next time, you promise me some ribs?"

"Yes, ma'am," Everhart replied.

"Great," Perry said. "Then I promise you the Top 24."

Everhart said she was grateful to advance to the Top 24, and it gave her a lot of confidence that the judges thought she was good enough to keep going.

"All I could say was, 'Wow,' and I am ready to amp it up some more," she said. "I want to give more to them and really give it my all. Being able to go back home and tell people I'm in the Top 24 is a really proud moment for me."

As Everhart left the stage, Perry asked if she was going to get a half slab or a full slab of ribs. Everhart promised her a full slab and said, "Go big or go home, baby!"

Then the screen cut to Everhart jumping into a pool with all of her denim and even the bandana on to end her segment. The narrator remarked, "Han-

nah jumps into the Top 24 with a splash."

The next episodes of "American Idol" will be the All Star Duets and Solo Rounds with a live studio audience of big "Idol" fans. After the solo round, contestants will be paired with a celebrity singer.

For the first time this season, America will get to vote on April 4 and 5 on who will move to the next round. It is not determined when Everhart's duet episode will air.

Overnight voting begins following each duet episode and four contestants will be eliminated from the various duet groups after both episodes have aired. The Top 16 results will be revealed the following week during the episode on April 11. Voting instructions and information will be on AmericanIdol.com/vote.

"I want to let everyone know that I am so grateful for everyone's support," Everhart said. "Help this Mississippi girl get to the next round."

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# Opinion & Editorials

PATRICK J. BUCHANAN

## ‘Democracy never lasts long’

“I’ve known Xi Jinping for a long time. ... He doesn’t have a democratic — with a small ‘d’ — bone in his body,” said Joe Biden in his first press conference as president, and then he ambled on:

“He’s one of the guys, like (Russian President Vladimir) Putin, who thinks that autocracy is the wave of the future — democracy can’t function in an ever-complex world.

“It is clear, absolutely clear ... that this is a battle between the utility of democracies in the 21st century and autocracies. ... We have to prove democracy works.”

Thus did Biden frame the conflict between America and China in almost purely ideological terms.

“Look ... your children or grandchildren are going to be doing their doctoral thesis on the issue of who succeeded: autocracy or democracy? Because that is what is at stake, not just with China.”

But is this really what the conflict between America and China for economic, military and strategic supremacy is about — a contest between two political systems? And does Xi Jinping see it that way?

Does Xi see himself as the global champion of “autocracy” or as the nationalist leader of the Chinese people and Mao’s successor as The Great Helmsman who heads the party that decides the destiny of the nation?

And are we Americans really the champions of the democracy camp in a great twilight struggle with “autocracy”?

How, then, do we embrace as a NATO ally of 70 years the Republic of Turkey, which is ruled by the autocrat Recep Tayyip Erdogan?

Our Arab allies and partners include President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi of Egypt, who came to power through a military coup that ousted an elected government. Also aligned with us are the king and crown prince of Saudi Arabia, and the monarchs of the Persian Gulf who might fairly be called not only

*The Chinese act on the belief that not all religious, racial and ethnic minorities have equal rights.*

monarchists but autocrats.

Are the king of Bahrain, the emir of Kuwait and the sultan of Oman members in good standing in America’s club of democracies?

Unlike the USSR of Lenin, Trotsky and Stalin, Xi’s China does not appear to seek to impose its political system upon the nations with which it has deep trade and commercial ties such as Australia, Japan and South Korea.

Where Nikita Khrushchev thundered, “Your children shall live under Socialism,” Xi does not.

Indeed, in the ideological struggle defined by Biden, it appears that it’s the United States and Western democracies demanding that China abide by our beliefs and values, not the other way around.

Xi puts China first, and his own people, the Han Chinese majority, also first. As for the tribal and ethnonational minorities inside China — Uighurs, Kazakhs, Tibetans, Mongols, Manchu, Hong Kongese — their rights are subordinated and restricted, as are the beliefs and value systems of Christians in many of the 50 or so Muslim countries.

Unlike America’s liberal elites who celebrate racial, religious and ethnic diversity — the more the better — China’s rulers seem to fear racial, religious, ethnic and ideological diversity as forces threatening the kind of disintegration that befell the Soviet Empire and USSR.

And unlike the Americans who worship at the altar of equality, the Chinese act on the belief that not all religious, racial and ethnic minorities have equal rights.

And while China’s growth in real and relative power and prosperity in the decades since Tiananmen Square in 1989 has

been epochal, the politics of the USA seem to have grown more poisonous and the racial divisions more rancorous than they were at the end of the Reagan era.

Nor does Biden’s faith in small “d” democracy appear to have been shared by the men who founded the United States as a “republic, if you can keep it.” They saw democracy not as some object of veneration but as a danger to be avoided.

“Remember, democracy never lasts long,” John Adams wrote. “It soon wastes, exhausts, and murders itself. There was never a democracy yet that did not commit suicide.”

Perhaps our greatest Chief Justice John Marshall said, “Between a balanced republic and a democracy, the difference is like that between order and chaos.”

“A Democracy is the vilest form of Government there is,” said Tom Paine, who was echoed by the father of the Constitution, Madison himself:

“Democracy is the most vile form of government. Democracies have ever been spectacles of turbulence and contention incompatible with personal security or the rights of property.”

By the end of a long life, Thomas Jefferson concluded: “A Democracy is nothing more than mob rule, where 51% of the people may take away the rights of the other 49%.”

Democracy and autocracy — of which monarchies and dictatorships are examples — are forms of government, not objects of worship. It is the country that engages the heart, not the system of government by which the country is governed. And it is the country that is the legitimate object of allegiance, loyalty and love.

And that is the meaning of “America First.”

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## EDITORIALS

### Shameless hypocrisy

“That was then. This is now.”

There’s no other plausible explanation for President Biden’s and Senate Democrats’ shameless, hypocritical and self-serving about-face on the filibuster.

Mr. Biden and his Senate allies are chomping at the bit to abolish the filibuster so they can ram their radical, far-left agenda (the For the People Act takeover of elections, the Equality Act, the Green New Deal, open borders, et al.) into law on party-line votes in a Senate evenly divided between the two parties, with Vice President Kamala Harris breaking ties in their favor.

So much for their supposed devotion to the filibuster as necessary to protect the rights of the minority party in the upper chamber.

The right to extended debate in the legislative process, now-Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer averred in 2005 (when the Republicans controlled Congress and the White House), was sacrosanct. Senate rules, he said, “written into the Constitution talk about the Senate as a preserve of the minority. The Founding Fathers called it the cooling saucer.”

Andy Biggs, Arizona Republican, asks DHS to stop releasing migrants in Arizona

That same year, then-Sen. Biden — who had participated in many filibusters during his prior 32 years in the Senate — delivered a 5,000-word stem-winder on the Senate floor in defense of the long-standing practice.

The Senate, he said, “ought not act rashly by changing its rules to satisfy a strong-willed majority acting in the heat

of the moment.”

Both were right, of course, but Mr. Biden and his fellow Democrats apparently have had an epiphany and now view the filibuster as anathema.

Senate Republicans rightly resisted the temptation to abolish filibusters, despite Democrats using them repeatedly to thwart then-President George W. Bush’s agenda. Knowing full well they would someday be back in the minority, Senate Republicans wisely declined to kill the filibuster when urged to do so in 2017 by another GOP president, Donald Trump, whose agenda Senate Democrats were again stymieing.

Four years ago next week, on April 7, 2017, some 61 senators — 31 of them Democrats — co-signed a bipartisan letter to Mr. Schumer and then-Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, Kentucky Republican, pledging their allegiance to the filibuster and urging its retention.

“[W]e are steadfastly committed to ensuring this great American institution continues to serve as the world’s greatest deliberative body,” the letter said.

Nothing has changed in the four years since, except the party in control of Congress and the White House — and the legislative agenda being blocked.

Lest they be exposed as rank hypocrites for whom the end justifies the means, the Democratic senators who signed the 2017 letter need to step up and reaffirm that the filibuster, and the rights of the Senate minority, must be preserved.

— *The Washington Times*

### No to ‘vaccine passports’

COVID-19 “vaccine passports” will become the next civil-rights crisis of our time. They are un-American, a violation of individual freedom and pose a menacing privacy risk regardless of the entity requiring their use.

Any institution pushing these passports as a “good idea” is trying to destroy liberal democracy. People will be confronted with a stark choice: Either get a COVID-19 vaccination and allow the government to collect data on you or be faced with discrimination.

Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis on Monday said he would take executive action to stop the use of vaccination passports in his state.

“It’s completely unacceptable for either the government or the private sector to impose upon you the requirement that you show proof of vaccine to just simply be able to participate in normal society,” he said.

“You want the fox to guard the henhouse?” the Republican governor added. “I think this is something that has huge privacy implications. It is not necessary to do.”

NRA blasts Joe Biden over Hunter Biden’s ‘irresponsible use of firearms’

Other Republican governors such as Greg Abbott in Texas, indicated on Twitter they would follow Mr. DeSantis’ lead.

“Shots are highly recommended to prevent getting Covid but always voluntary,” Mr. Abbott wrote.

The privacy implications of a vaccine passport is colossal. It’s not hard to see how a well-meaning certification system could morph into data misuse, be subject to breaches and raise other ethical questions. Yet blue-state governors seem to be pushing them.

New York State was among the first in

the U.S. to rollout vaccine passports, and the governors in Connecticut and Hawaii have openly contemplated launching their own.

New York’s system is devised by IBM and dubbed the Excelsior Pass. It collects personal information like your name, date of birth, ZIP code and keeps details on your most recent vaccine date or negative COVID-19 test. It’s already being deployed to gain entry to events at Madison Square Garden, and New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo said it “heralds the next step in our thoughtful, science-based reopening.”

Although New York’s passport is limited in the information it’s collecting so far, what’s to bar it in the future from not including information of where you’re employed, where you live and include GPS tracking information — all of which is not difficult to obtain digitally. Who is to say how this information can be shared and with what third-party entities?

Additionally, what if a person can’t get a vaccination because of their own medical history? Like if they had a bad reaction to the first shot or if their medical provider recommended against it for a specific reason? Should they be restricted from seeing a movie, going to the grocery store or entering a theme park?

The Biden administration is working with the private sector and states to organize the passport effort, although they said there would be no centralized universal vaccination database and no federal mandate to have one.

Still, there’s a slippery slope argument to be made. More states within the U.S. need to come out like Mr. DeSantis and diametrically oppose the use of such a passport among private businesses.

— *The Washington Times*

RICH LOWRY

### Democrats want to overturn vote

Well, the principled stand Democrats took against Congress trying to overturn duly certified elections lasted all of a month or two.

After rightly excoriating their Republican colleagues for challenging on Jan. 6 presidential results certified by the states, House Democrats immediately turned to doing, in effect, the exact same thing in an Iowa congressional district their candidate lost by six votes.

Republican Mariannette Miller-Meeks won Iowa’s 2nd Congressional District by the narrowest of margins over Democrat Rita Hart. After a recount, Iowa certified her victory. Hart chose not to challenge the result in the Iowa courts, and by any reasonable standard — and certainly by the standard Democrats so stirring enunciated on Jan. 6 and afterward — that should have been the end of it.

But Hart is petitioning for the House to overturn the election, and the House Administration Committee is now reviewing the case. Politico has reported that the effort to overturn the election, led by Democratic election lawyer Marc Elias, “has been blessed by the top echelons of House Democratic leadership.”

As far as Speaker Pelosi and Co. are concerned, it’s “honor the results of elections for thee, but not for me.”

A brief for Miller-Meeks persuasively points to precedent for the House refusing to hear cases that the contesting candidate didn’t take up in the state courts first.

The Elias brief for Hart offers a tinny excuse for

*A Republican won in Iowa, but Democrats in Congress want to overturn the election.*

avoiding a contest court in Iowa. It states that Hart did not know about all of the 22 ballots she considers improperly discarded until Dec. 1 and that didn’t leave enough time to go to the Iowa contest court.

Surely, though, the court would have expedited the proceedings in light of the time constraints.

The decision to go directly to the House is transparently an effort to bypass a body that aspires to neutrality in favor of one that does not, and to avoid a decision based on Iowa law to seek one based on the partisan interests of fellow Democrats.

Sure enough, Elias has put the point in black and white. Quoting from the last case when a Democratic-controlled House overturned an election (in 1985 to award an Indiana seat to a Democrat), his brief says the committee is “certainly not bound” to follow Iowa law and indeed, “there are instances where it is in fact bound by justice and equity to deviate from it.”

Hart doesn’t allege any fraud or irregularity in the consideration of the 22 ballots, or even partisan favoritism. She just wants them to count in order to put her over the top.

There’s a question about the provenance of some of the ballots, and others clearly run afoul of Iowa law. Five

involve absentee ballots whose envelopes weren’t sealed, as required by statute. Another two ballots, which under the law must be returned by Election Day, didn’t reach the counties where the voters reside in time.

The decisions about these ballots were close calls that election officials have to make, using the law and their best judgment, all the time.

One can safely assume that a more systematic canvass would turn up similar determinations that went against Miller-Meeks. But we shouldn’t want close elections to become drawn-out battles over who can, after the fact and straining against the limits of the law, turn up more voters who claim their ballots were improperly rejected.

Iowa has a robust, clean election system through which the voters of the 2nd District have spoken.

To overturn their verdict based on a selective, self-interested collection of dubious ballots would be a partisan travesty, which is exactly why Rita Hart is asking the partisan Democratic House to do it.

The casual observer could have been forgiven for thinking that Democrats, given their vehemence around Jan. 6, sincerely believed that it’s wrong on principle to question the legitimacy of election outcomes signed, sealed and delivered to Congress.

Marc Elias, for one, knew better.

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## LETTERS

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## BIBLE SELECTION

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

— 2 Corinthians 5:21 (ESV)

## OBITUARIES

### Larry Spencer

Larry Spencer died at age 76, having lived a life that would've sent a lesser man to his grave decades earlier. He told his last joke, which cannot be printed here, on March 22, 2021. His sudden and untimely death came as quite a shock as he was only diagnosed with advanced COPD, advanced emphysema, advanced heart disease, four heart attacks, a massive stroke, arthritis, extreme stubbornness, and an immeasurable hatred for doctors.

Larry is survived by his wife, Betty, his daughter, Olivia, who was the light of his life, and a grandson to carry on his name, Spencer, all of whom he loved more than anything in this world... except kittens, gin, cigarettes, and fast cars (in that exact order).

Larry grew up on a farm in Soso, Mississippi. Never heard of it? Neither have we. He graduated from Jones County High School as valedictorian (but we are unsure if that is saying much as we have visited Jones County). He studied at Ole Miss, but never was a Rebels fan, although he himself was a true rebel at heart. Are you old enough to remember Saturday school at Ole Miss? You must if you are reading this. Only old people



Larry Spencer

read these things. Larry's incessant complaints ended the injustice of Saturday school. Emboldened, he pursued a career of making others bend to his logic and became a lawyer. He graduated magna cum laude from Jackson School of Law (now, Mississippi College School of Law), while working multiple jobs. His employment history was standard: bread truck driver, florist, ambulance/hearse driver (same vehicle but it's title differed depending on what the circumstances required).

Upon entering the legal community in Jackson, Larry promptly joined forces with Robert W. King, forming "King & Spencer." The fierce duo practiced law together for many years with never a cross word between the two. Larry was a true scholar, who loved to write. He was a good lawyer and well respected for his intellect and ability.

Larry took fashion cues from no one. He had two looks: lawyer or homeless. In his latter years, he streamlined into one look. You can guess which one. His signature "every day wear" was Levi's jeans and a t-shirt with dress shoes (an overstatement) that were no longer serviceable for the courtroom. To further simplify things, Larry also

streamlined his diet, only preferring Cock of the Walk fried catfish with a pot o' greens.

Feeling as though he had sufficiently bested his opponents in the courtroom for 43 years, Larry took to a simpler life. He excelled at maintaining a vast vegetable garden and orchard, eradicating any pests that should endanger his gardening endeavors, collecting car parts (whether he owned the car or not), and living within his means. He enjoyed his retirement on his tractor. When not on his beloved tractor, he could be found forwarding tasteless internet jokes (check your spam folder, but do not open at work!).

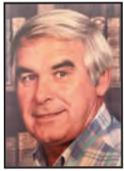
Larry has left behind an inordinate amount of stuff for his wife and daughter, who have no idea what to do with it. "Quality items" range from car mufflers to air fryers to the approximately 2,784 power tools that the women have no earthly clue what they are used for. Please wait the appropriate amount of time and get in touch. Tomorrow will be fine.

In lieu of flowers, Larry simply asked that you attend his funeral for one last goodbye. A private burial will be held for the family on March 29, 2021 at 2 p.m. A public memorial will be held and announced after the pandemic.

### Harvey Price Carr Jr.

Harvey Price Carr, Jr. died peacefully on Monday, March 29, 2021 at St. Catherine's Village in Madison, MS. He was 78 years old. Harvey is survived by his sons John Robert "Robby" Carr (Suzanne) of Ridgeland, and William Chadley "Chad" Carr (Elizabeth) of Canton; his beloved grandchildren Jack, Sam, Will, and Molly Carr; his step-grandchildren Kaley and Bradley Edwards; sister Frances Lusk; and a host of family and friends.

Harvey, a lifelong Ridgeland resident, was born April 15, 1942, and was a member of First United Methodist Church of Ridgeland. His love of sports lasted throughout his life and was evident in his extensive involvement in football, basketball, baseball, boxing, track, and rabbit hunting. Before graduating from Madison Ridgeland High School in 1960, Harvey was voted Most Athletic, Football Co-Captain, and Campus Favorite. He was



Harvey Carr Jr.

also involved in 4H. After graduation he played football at Holmes Community College and served in the National Guard.

Harvey was a steady and reliable leader in Ridgeland, serving as a long-time city alderman for Ward 1. He was also regarded as a favorite little league and pony league baseball coach for decades. He could be seen at almost any local sporting event, but he especially enjoyed his sons' and grandson Jack's baseball and football games.

During Harvey's career working at Madison County Schools, he was known as a kind and goodhearted man who could be found whistling up and down the school halls making friends while he worked. After Harvey retired, he spent time traveling the mid-south with his friends and his beagles competing in field trials. Harvey was a steadfast friend to everyone he met and was known for his quick visits all around town. Before his

illness affected him, he enjoyed mowing his family and friends' yards, one of his favorite activities.

Harvey is preceded in death by his father Harvey Price Carr, Sr.; mother Helen Capricorn Carr; step-mother Hilda "Bessie" Adcock Carr; sister Mary Carr McCraw; former wife Shirley Carr Thompson; and daughter Alison Carr. The family would like to extend heartfelt thanks to the Campbell Cove and Sienna II staff at St. Catherine's, along with the wonderful staff at Kindred Hospice. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to First United Methodist Church, 234 West Jackson St., Ridgeland MS 39157. A visitation will be held on Friday April 2nd at Parkway Funeral Home on Ridgeland from 10:00-11:00 am with a graveside service immediately following at Jessamine Cemetery, 170 Trace Ridge, Ridgeland.

## Easter

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Christian and after not having it last year, to be open this year is just so exciting," Hegi said.

Hegi lives in Madison and has attended the church since 1988. She raised her grown sons, John and Drew, in the church who will be attending services Sunday morning with their own families.

She said she is looking forward to seeing the sanctuary the fullest it has been in some time.

"We are hoping to just have tons of people," Hegi said.

Executive Pastor of Ministry Neil Marsh at Broadmoor Baptist Church said people are encouraged to register on the church's website.

"It is not required but it does help us get an idea of how many people are coming so we can make sure we have adequate seating and staff at each service," Marsh said.

He said their services will start Saturday evening at 6 p.m. He said they will also host services Sunday at 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. seating will be socially distanced and masks are not required but will be encouraged.

Marsh said there will baptisms at each service as well.

Ben Robertson, rector of Chapel of Cross in Madison said he anticipates a good turnout for Easter Sunday.

"There are some folks who are real excited about being back in church and wish we would have even less restrictions than we are observing but there are still a lot of folks who haven't come out of their shell quite yet,"

Robertson said. "I don't know that we will max out by any stretch of the imagination, but I think we will have good crowds."

To accommodate the anticipated large turnout for Easter Sunday Robertson said the Chapel of the Cross is planning four services, one at 7:30 a.m. in the Chapel of the Cross, and two main services, one at 8:45 a.m. and another at 11 a.m. in the church's new space and then a 5 p.m. service in the Chapel of the Cross.

Robertson said he expects to use the COVID-19 pandemic of the past year as an element in his Easter message.

"Someone said to me the other day, 'Trauma that is not transformed is transmitted meaning that if we don't process the pain and the death and the cross in our lives then we cannot be fully resurrected and made new,'" Robertson said. "So, how in this time as the pandemic is ending and this time of celebration of the resurrection are we being transformed and how will we transform our own lives? How will we transform the pain we may have suffered during this year of pandemic into a renewed discipleship?"

Laura Wofford, a member of The First Presbyterian of Jackson, said Easter is one of her favorite days of the year and she is looking forward to worshipping in person.

"I am thankful our church will have the opportunity to worship together in person," Wofford said. "The message of Easter is such a reflection of the spring season with the death and resurrection and that is why it is one of my favorites."

David Strain, the senior minister at First Presbyterian Church, said the church has implemented "careful COVID

protocols" and their Good Friday and Easter Morning services will be no exception. The sanctuary will be split into two sections, one where masks are optional when seated and one where they are not. Seating will also be spaced to allow for social distancing.

Strain said they will hold a Friday evening Good Friday service at 6 p.m. and Sunday morning services at 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. There will also be the regular 6 p.m. service.

"We are seeing a lot of people eager after a long year of isolation to be back in church," Strain said. "There is a lot of joy and excited meant and for some, this will be their first day back in a church since last year."

At the Good Friday service, Strain plans to preach on the trials of the cross and suffering of Christ. His Sunday message will come from John's recounting of Christ's resurrection. He said that the isolation many have undergone to ensure their physical health has likely come at a cost to mental and spiritual health. He said that for many, returning to the social aspects of in-person services is "a big deal."

Wofford said she has heard an "optimistic and hopeful" attitude from her church family and looks forward to hearing the message of the Gospel, which she noted is preached every week at First Pres.

"I just look forward to having the opportunity to let my mask down for a bit and see everyone's smiling faces," Wofford said. "It will be really sweet."

Saint Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 4000 W. Tidewater Lane in Madison, has been holding in-person services since last May, said Sallie Ann Inman, the church's office man-

## BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVES/J. Ligon Duncan III

# Paul's prayer and thanksgiving

Please turn in your Bible to Colossians 1:3-8. In this letter, Paul is battling a heresy amongst the church at Colossae, which does not reject Christ outright, but claims to introduce these Christians to something in addition to what they had heard from Epaphras originally. As a result, Paul directs them to the sole sufficiency of Christ in his person and in his saving work. And in these verses specifically, Paul wants to reassure the Christians at Colossae that they have heard the gospel, and he wants to confirm the message that Epaphras has brought to them. This passage can easily be divided into three sections. First, Paul gives a thanksgiving in prayer. Secondly, he gives a description of the triad of faith, hope, and love. Thirdly and finally, Paul concludes this passage with a fivefold testimony.

### I. Paul's Thanksgiving In Prayer.

In verse 3, Paul begins by announcing a prayer of thanksgiving. He thanks God specifically for what God is doing in the Colossians. It is important to note Paul's generosity here. He could have legitimately opened this letter with many words of criticism. But Paul's first words are words of thanksgiving for what God is doing. As we read this passage, we have to ask ourselves, "Is that our attitude? Are we always looking to give thanks to God for what He is doing in our midst, in our friends, and in our families?" Now, very interestingly, Paul thanks God for the faith of the Colossians. If you read the letters of the Apostle Paul, he never once in his writings congratulates his readers for his faith. He always thanks God for it. And that reminds us that faith itself is the gift of God. Yes, we believe in Christ but it is God who works faith in us. It is wrought in us by the work of the Holy Spirit. Now I want you to note that Paul's thanksgiving also has the effect of undercutting false teaching. The false teachers are saying to the Colossians, "What you have is good, but you need more." However, Paul says, "I thank God that you do not need to seek a new and improved teaching, because you possess the truth already." You see he undercuts the false teaching by his very thanksgiving. Christians must recognize the importance and power of thanksgiving. We

ourselves must follow in this pattern. We must ask ourselves, "Do we imitate Paul's thankful spirit?"

### II. Paul's Triad: Faith, Love, Hope.

Then Paul introduces this great triad of faith, love, and hope. Paul is not talking about natural characteristics or things that we have naturally as personality attributes. Paul is talking about qualities which are worked in us by the Holy Spirit. When you see these things in a person, you are seeing evidence of the work of God. In verse 4, Paul says, "We give thanks to God since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus." As he speaks of this faith, Paul is speaking of that reliance on Christ, that trust in Christ, that belief in Christ, and that commitment to Christ which these Colossians have made. And it is important to note that he stresses the fact that Christ is the object of that faith. Then Paul says that he thanks God for their love. Again, this is not simply a human affection, this is self-denying concern which puts the best interest of others as a priority in our relationships to them. Notice again this is not just love to family or love to spouse or love to children, but this is a love of the Christian brotherhood, which is a distinctive gift of the Spirit. Jesus said that all people would know that we are his disciples by our love for one another. This should teach us that there is no room in the church for any intellectual, spiritual, or social elite which separates itself from fellow believers whom Christ has accepted. Lastly, Paul points to hope. Note here that Paul says that hope is the cause of faith and love. Hope enables you to believe and to love. Hope is confident assurance and expectancy of the greater blessings in store for believers in the world to come. Hope expects what faith believes. Paul is telling the Colossians and us that we do not need to look for mystical experiences to see the work of God in us. Instead, we look to Christ, love the brethren, and hope for glory. That is the sign of the work of God in us.

### III. Paul's Fivefold Testimony.

In verses 5-8, Paul testifies to the truth that these Colossians have already received. First, Paul tells them, "You have heard the word of truth. You have heard the Gospel." In

other words, he is warning them that no one can come to them and say, "Okay now we are going to give you the rest of the truth." Why? Because they have already heard the truth. He is saying, "Epaphras has already preached it to you. Do not be tricked." Secondly, Paul says, "This word of truth not only came to you, but it is in all the world." In other words, this is not some secret that only a few people know about. The whole world knows about the word of the Gospel. It is being spread everywhere. Thirdly, he says that this Gospel is working. You can imagine the false teachers saying, 'Yeah, well what Epaphras is saying is fine but we have got something that will really work. It will just revolutionize you're experience with God.' To those claims, the Apostle Paul says in verse 6, "It is working. It is bearing fruit and increasing." Fourthly, in verse 8, he says, "You learned it from Epaphras, our beloved fellow bondservant, who is a faithful servant of Christ." In other words when these men come and say, "Oh Epaphras hasn't told you the whole story." Paul responds, "That is wrong. He has told you the whole story because he is a faithful servant." And finally, Paul says, "Not only have you heard the truth, but you understood it. Do not be tricked by someone saying that you need a new and improved teaching. You do not because you understood the grace of God when he first taught it to you."

My friends, let me ask you this. Do you believe Paul's testimony that Christ and His Gospel is all-sufficient? Do you believe that the Christian life ought to be characterized by faith, love, and hope? Has God worked that in your midst? If you do not see those things, then come to Christ. Ask of him and He will fill you abundantly with faith and love and hope. Ask him to work in your heart a thankfulness which is befitting the Christian. May God, by His grace, make these realities for us, and may we truly become a people characterized by faith and love and hope.

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Saint Francis will hold three Masses on Easter Sunday, she said, one at 8 a.m. in the church, one at 9 a.m. in the church's family life center and another at 10:30 a.m. in the church.

"We are going to be keeping everyone safe," Inman said. "We will have an overflow section in another building."

First Baptist Church in Canton will hold services at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Cook said that the focus of his sermon will be the hope instilled by the resurrection.

"I will be focusing on the hopefulness of Christ's resurrection," Cook said. "Not just as a historical event but as it has results that carry over into our lives today and will continue to through the future."

He said that the church has and will continue to take careful precautions, specifically in spacing and hygiene and are "grateful" that they have not been able to trace any serious spread of the virus to their various worship services and meetings.

Associate Pastor Brian Johnston said that St. Matthews United Methodist said that their church has sought to offer everyone the opportunity to worship during the pandemic.

"We have really been trying to reach everyone where they are and Easter is no different," Johnston said.

Johnston said that they will have multiple members of their worship staff offering services at four different times in multiple parts of the church campus, including traditional services with a choir in the Sanctuary at 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. This will include concurrent services in the parking lot, where motorists can pull up and tune in on their radio to hear a

message delivered by one of their team in the parking lot, and a more contemporary set off worship services with a praise band in the church gymnasium.

"I hope my message will remind folks that God is infinite through time and that means that it is Easter Sunday whether there is a pandemic or not," Johnston said.

Redeemer, (PCA) Church at 640 E. Northside Drive in Jackson has been seeing good attendance in recent months but that seating has been reduced to approximately 50% of the church's 716 full capacity.

Gault said Redeemer will offer two services on Easter Sunday, one at 8 a.m. and one at 11 a.m.

"For Easter we are configuring things a little bit differently, maintaining socially distanced seating for most of the folks, but we have a number of people who are families who sit together each week so starting Easter we will also have a non-socially distanced section so we will be able to get up to about 325 (per service)," Gault said.

Galloway Methodist, 305 N. Congress St., Jackson, has been operating under COVID-19 restrictions since the pandemic began said the Rev. Cary Stockett, senior pastor.

"Although we see encouraging signs, I think there are still a whole lot more folks that need to get vaccinated here in Mississippi," Stockett said.

Stockett said the church can accommodate about 800 people socially distance by 6 feet and everyone must wear a mask and have their temperatures screened upon entering and people can preregister to reserve seats on the church's website.

"As for Easter we are trying to accommodate the maximum number of people that we can

and still do that with some reasonable degree of safety so we are having two services instead of one." Stockett said, one at 8:30 a.m. and another service at 11 a.m. "We have also established an overflow room where folks can sit."

Christ United Methodist will hold three Easter Sunday worship services at 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Christ United Methodist Lead Pastor Dr. Bob Rambo said that they expect to operate at about 45 percent of their sanctuary's capacity with between 750 and 900 people at each of their three services. Their sanctuary can hold 2200 at full capacity and Rambo said that has given them room for social distancing. He said they will be able to accommodate between 750 and 900 worshippers per service.

Worshippers will be socially distanced and asked to wear a mask, though Rambo said they will have a section with more relaxed protocols for those who have been vaccinated.

On Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021, First Baptist Jackson will be hosting a community-wide Sunrise Service to celebrate the Easter holiday. This outdoor service will be at the Mississippi Agricultural Museum at 7:15 a.m. for all residents of the Jackson metropolitan area.

In addition, FBJ will be having their regular Easter services at their downtown campus at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

"All are welcome to attend and our COVID protocols will be followed while in the building," Michael Bowen, FBJ Minister of Media and Communications.

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**Getting the Message/Rev. Chris Shelton**

**Easter 2021**

In Colossians 3:1-3, the apostle Paul writes: "If you then have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God."

The apostle infers that Christ has been raised, and that all who belong to him by faith have been raised spiritually with him. Christ's bodily resurrection from death and ascension into heaven is an article of the Christian faith. The power of a holy Christian life lies here.

Christ's resurrection is an evidence of his conquest. If he had not conquered he could not have risen. When he rose from the dead, he encouraged his disciples not to fear (Matthew 28:10). We hold on to all by the resurrection of Christ.

When Christ tells his people not to fear, there is solid ground for the encouragement. Fear not death, for I have overcome death; and the evidence is in my resurrection. Fear not sin, because I have made satisfaction for it on the cross. Fear not the devil: I, by my resurrection, have crushed his head; nor the world for I have overcome the world.

Christ has trod upon the necks of all our spiritual enemies and conquered them all. Paul is instructing Christians that once you are raised with Christ, you are born into a living hope. With spiritual resurrection there is life, so the apostle directs us to have our hearts set on the life in Christ. Therefore, whatever we do is to be by faith, bearing witness to Christ, who is seated above in glory.

Christians in this world meet with many troubles and temptations, so we need to remind ourselves that we are raised with Christ. The same Spirit is promised to us that raised Christ from the dead. We are seekers. We seek that which is above, the honor of Christ, so we must make use of the means the Lord provides: prayer, his word, assurance in the sacraments, worshipping with

other Christians. Paul says, "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly."

Paul equates the power of Christ's resurrection with the spiritual resurrection God works in those who believe in Christ. The work of grace in a Christian is not a small work, but a powerful work. It was a powerful work that raised Christ from the dead, and so it must be to raise a man dead in sin to faith and life in Christ.

When Christ was put to death, there was a stone rolled over his grave, and it was a work of God's power to remove it as it was to raise Christ. So whoever finds this work of grace in their hearts should be full of thanksgiving unto God for his inestimable favor, and especially this powerful work, which Paul likens to God's command in the beginning: "Let there be light." (2nd Cor. 4)

Paul is encouraging Christians to live out the spiritual life we have in Christ. We have an obligation to the Spirit that dwells in us. We were dead in trespasses and sin, but made alive in Christ. Lazarus was four days in the grave before Christ raised him. We can easily imagine how this miracle endeared his love to Christ exceedingly.

We would naturally love one who, through great hazard and danger to his own life, was instrumental in saving ours. Our lives in this world are numbered and short. How much more should you love Christ who has given you spiritual life and granted you escape from eternal death? A Christian's life is not his own but belongs to Christ. He has secured an inheritance that waits for us.

The apostle Peter writes: "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time (1st Peter 1:3-5)."

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# Ridgeland aldermen update food truck ordinance

By **DUNCAN DENT**  
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As a food truck court in the old Bumper's on U.S. 51 nears completion, the owners say they hope to be serving up tacos, burritos, wings and burgers by the end of April.

Carlos Garcia owns the food truck court in progress at 238 U.S. 51 just north of I-55. Most recently the space was Lee's Deer Processing and before that a Bumper's Drive-In.

Garcia will operate two food trucks out of the court and told city officials when site plans and architectural review for the court were approved by the Mayor and Board of Alderman last summer that he hoped to rent spaces to other truck operators as well.

In addition to food truck parking, the development will feature customer parking and covered seating.

He said they expect to serve a variety of "the most popular"

foods and cuisines. He said his trucks will serve popular Mexican food such as tacos and burritos, wings and burgers and other selections.

"I think we will have something for everybody, anyone who wants to come," Garcia said.

He said he hopes to be open in three or four weeks.

City officials approved a food truck ordinance in November 2018 stipulating the registration and permit process

of individual food trucks looking to operate in the city. Requirements included Architectural Review Board approval and other stipulations. At the time city officials said the process would allow for trucks looking to park individually at events as well as forming parks or commissaries.

Most recently, Community Development Director Alan Hart presented a proposal to the city board at their last regular meeting that would repeal and

replace Chapter 22, Article V of the city's mobile food vending ordinance.

"These changes will better accommodate the operators of the food trucks and will ensure that we can get sales tax from them," Hart said.

The amendment was passed on the consent agenda unanimously, 6-0, with Ward 4 Alderman Brian Ramsey absent.

Hart said that the changes had festivals and weekend

events in mind and would not affect Garcia's business.

Ward 2 Alderman Chuck Gautier pointed out that the new language also eases up on previous brick and mortar requirements for food trucks.

Before opening, Garcia will have to receive city Architectural Review Board approval for his two trucks. Any additional trucks will need ARB approval as well.

# 7 new school outbreaks reported as COVID-19 cases decline in county

By **JOHN LEE**  
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Although weekly cases of COVID-19 in Madison County are on the decline, 39 students and two teachers were quarantined last week due to seven outbreaks, according to Wednesday's Mississippi State Department of Health report.

The outbreaks occurred at Germantown High School, Madison-Ridgeland Academy, Madison Station, Mannsdale Upper Elementary, Rosa Scott and St. Andrews Episcopal School, the MSDH said.

According to Wednesday's MSDH report 64,376 vaccinations were administered in Madison County on the past

week. COVID-19 vaccinations are up 7,155 from last week's 57,513 total.

The MSDH vaccination report does not distinguish the county of residence of the people receiving the vaccines so all of those vaccines may not have been administered to people who are residents of Madison

County.

Vaccines are currently available for all Mississippians age 16 and older and are available at the Walmart locations in Canton and Madison. Go to <https://msdh.ms.gov/c19appointm#local> to check availability.

Vaccinations also are currently being administered by

appointment in Madison County at Canton High School, 634 Finney Road in Canton on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Sign up online at [covidvaccine.umc.edu](http://covidvaccine.umc.edu) or call 1-877-978-6453. The website is the best option, officials have said.

Madison County has recorded 9,816 COVID-19 cases, up

59 cases from 9,757 in last week's report, and 208 COVID-19 deaths, up one from last week's report, since the pandemic began last March, according to MSDH statistics released Wednesday.

The MSDH on Monday issued updated guidance on safer faith-based gatherings and worship services.

## LEGALS

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**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN RE: THE ESTATE OFFRANCES C. REYNOLDS, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 2020-1029C NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Letters Testamentary having been Granted on the 9th day of March, 2021, By the Chancery Court for Madison County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Executrix upon the Estate of Frances C. Reynolds, deceased, notice hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law, with in ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred. This the 11th day of March, 2021/s/ Carol R. Druey CAROL R. DRUEY, Executrix of the Estate of Frances C. Reynolds, deceased - Prepared by: John G. (Trae) Sims, III (MSB # 99679) TAGGART, RIMONS & GRAHAM, PLLC 1022 Highland Colony Parkway, Ste. 101 Ridgeland, MS 39157 Phone: (601) 898-8400 Facsimile (601) 898-8420 traeg@trglawyers.com Attorney for Petitioner

### Notice to Bidders Depository of Funds

Notice is hereby given to all qualified financial institutions that the school board of the Canton Public School District, pursuant to the provisions of section 37-7-333, 27-105-305 and 27-105-315 of the Mississippi code of 1972 as amended, shall receive sealed bids for the privilege of keeping the school district funds from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024 and thereafter until new arrangements shall be made according to law. Said bids shall be received at the Office of the Superintendent, 403 East Lincoln Street, Canton, Mississippi 39046, until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 6, 2021, and each shall be submitted on the bid proposal form, which may be obtained from the office of the Superintendent. The school board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any irregularities in the bids. In order to be considered, each sealed bid shall have "Depository Bid" / Gary Hannah-Gary Hannah, Superintendent Publish: March 18, 2021 March 25, 2021 April 1, 2021

**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN RE: ESTATE OF DWIGHT PRESLEY, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 2021-195B SUMMONS STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF MADISON**

TO: Unknown Heirs at Law of Dwight Presley, Deceased/You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Vivian M. Presley seeking Determination of Heirs. You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action at 9 a.m. on May 7, 2021, in the courtroom of the Madison County Chancery Court, in Canton, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or things demanded in the Petition. ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT, this 15th day of March, 2021./s/ Ivy Stephens, D.C.HON. RONNY LOTT, CLERK-MADISON COUNTY CHANCERY COURT Prepared by: J. Hale Freeland, MS Bar No. 5525 Freeland Martz, PLLC 302 Enterprise Drive, Suite A0X-ford, MS 38655662.234.1711 hale@freelandmartz.com

**TERMINAL APRON SEAL COAT-BRUCE CAMPBELL FIELD A.I.P. NO. 3-28-0046-028-2021**

The City of Madison is requesting sealed bids for the Terminal Apron Sealcoat project. All bids shall be marked "Terminal Apron Sealcoat, April 23, 2021" on the outside of the envelope. All bids shall be submitted to the City of Madison until 1:30 PM local time, April 23, 2021 at Madison City Hall, 1004 Madison Avenue, Madison, MS 39110, or by electronic submission at <https://www.centralbidding.com/>, then until 2:00 PM local time Wednesday, April 23, 2021 at the Denson Robinson Public Services Complex at 1239 Highway 51, Madison, MS 39110. Bids will be opened at the Denson Robinson Public Services Complex. Any bids received after the specified time will not be opened. The City of Madison reserves the right to reject any and all bids. The work is generally described as follows: Terminal Apron Sealcoat including pavement marking removal, sealcoat, new pavement markings, and related incidental items. The contract time for the Bid is 14 consecutive calendar days for Part 1 construction (all work excluding sealcoat cure time and final markings), and 1 calendar day for Part 2 construction (final markings

after sealcoat cure time). Liquidated damages in the amount of \$500.00 will be assessed for each calendar day thereafter. A pre-bid conference is planned for this project on April 15, 2021 at 3:00 PM in the Conference Room at Madison Air Center, 7450 Old Canton Road, Madison, MS 39110. It is strongly recommended that prospective bidders attend the pre-bid conference. Any questions that bidders might have should be directed to the following: Neel-Schaffer, Inc., 215 Waterford Square, Madison, MS 39110, 601-898-8118 (phone), tom.henderson@neel-schaffer.com to the attention of Tom Henderson. Hand Delivery Address: Until 1:30 PM Ruth Gibbons, Deputy Clerk 1004 Madison Avenue Madison, MS 39110 until 2:00 PM Friday, April 23, 2021 Ruth Gibbons, Deputy Clerk/Denson Robinson Public Services Complex 1239 Highway 51 Madison, MS 39110 Mailing Address: Ruth Gibbons, Deputy Clerk P.O. Box 40 Madison, MS 39130 Electronic Delivery: [www.centralbidding.com](http://www.centralbidding.com) Bid documents are being made available via digital file through Central Bidding. Plan holders are required to register for an account at [www.centralbidding.com](http://www.centralbidding.com) to view Bid Documents. All plan holders are required to have a valid email address for log-in or registration. Bid documents are nonrefundable and must be purchased through the website. Questions regarding website registration, electronic bidding and online orders please contact Central Bidding at 225-810-4814. Bidders must be qualified under Mississippi Law and show a current Certificate of Responsibility issued by the Mississippi Board of Public Contractors establishing classification as to the value and type of construction work on which he is authorized to bid. The Contract Documents (drawings, specifications, proposal forms, general conditions, etc.) may be examined at the following locations: FAA, Airports District Office, 100 West Cross Street, Suite B, Jackson International Airport, Jackson, Mississippi 39208 Office of Aeronautics, Mississippi Department of Transportation, 401 North West Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39201 Neel-Schaffer, Inc., 215 Waterford Square, Madison, Mississippi 39110 OACB Plan Room, 5165 Old Brandon Road, Pearl, MS 39208 OACB Plan Room, 2093 Lakeland Dr., Jackson MS 39216 Bidders attention is invited to the Instructions to Bidders relative to pre-award, equal employment opportunity requirements, and non-segregated facilities. Bids must be submitted on the standard form of bid proposal and must include a Bid Bond in the amount of 5% of the Bid. The successful bidder will be required to execute the standard form of Contract and Agreement, together with a 100% Performance Bond and a 100% Payment Bond, within 10 days after formal award of the contract. The bidder shall guarantee to hold his bid good and may not withdraw his bid for a period of 90 calendar days after the scheduled closing time for receiving bids. This project is subject to the requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act, as amended. The Contractor is required to comply with wage and labor provisions and to pay minimum wages in accordance with the schedule of wage rates established by the United States Department of Labor. This project is subject to the requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Participation. The owner has established a contract goal of 0.00 percent participation for small businesses concerns owned and controlled by qualified disadvantaged business enterprises (DBE). The bidder shall make and document good faith efforts, as defined in Appendix A of 49 CFR Part 26, to meet the established goal. Award of contract is also subject to the following Federal provisions: Executive Order 11246 and DOL Regulation 41 CFR Part 60 - Affirmative Action to Ensure Equal Employment Opportunity; DOL Regulation 29 CFR Part 5 - Davis-Bacon Act DOT Regulation 49 CFR Part 29 - Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension and Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-free Workplace DOT Regulation 49 CFR Part 30 - Denial of Public Works Contracts to Suppliers of Goods and Services of Countries that Deny Procurement Market Access to U.S. Contractors (Foreign Trade Restriction). TITLE 49 United States Code, CHAPTER 501 - Buy American Preferences MDOT Title VI Non-Discrimination Agreement The award, if made, will be made to the party submitting the bid deemed most favorable to City of Madison at the time the conditions are stipulated. The City of Madison reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities or irregularities in the bids received. BY: s/ Susan B. Crandall City Clerk FOR: City of Madison, Mississippi ADVERTISING DATES: March 25, 2021 April 1, 2021

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**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY ANN CANADY, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 2021-0157-B Notice To Creditors**

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 11th day of March, 2021 by the Chancery Court of Madison County, Mississippi, to the undersigned, on the Estate of Mary Ann Canady, Deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against this Estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this Notice or they will be forever barred. This, the 18th day of March, 2021./s/ Jana Canady Bell Executrix-Counsel/s/ William C. Bell William C. Bell Bell Law Firm, PLLC 443 Northpark Drive, Suite BRidgeland, MS 39157601-956-0360

**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE DETERMINATION OF THE HEIRS AND/OR WRONGFUL DEATH BENEFICIARIES OF CLETA HOWELL, DECEASED CAUSE NO.: 2021-82W SUMMONS NOTICE BY PUBLICATION YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMONS:**

Any and all persons or parties who are interested in or claim any right, title or interest as heirs-at-law and wrongful death beneficiaries of Cleta Howell, deceased, including, but not limited to, the unknown heirs-at-law and wrongful death beneficiaries of Cleta Howell, if they believing and not to be found therein after diligent search and inquiry and whose places of residence, post office, and street and house addresses are unknown after diligent street search and inquiry to ascertain the same, and if dead, their unknown devisees, executors, administrators or legal representatives are not to be found after diligent search and inquiry, and whose places of residence, post offices, and street and house addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry to ascertain the same. You have been made Defendants in the lawsuit filed in the Courty Ronald Howell to establish the heirs-at-law and wrongful death beneficiaries of Cleta Howell, deceased. IF TO BE FOUND IN THIS COUNTY, to be and appear before the Honorable James C. Walker, of the Chancery Court of Madison County, at the Madison County Chancery Courthouse in Canton, Mississippi, on the 10th day of May, 2021, at 8:45 a.m., next, then and there to show cause, if any they can why Ronald Howell should not be declared the only heir-at-law and wrongful death beneficiary of Cleta Howell, deceased, according to law, and further to do and suffer such things as shall be considered and ordered by the Court aforesaid in the premises, and have then and there this, with an endorsement thereon to the manner in which you shall have served. YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action on the date and time as set forth herein above before the Honorable James C. Walker in Canton, Mississippi; and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition. You are not required to file answer or other pleadings, but you may do so if you desire. WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court at Madison County, Mississippi, this the 23rd day of March, 2021. RONNY LOTT, CLERK MADISON COUNTY CHANCERY COURT (Seal) BY: s/ Stacey Toten, D.C

**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JANE ROBINSON EMIDY MAGEE, DECEASED CAUSE NO.: P2021-138 W NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 19th day of March 2021 by the Chancery Court of Madison County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Executor of the Estate of Jane Robinson Emidy Magee, Deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the clerk of this court for probate and registration according to the law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred. This the 25th day of March, 2021./s/ J. Michael Emidy a/k/a Mike Emidy. J. MICHAEL EMIDY A/K/A MIKE EMIDY EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF JANE ROBINSON EMIDY MAGEE, DECEASED

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**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DOROTHY MAE PARKER, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 45CH1:21-cv-00197 BELINDA P. GIBSON EXECUTOR NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 18th day of March, 2021 by the Chancery Court of Madison County, Mississippi to the Executor of the Estate of Dorothy Mae Parker, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate to present the same to the Clerk of this court for probate and registration according to law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred. This the 24th day of March, 2021. Respectfully submitted: BELINDA P. GIBSON, Executor BY: s/ Joseph J. Stroble Joseph J. Stroble, Esq., MB # 10779 Attorney for Estate/Executor OF COUNSEL: Joseph J. Stroble, Esq., MB # 10779 Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP 188 East Capitol Street, Suite 1000 Jackson, MS 39201 TEL: (601) 948 8000 FAX: (601) 948-3000 jstroble@bradley.com

**CORRECTED LEGAL NOTICE MADISON, MISSISSIPPI REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES**

The City of Madison requests proposals from qualified firms or individuals to provide engineering services for work related to the implementation of approved FY 2021 CDBG project(s). You are invited to submit a proposal, in accordance with this request, to the Office of the Community Development, City of Madison, 1004 Madison Avenue, Madison, Mississippi 39110, no later than 9:00 a.m. local time on April 20, 2021. The Engineer will be responsible for performing all engineering services through project closeout in accordance with federal, state and local laws, regulations and policies. The scope of work includes but is not limited to the following: 1) prepare plans and specifications, 2) distribute bid documents, 3) assist in bid opening and prepare bid tabulation, 4) assist in the execution of construction contracts, 5) hold pre-construction conference, and 6) perform construction inspection including periodic reports to the City and approve all payment requests. The City of Madison is an Equal Opportunity Employer. The City encourages Minority-owned Business Enterprises (MBEs) and Woman-owned Business Enterprises (WBEs) to submit proposals. The City also encourages Section 3 eligible businesses to submit proposals. Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended (12 U.S.C. 17010) requires, to the greatest extent feasible, that the City and its contractors that participate in the above referenced Program give opportunities for job training and employment to lower income residents of Madison. Section 3 also requires that contracts for work in connection with the Section 3 area be awarded to Section 3 eligible business concerns. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope and marked with the following language: "Proposal for CDBG Engineering Services." Proposals will be evaluated on the following factors: Qualifications (40 points), Experience (40 points) and Capacity for Performance (20 points). To be evaluated properly, the following must be addressed in detail: Qualifications - List of qualifications of persons to be assigned to project; Experience - Information regarding the firm's experience and the projects previously undertaken, including the type and amount of grants awarded, the project activities, and the status of the projects; Capacity for Performance - Identify the number and title of staff assigned to provide services. The City will designate a selection committee to evaluate each proposal. The selection committee may hold proposals for a period of not to exceed thirty (30) days for the purpose of reviewing the content of the proposals and investigating the qualifications of the firms and assigned individuals. The City reserves the right to reject any and/or all proposals. Subject to CDBG award(s) and the removal of all environmental conditions, the City will award a contract with the qualified individual or firm whose proposals has the highest number of cumulative points issued by the selection committee and determined to be the most advantageous to the City, price and other factors considered. The contract will include scope and extent of work and other essential requirements. An individual contract will be executed for each awarded project, and the contract will be on a fixed price basis. The City has the authority to terminate the selection at any time. PUBLISH DATE:

APRIL 1, 2021 AND APRIL 8, 2021

**MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI INVITATION FOR BIDS KNUCKLEBOOM TRUCK**

The Madison County Board of Supervisors will receive un-priced proposals on the following: 1. Knuckleboom Truck Un-priced proposals will be accepted until 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 29, 2021 by electronic submission at <http://www.madison-co.com/bids> or in sealed envelope at the Chancery Clerk's Office, 125 West North Street, Canton, Mississippi. For any questions relating to the electronic submission process, please call Keshia Buckner at 601-855-5534. Submitted un-priced proposals will be evaluated, and vendors submitting acceptable proposals will be invited to submit priced bids. Bidding will be held by electronic reverse auction on Monday, May 10, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. Bidders may come to the Office of Purchasing with a paper bid and receive technical assistance in entering their bid in the reverse auction. Specifications for the knuckleboom truck are available on the bid page of the Madison County Board of Supervisors at: <http://www.madison-co.com/bids>. Additionally, specifications are on file in the Chancery Clerk's Office, Madison County Office Complex, 125 West North Street, Canton, Mississippi, 39046 and available during normal business hours. There is no charge for specifications obtained using either of these methods. All bids must comply with the specifications provided. Madison County reserves the right to amend these specifications, as necessary, and agrees to notify all who have requested bid packets from the Madison County Board of Supervisors. The Madison County Board of Supervisors reserves the right to extend the auction date if necessary, to complete the bid proposal pre-qualification process. Electronic proposals must be submitted at <http://www.madison-co.com/bids>. All in-person submitted un-priced proposals must be sealed and clearly labeled on the outside of the bid envelope as instructed in the bid package and delivered to the Chancery Clerk's Office, at 125 West North Street, Canton, Mississippi. The Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any and all bids. SUBMITTED: MADISON COUNTY JOURNAL FOR PUBLICATION ON: Thursday, April 1, 2021 Thursday, April 8, 2021

**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SHERRELL THORNTON, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 2021-132 B NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 26th day of March, 2021, by the Chancery Court of Madison County, Mississippi to the undersigned Administratrix of the Estate of Sherrell Thornton, Deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for Probate and Registration according to law within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this Notice or they will be forever barred. This the 26th day of March, 2021./s/ Charman Lea Thornton Charman Lea Thornton, Administratrix of the Estate of Sherrell Thornton, Deceased Prepared by: s/ John Howard Shows JOHN HOWARD SHOWS, MSB #6776 RICHARD A. EISENBERGER, JR., MSB #102572 SHOWS LAW FIRM PLLC 242 Market Street Flowood, Mississippi 39232 Telephone: (601) 664-0044 Facsimile: (601) 664-0047

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**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF EDNA MERLE CLARK WILLIAMS, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 2020-1124 (B) NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 1st day of February, 2021, by the Chancery Court of Madison County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Executor under the Last Will and Testament of Edna Merle Clark Williams, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred. THIS, the 11th

day of March, 2021./s/ Todd Clark Williams TODD CLARK WILLIAMS, Executor under the Last Will and Testament of Edna Merle Clark Williams, deceased PUBLISHED: 4/1/21, 4/8/21 & 4/15/21 SAMUEL H. WILLIFORD, MSB #100095 WILLIFORD, McALLISTER, JACOBUS & WHITE, LLP ATTORNEYS AT LAW 303 Highland Park Cove, Suite A Ridgeland, Mississippi 39157 (601) 991-2000 SOLICITOR

**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF SPENCER RIVERS RATCLIFF, DECEASED CIVIL ACTION NO. 21-241 NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 23rd day of March, 2021, by the Chancery Court of Madison County, Mississippi to Steve Ratcliff, Administrator of the Estate of Spencer Rivers Ratcliff, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law in writing within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this Notice or they will be forever barred. STEVE RATCLIFF Administrator Prepared by: John R. Elliott, Jr. (MBN 100372) JELLIOTT LAW FIRM, P.L.L.C. P. O. Box 2605 Madison, Mississippi 39130 Telephone: 601-499-0460 Facsimile: 601-499-0461

**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF ELIZABETH S. ROOKS, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 2021-84 (W) NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 4th day of March, 2021, by the Chancery Court of Madison County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Co-Executors under the Last Will and Testament of Elizabeth S. Rooks, deceased, Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred. WITNESS OUR SIGNATURES, this the 30th day of March, 2021./s/ John Dunaway JOHN DUNAWAY ROOKS, III, Co-Executor under the Last Will and Testament of Elizabeth S. Rooks, Deceased/s/ William Joseph Rooks WILLIAM JOSEPH ROOKS, Co-Executor under the Last Will and Testament of Elizabeth S. Rooks, Deceased PUBLISHED: 4/1/21, 4/8/21 & 4/15/21 SAMUEL H. WILLIFORD, MSB #100095 WILLIFORD, McALLISTER, JACOBUS & WHITE, LLP 303 Highland Park Cove, Suite A Ridgeland, Mississippi 39157 Telephone No. 601-991-2000 Facsimile No. 601-991-0859 SOLICITOR

**TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE**

WHEREAS, on August 3, 2016, Jasvir Kaur became justly indebted to I-55 Development, LLC and did, on that date, for the purpose of securing said indebtedness, execute a certain Land Deed of Trust to Bridgette H. Harrell, Trustee for I-55 Development, LLC, Beneficiary, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the land records of the office of the Chancery Clerk of Madison County, Mississippi in Land Deed of Trust Book 3376, at Page 01, and WHEREAS, default having been made in the performance of the stipulations and conditions set forth in the said Land Deed of Trust and having been requested to do so by the legal holder of said indebtedness, notice is hereby given that I, Bridgette H. Harrell, Trustee, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in said Land Deed of Trust, will offer for sale and outcry to the highest bidder, for cash, between the hours of 11:00 A.M., and 4:00 P.M., at the South main front door of the Madison County Courthouse at 128 West North Street, Canton, Madison County, Mississippi, on the 22nd day of April, 2021, the following described land and property situated in Madison County, Mississippi, to wit: Lot 2, Fontanelle Subdivision, Phase 1, a subdivision according to the map or plat thereof which is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Madison County at Canton, Mississippi, in Plat Cabinet E at Slide 22B-24A, reference to which is hereby made. Title to said property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Trustee. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 15th day of April, 2021. BRIDGETTE H. HARRELL, TRUSTEE Publish: April 1, 2021 April 8, 2021 April 15, 2021 BRIDGETTE H. HARRELL, TRUSTEE 385 EDGEWOOD TERRACE DRIVE-JACKSON, MS 39206 TELEPHONE: 601 373-4647

# Canton primaries on for Tuesday

By **SCOTT HAWKINS**  
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**CANTON** — Voters will go to the polls to cast ballots in Tuesday's municipal primary election that had been stalled by court battles between two Canton Municipal Democratic Party election commissions.

The two election commissions had submitted differing ballots with one banning several candidates, including incumbent Mayor William

Truly Jr. and his wife, Natwassie Truly, citing residency infractions and another over a procedural matter.

After a court hearing last month, however, Special Circuit Court Judge Lamar Pickard of Hazlehurst ruled that all candidates should be placed on the ballots.

Only one candidate filed to run as a Republican, Charles Chip Matthews, who is running against Truly for the mayor's seat.

All other candidates in Canton are running as Democrats. For Ward 1: Rodriguez Brown, Colby Walker; Ward 2: Fred Esco Jr., Renee Truss; Ward 3: Les Penn, Angie Levy-Ware; Ward 4: Markee Blount, Jonathan Dixon, Danny T. Louis, Daphne Sims; Ward 5: Tim C. Taylor, John E. Brown; Ward 6: Monica Johnson Gilkey, Cleotha Williams; Ward 7: Dante' L. Ollie, Lafayette E. Wales.



## Wood signs to play at Hinds Community College

Frankie Wood, a senior at Germantown High School, signed to play soccer with Hinds Community College. Pictured with Frankie are parents, Kim and John Wood, and sister Hannah. Head Girls Soccer Coach J.T. Coward is also pictured.

## USM engineering student competes nationally

Ocean engineering student Andrew "Drew" Smith recently represented The University of Southern Mississippi (USM) in a national debate competition sponsored by Lockheed Martin.

Smith, a senior from Madison, teamed up with Joseph Bell, a junior from Waveland, in the fourth annual Ethics in Engineering Case Competition held last month in a virtual format due to the ongoing

COVID-19 pandemic.

Twenty-six colleges and universities, each represented by a two-student undergraduate team and accompanying faculty, presented their solutions to a fictional case involving ethical, business and engineering dilemmas. The event also provided opportunities for students to learn about Lockheed Martin and its technologies, including a Q&A session that allows students to

ask questions from a panel of Lockheed Martin employees and recruiters.

Dr. Mustafa Kemal Cambazoglu, assistant professor of ocean engineering at USM, served as the team's faculty representative for the Lockheed Martin competition. He praised the diligent efforts of Smith and Bell, who made it past the first round of the competition and narrowly missed reaching the final eight.

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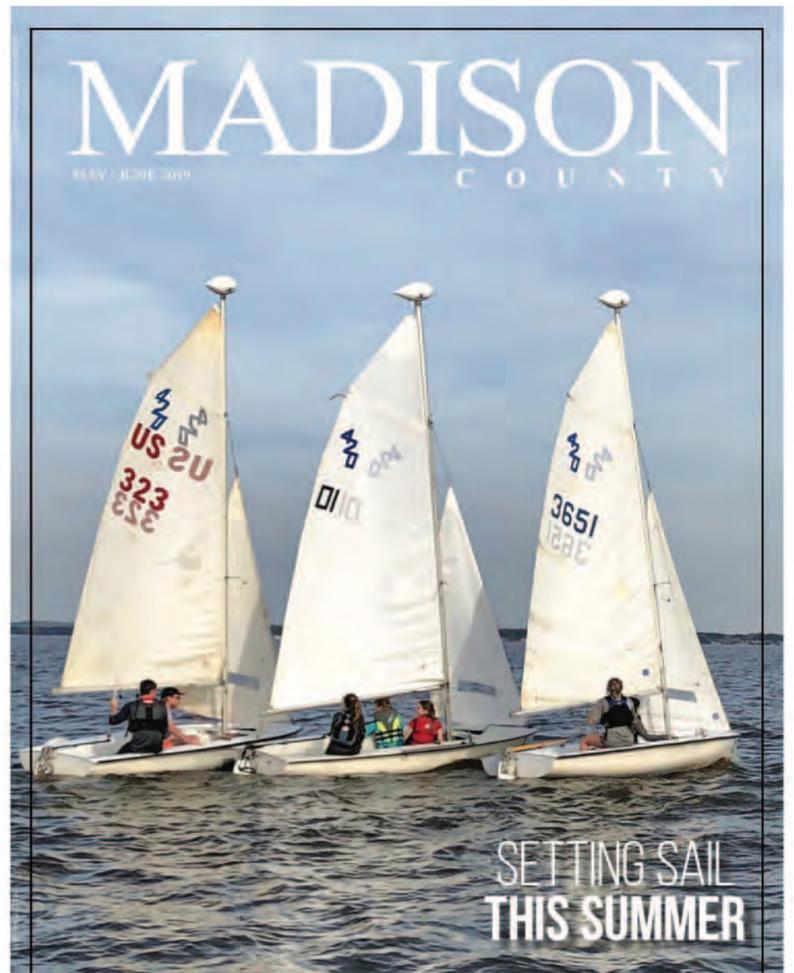
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