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More than 1,000 children and youth in kindergarten through the twelfth grade will start the 2016-17 school year at Wesson Attendance Center (WAC) on Thursday, August 4, following their teachers and other WAC staff persons, who will prepare for them on August 1, 2 and 3.

All students planning to attend WAC during the term must show proof of residence and new students must also present their birth certificates, social security cards, immunization records (see page 5) and report cards from previous schools or documentation of withdrawal from them.

Incoming seventh graders must also document that they have received Tdap vaccinations that provide protection against tetanus, diphtheria and whooping cough (pertussis). Special school supplies for children entering kindergarten and the elementary grades, including tools for their school work such as pencils, crayons, scissors, and notebook; and personal hygiene items such as hand soap, wipes, sanitizers, and paper towels, are also required. (see page 9).

Registrations for new students, including those who are new to the district, have been previously home-schooled or have not registered in the past for other reasons, are scheduled at WAC on Thursday, July 21, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Tuesday, July 26, from 9 a.m. to 2 noon.



Photo by Wesson News

Empty hallway at Wesson High School awaits return of students on August 4

“All students attending WAC must reside within its district or have been released by their local school board and approved by the Copiah County School Board,” principal Marilyn Phillips explains. “Otherwise, law requires students to attend school in the districts where they live.

“Residency means a student resides full time, days and nights throughout the week and on weekends, at a place of abode within the limits of the school district. Students must reside full time at the address used for registration. Further, students must live with a natural parent or have legal documentation on file with WAC that they are under the guardianship of someone.”

WAC enrollees must show three documents -- one from each of the following groups -- to prove residence:

- **A real estate-related document.** Mortgage documents or property deed, original apartment rental agreement or home lease or filed homestead exemption form.

- **Utility bill dated within the last two months or utility deposit receipt.** Cellular phone bills are not valid proof.

- **Other.** Driver’s license, voter’s registration card, automobile registration, affidavit of residency and/or personal visit by a designated school official, or any documentation that will objectively and unequivocally establish that the parent

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Conference makes town officials better at governing

Special to Wesson News

Wesson Mayor Alton Shaw, Municipal Clerk Linda Dykes and town aldermen joined their counterparts from throughout the state at a conference in Biloxi last month. They learned about issues facing Mississippi municipalities, laws affecting their cities and towns and governing more effectively; and met representatives from state agencies and varied private services that can assist them.

In total, some 3,000 elected officials and employees, representing 204 municipalities, state workers, legislators and exhibitors, participated in the eighty-fifth annual Mississippi Municipal League (MML) Conference June 27 to 29 at the Mississippi Coast Coliseum. MML lobbies for municipal-friendly legislation and represents municipalities with

federal, state and private entities; trains municipal officials and leaders, serves as a communication and networking base for municipal elected officials and operates the Mississippi Municipal Foundation to raise funds and administer them for charitable and educational purposes.

“This wasn’t a trip to vacation and enjoy ourselves,” says Shaw, who is the immediate past president of MML. “We attended classes and developed our professional networks towards helping us serve Wesson better. The development of grants that have funded important municipal projects in Wesson started at previous conferences.”

At this year’s event, MML recognized Wesson Alderman Michael King, along with more than two-hundred other municipal officials from across the state,

as a graduate of the basic level Certified Municipal Officials (CMO) Education Program. Wesson Aldermen Ric Crockett, Billy Ellison and John A. Welter, Jr., attended the conference with King and pursued their studies in the CMO program. Mississippi mayors and elected board members can become Certified Municipal Officials (CMOs) in basic, advanced and professional categories by completing core and elective courses in such areas as municipal organization, land use, economic and community development, leadership and municipal law.

In total, the three-day event -- the largest association conference in Mississippi -- offered more than 60 educational sessions for attendees and opportunities for them to network, share experiences and make

contact with people and organizations that are potential resources for their communities.

Justin Jones-Fosu, author of *Finding Your Glasses: Revealing and Achieving Authentic Success*, challenged attendees to live a life of success based on their core values. Special round table discussions focused on telecommunication technology, recycling, website outreach, AmeriCorps assistance and recreation and parks, among other topics.

Almost 200 exhibitors also introduced and demonstrated products and services to attendees. They included representatives of contractors, engineering firms, computer software and internet companies, equipment manufacturers and utilities, among other sales and service organizations.

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Police Blotter

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During May, Wesson Police Department activity encompassed:

Response to:

- Three vehicle accidents
- Three simple assaults
- One dog bite
- One hit & run
- One child neglects incident
- One malicious mischief incident

Citations & arrests:

- Eleven speeding violations
- One driving with license suspended
- Two no insurance violations
- One seatbelt violation
- One reckless driving incident
- Two driving while under the influence
- One beer possession
- One possession of marijuana
- One domestic violence warrant
- One contempt of court violation (failure to appear)
- One dog ordinance violation

On school days, the Wesson Police Department facilitates traffic flow at Wesson Attendance Center with officers on duty between 7 a.m. and 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.

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or guardian resides within the school district and, in the case of a student living with a guardian who is a bona fide resident of the school district, a certified copy of a filed petition for guardianship (if pending) and final decree when granted.

Guardian or custody papers may also be required, if applicable.

Children or youth living with an adult other than parents or legal guardians in the district may be enrolled at WAC in cases of death or serious illnesses of the parents or legal guardians, abandonment, abuse or neglect; unstable or detrimental family relationships or living conditions or exchange students with host families. In such cases, the district resident housing the students must provide an affidavit stating the relationship to them and documentation fully explaining the circumstances. WAC may also require temporary placement and custody orders from courts.

Parents can partner with Wesson Attendance Center (WAC) and help meet the needs of students through an active Parent Teachers Organization (PTO).

The PTO will look at its plan of work for the 2016-17 school term at a meeting that will follow the WAC open house and Meet the Cobras. The event and meeting are scheduled for Thursday, August 11, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Over the years, the PTO has worked with WAC in providing funding support and materials for school projects and to meet special needs in the classroom and of individual students. The annual Red Ribbon Festival in October is its big fundraiser. The PTO also sells school t-shirts and holds bake sales.

For information, call Tiffany Nicholson, the PTO president, through the school at 601-643-2295.

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Wesson native earns her MBA



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Wesson native Jessie Marie Armstrong received her Masters Degree in Business Administration with a concentration in accounting from Mississippi College in Clinton this spring. A daughter of Chester and Lura Barlow of Wesson and the late Johnny Armstrong of Hazlehurst, she is a Wesson High School graduate and now works in Hattiesburg. Her grandparents were the late Tom and Elma Hudson of Wesson and the late Billy and Lillian Armstrong of Hazlehurst.

Community Calendar

July weather forecast: *The Old Farmers Almanac* calls for an average temperature of 80 degrees F (one degree below average) and precipitation of 5.5 inches (one inch below average). July 5-16: scattered t-storms, hot, then cool; July 17-25: daily t-storms, cool; July 26-31: t-storm, then sunny, warm.

JULY 12

Diabetes support group. Meets weekly on Tuesdays. Education Annex at King's Daughters Medical Center, Brookhaven. 1:30 p.m. For information, call Natalie Ybarra at 601-835-9489.

Brookhaven Farmers Market. Every Tuesday throughout the summer. Amtrak Train Depot. 3 p.m.-6 p.m.

Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) and VFW Auxiliary Post 2618 meet. \$5.00 for meal. VFW Hall on Industrial Park Road, Brookhaven. 5:30 p.m.

Wesson Aldermen meet. City Hall. 6 p.m.

JULY 14

Wesson Public Library summer reading program continues after beginning on Thursday, July 7, with storyteller/magician Dianne Butler. Today's program features Copiah County Extension Service's Gladys Brown on cooking. A July 21 speaker will focus on exercise and Michelle Berch from the Copiah County school system will discuss sports on July 28. The program, under the "On Your Mark, Get Set Read" thematic banner, seeks to stimulate children in the three-to-twelve-years-old age range to read by introducing them to subject matter they may want to explore further through books. Wesson Public Library. 10 a.m.

Widows support group meets second Thursday of each month. Furlow Senior Center, Brookhaven. 5 p.m. Call 601-823-6376 or email bvaugnfurlow@gmail.com.

Wesson Lions Club meets. Conference Room at Co-Lin student cafeteria building. 6:30 p.m.

American Legion Post #79 meets. American Legion Lodge on Main Street, Wesson. 6:30 p.m.

JULY 15

Orientation/registration session for all freshmen and new students entering Co-Lin this fall to become further acquainted with the college and obtain academic and career-technical curriculum-planning advice, schedules for the semester, identification cards and parking permits as well as to register. There will also be an August 11 session. It is to the student's advantage to have ACT scores on file in Co-Lin's admissions office before attending an orientation session as all academic and technical students are required to take the placement test. Those attending orientation without ACT scores will have to take the test (\$40 fee) and

show photo identification before pre-registering. Tuition and fees may be paid, but are not required at orientation. Sessions begin at 8:30 a.m. Dow-Young Instructional Technology Building on the Wesson campus and at convenient locations on the Natchez campus and at the Simpson County Center. Call (601) 643-8490 for information.

JULY 18

Beginner clogging classes for persons of all ages beyond five years old are held every Monday night. A small fee is charged each month. Brookhaven Recreation Department on Highway 51. Call 601-833-3791.

JULY 21

Brookhaven Regional Arts Guild (BRAG) meets. Guest speaker Cathy O'Rear of Madison, Mississippi, a calligrapher, will demonstrate different techniques and assist with hands-on work. Artist members should bring a work to compete for the Artist of the Month award, a gift certificate to Jerry's Artarama. Vernon Room at the Lincoln County Library in Brookhaven. 5:30 p.m. For information about BRAG, contact Kathy Behan at Kathybehan5@gmail.com.

50-Plus Club meets. Thames Center on the Co-Lin campus. 10:30 a.m.

JULY 25

Blood drive every second and fourth Monday. King's Daughters Medical Center Hospital Annex. 1 p.m.- 6 p.m. Call 800-817-7449 for information.

JULY 28

Movie day at Lincoln County Public Library. Brookhaven. 2 p.m.

Wesson Lions Club meets. Conference Room at Co-Lin student cafeteria building. 6:30 p.m.

JULY 29

Fire Academy for Kids begins and continues on July 30. Conducted by Copiah County Firefighters for children seven to thirteen years-old. The event includes discussion of fire fighting, emergency response and safety; hands-on experience with equipment, and practice in fire fighting and safety situations. \$25 per child. Joe L. Johnson Safe Room at Gallman. 6 p.m.- 9 p.m. on July 29 and 8 a.m.- 4 p.m. on July 30. For information, call Ken Carraway at 601-265-1694.

AUGUST 1

Teachers return to Wesson Attendance Center for orientation to their working environment, to review their job landscape and expectations and get direction for performance during the 2016-17 school term. Faculty and staff will get id badges. Orientation continues on August 2 and 3.

AUGUST 2

Parents and their children learn about 2016-17 school year requirements, expectations and program in kindergarten and elementary Meet the Teacher event and orientation for incoming seventh graders. Wesson Attendance Center. 6 p.m.-7 p.m.

Wesson Board of Aldermen meet. 6 p.m. Wesson City Hall.

AUGUST 4

Wesson Attendance Center 2016-17 school term starts.

AUGUST 13

Old Wesson School reunion. Former students, faculty and staff socialize, reminisce and enjoy lunch together with friends in the restored Old School building, now a community center, where they once studied and worked. \$20 per person payable no later than August 8 (mail to Trustmark National Bank, Wesson Branch c/o Old School Reunion, P.O. Box 307, Wesson 39191). Wesson Old School Community Center. 12:30 p.m. For information, call Sonya Cowen at 601-643-5256.

CONTINUING

Alcoholics Anonymous meets at convenient times seven days of every week. First United Methodist Church, 215 West Cherokee Street, Brookhaven. Open meetings are Mondays at noon and Tuesdays (Big Book Study), Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. Closed meetings are Wednesdays and Fridays (Big Book Study) at noon and Thursdays and Sundays at 7:30 p.m.

Brookhaven Regional Arts Guild members work on projects every Thursday of the month from 9 a.m.-12 noon at the Brookhaven-Lincoln County Public Library in the Vernon Room when it is available.

Registration for the Billie Mathis watercolor workshop August 17-19, which will be held at the Lincoln County Library Community Room from 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., continues through August 2. Mathis, who resides in North Carolina, is a popular professional instructor, who emphasizes design, pattern and intensity of color. Her intensive workshop will cover a broad range of subject matter daily with personal attention and critiques. The cost is \$225 for Brookhaven Regional Arts Guild (BRAG) members and \$275 for non-members. Make checks payable to BRAG, c/o Kathy Behan, 1119 Kraner Lane, Brookhaven, Mississippi 39601. For information, visit www.artshow.com/mathis (Mathis' website) and/or the BRAG Facebook page. Email billiemathis9@gmail.com or Kathybehan5@gmail.com.

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Protect lawns from chinch bugs

By Guest Columnist Rebecca Bates

Saint Augustine grass lawns and hot summer days combine for an ideal environment for chinch bugs -- tiny insects that prefer the hot sunny areas of lawns over shade.

The adults of this insect are only about 1/5 of an inch long. They

the lawn will turn yellow to brown and eventually die if the insects are not controlled. Carbaryl, bifenthrin, cyfluthrin, lambda-cyhalothrin and permethrin are labeled insecticides for their control.

To find these tiny insects, part the turf canopy to the soil surface along the border where there is a change from damaged yellowing turf to healthy green turf. Chinch bugs move rather quickly, so keep an alert eye for their scurrying back into the turf.

While chinch bugs prefer Saint Augustine grass lawns, other turf species insects such as fall armyworms, white grubs, billbugs and sod webworms may be affecting turf species.

Editor's Note: Rebecca Bates is the Mississippi State University Agricultural Extension Agent based in Brookhaven at the Lincoln County Court House.

TENDING YOUR GARDEN

are black with what appears to be a white "X" across their backs where their wings fold over. The immature nymphs may be pink to brown with a single white line across their backs.

Chinch bugs have sucking/piercing mouthparts that they use to feed on the stolons and crowns of the turf. They also inject a toxin into the plants and, under heavy infestations,



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Vaccine time for life-long protection

By Guest Columnist
Dr. Stephanie Duguid

Among back-to-school preparations, vaccinations are an important item on the list. So it's appropriate that August is also National Immunization Awareness Month as well as the start of the new school term. National Immunization Awareness Month promotes vaccines and reminds family, friends, and coworkers to stay up to date on their shots. Use it as an opportunity to get vaccinations current and to discuss recommended vaccines with healthcare providers.

Immunization helps prevent dangerous and sometimes deadly diseases such as the flu, measles, and pneumonia. Vaccines are the best defense against them, and it's important to make sure all recommended vaccines are current. Adults need to get their shots -- just like kids do:

- Parents can protect infants and children from fourteen serious childhood diseases by age two.
- Preteens and teens need vaccines, too! Getting adolescents vaccinated will also protect their friends and their family members.
- Adults: not sure if your immunization schedule is up-to date? Go to <http://www2.cdc.gov/nip/adultimmsched/>

and take a brief quiz to see which vaccines you need.

- Seniors may need one or more vaccines, even if they received vaccines as a child or as a younger adult.

Getting vaccinated is an easy way to stay healthy all year-round. Back-to-school time is a great time to get vaccinations up-to-date. As summer winds down, make plans to get the flu vaccine, which becomes available in mid-to late-August. Getting the vaccine early will help prevent flu throughout all of the flu season. While you're at it, ask

about other routinely recommended vaccines, such as DTaP/Tdap and MMRV boosters. DTaP or Tdap protects against tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis (whooping cough). MMR or

MMRV helps prevent measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella (chickenpox). HPV vaccines can also help prevent girls and boys from getting cancers later in life that are caused by the HPV virus. There are many routinely recommended vaccines for people of all ages. Get up-to-date on all recommended vaccines.

Visit www.vaccines.gov and click the "Who and When" tab to view the recommendations.

Editor's Note: Stephanie Duguid is Assistant Dean of Academic Instruction and the Health, Physical Education, and Recreation Division Chair at Co-Lin. She is also an athletic trainer and nutrition specialist and has been teaching courses related to those two areas, as well as practicing what she preaches for more than twenty years.

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STUDENT VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS

All students enrolling for the first time at WAC must comply with Mississippi immunization requirements against communicable disease and entering seventh graders must show proof of an adolescent whooping cough (pertussis) booster vaccination.

Current state entry immunization requirements encompass vaccinations that provide protection against:

- Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis (DTaP)
- Polio (IPV)
- Hepatitis B
- Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)
- Varicella (chickenpox)

Mississippi instituted the whooping cough booster (Tdap) vaccination requirement in 2012-13 due to increasing concern about pertussis -- a highly contagious and life-threatening disease that adolescents can contract and easily transmit to younger children. Immunity to pertussis from early childhood vaccinations weakens over time.

Doctors, other health care providers, and county health departments provide vaccinations and complete the Form #121 Certificate of Immunization Compliance to present to schools. The Mississippi State Department of Health also suggests consideration of vaccinations against meningococcal disease and human papillomavirus (HPV), and a varicella (chickenpox) booster as well for teenagers.

The Copiah County Health Department (640 Georgetown Street, Hazlehurst) will hold a special childhood and adolescent immunization clinic from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, July 26.

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Rules of the road

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For drivers bringing students to Wesson Attendance Center in private vehicles:

- Drop off students before 7:40 a.m. for classes, which start at 7:45 a.m. Drop-off points are in front of the old gym and high school area for grades seven to twelve and the elementary school parking lot (where two attendants are on duty) for kindergarten through sixth grades.
- Pick up students in kindergarten through sixth grade in the elementary school parking lot. Line up on the north side of the road east of the building, enter the parking lot on the east, load students from the inside lane, and exit the parking lot on the west. Use the outside lane when leaving the pickup line. Children

should not walk to vehicles parked along the side of the road.

- Pick up students in grades seven through twelve and their younger siblings in the parking lot by the old gym and high school area. Enter on the east, park in the inside (north) lane while waiting for students to pick up, and exit on the west via the outside (south) lane.
- Older and younger siblings will meet in the old gym and walk together to their pickup vehicle in the high school parking lot.
- Children who walk or bike to school will wait in the old gym until 3:15 p.m., when buses and most cars have left the campus.
- Do not pick up students at the rear of the school where buses load.

Wesson Education from 100 years ago

Wesson News

A 1908 Wesson High School "course of study" found in archival files at Wesson Attendance Center paints a picture of education more than an century ago in Mississippi that focused on developing students of "pure character" through an elementary school curriculum that emphasized reading, language, spelling, numbers and writing; and three years of high school studies in the ninth, tenth and eleventh grades that encompassed Latin, rhetoric and classics, algebra, geometry, history, science and practical business methods and bookkeeping.

The one-hundred-eight-year-old publication, compiled by Charles H. Williams, Wesson's Superintendent of Schools, sought to provide a basis for the work of the school "Superintendent, Teachers and Patrons" (i.e., parents or guardians of students), "unify the work of the various grades" towards creating an "unbroken course" for pupils and help parents understand "what our schools are trying to do for the children."

At the time, students attended what is now the Old School Community Center in Wesson, which was an industrial town of 4,000 residents with a lumber plant, oil mill, ice plant and the Mississippi Mills textile facilities that employed more than 2,000 persons as well as a broad assortment of merchants, who advertised in the publication.

The publication included a rules and regulations section, which detailed duties of school trustees, patrons, the superintendent and assistant superintendent of schools, teachers, pupils and the janitor; policies on promotion and graduation of students and curriculum.

One section of the publication offered suggestions on the work of "every successful teacher": Neatness of schoolroom, halls, tables, desks, books, school grounds and blackboards. The recitation to test preparation, to stimulate thought, to correct errors in thought and language. Class management -- did the teacher secure and hold the attention of the class? Art of questioning. Study -- were all pupils who were not reciting busy in study? General management -- did the teacher seem to have control of the pupils?

For today's teachers, students and parents, the curriculum section of the publication offers insights into thinking about education a century ago. It both described basic studies and made suggestions to teachers on integrating physical education, practical manual training, nature appreciation, art and music, history and biography and morals and manners into student work. Agriculture became part of basic studies in the sixth grade for students a century ago. Eighth grade was a preparatory stage for the three years of high school and where four years of Latin studies started. Among required reading for students over four years, beginning in the eighth grade, were Shakespearean plays, the poems of Burns, Poe and Tennyson; Emerson's essays, *Don Quixote*, *Faust* and *The Iliad*.

The curriculum section also offered this reminder to teachers:

"The ultimate end of education is the development of a pure character. Simple stories illustrating honesty, truthfulness, kindness, politeness, obedience and love help all, especially children. The teacher should take advantage of many incidents to impress upon the mind of the child the value and beauties of these virtues."



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Wesson Garden Club recognized the landscaping efforts Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Berry at 1150 Will Bridges Lane inside the town limits (above), Courtney Roberts Hall at 2088 Rocky Hill Road outside town (center) and Wesson Attendance Center, a business/service organization at 1048 Grove Street (below), through its June Yard of the Month awards. The awards, based on maintenance principles and elements of landscape design, seek to encourage ongoing beautification and cleanliness of the Wesson area and cultivate a citizenry that values and protects natural resources and assumes responsibility for enhancing the environment. Through October, the Garden Club selection committee will tour the Wesson area each month to identify properties in the organizational, town residential and rural residential (limited to Wesson School District) categories for the Yard of the Month awards. Call or text 601-757-7724 to nominate qualified yards, especially for those outside the Wesson.



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Lura (Cookie) Barlow counts her blessings

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Lura (Cookie) Barlow, now retired at sixty-four years old, was one of seventeen children that the late Tom and Elma Hudson reared together from separate marriages as well as their own. As Barlow looks back on her life, her parents were the first of many blessings, including her two husbands -- the late Johnny Armstrong and now Chester Barlow; jobs that met her material needs -- food and a roof over her head; and two "wonderful daughters" -- Kristie Lingle, 41, and Jessie Armstrong, 26.

Barlow went to the Old Wesson School and graduated from Wesson High School when Co-Lin was the venue for classes. In the eighth grade, she was a majorette. She played basketball in high school and was named the team's Most Valuable Player, receiving a trophy, which she has kept over the years.

At age 21, Barlow took her first job at Potter Company in Wesson, where she did soldering and assembled power modules for General Motors. "I loved the job and worked there for twelve years," she says. Since then, she has also worked a Hudson's and Dollar

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General. In retirement, she and her husband Chester live in Beauregard. Chester, a mechanic well known in the area, operated Chester's Muffler shop in Hazlehurst, and still works at Jack Morris Propane in Brookhaven.

What is your hobby?

I enjoy many things. Browsing and shopping antique stores like the Milltown Mall in Wesson, for one. I am also a religious person and seek spiritual variety in attending several churches throughout the area, although I grew up in Beauregard United Methodist



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Church. I worship often with Joel Osteen on television. I also enjoy theater and frequently attend productions of Brookhaven Little Theater.

What is your favorite book or movie?

I read the *Holy Bible* and have been influenced by various books written by Billy Graham. I also enjoy reading the *Wesson News*.

My favorite movie is *Bridges Over Madison County* about the short romance of a photographer and a farmer's wife that affected both of them deeply over the many years that followed.

Do you have a favorite actor or actress?
My favorite actor is Clint Eastwood, who starred in *Bridges Over Madison County*, although I do not like him as much in his later roles in which he plays less attractive characters. My favorite actress is Ashley Judd.

What kind of music do you like?

I enjoy country music, although my favorite song is the hymn, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus."

Do you have a wish you want granted?

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If you won a multi-million dollar lottery, how would you spend the money?

When Johnny, my first husband, died, I learned about material needs. My daughter Jessie was just two years old then. So I would divide up my winnings as far as they would go to help people in need.

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Wesson Attendance Center K-6 school supplies

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Children enrolled in the WAC kindergarten and grades one through six must bring a variety of supplies, including tools for their school work such as pencils, crayons, scissors, and notebook; and personal hygiene items such as hand soap, wipes, sanitizers, and paper towels:

Kindergarten: Box of Kleenex, Fiskar blunt-tip scissors, three rolls of paper towels, two boxes of eight Crayola crayons (no jumbo), four boxes of twenty-four Crayola crayons (no jumbo), pack of non-tablet construction paper, two two-pocket plastic folders with brads, one Elmers Glue bottle, Germ-X hand sanitizer, foaming hand soap, twenty-four non-decorative wood pencils (Ticonderoga recommended), four glue stick four-packs, pack of 12-inch x 18-inch manila paper, container of Clorox wipes, heavy duty leather or canvas zipper bag, book bag (large enough for folder and extra clothing), box of gallon freezer bags (girls), box of quart Ziploc freezer bags (boys). The child's backpack should include a change of clothes (shirt, pants, underwear, socks) in a gallon Ziploc bag with his/her name on it.

First grade: Eight-line (5/8-inch wide) tablet, zippered bank bag (not plastic), six boxes of twenty-four Crayola crayons (no jumbo), children's Fiskar scissors, twelve glue sticks, Elmers Glue bottle,

three boxes of Kleenex, four rolls of paper towels, Mead Primary Journal (blank at top and lined at bottom), two wide-ruled spiral notebooks, two plastic folders with pockets, two packs of pencil top erasers and two hand-held erasers, four packs of non-decorative #2 pencils (no decorative or mechanical pencils, pencil sharpeners or Dixon pencils), Germ-X, bottle of hand soap, bottle of concentrated cleaner -- i.e., Mr. Clean or Lysol All Purpose Cleaner (girls), container of adult disinfectant cleaning wipes -- no baby wipes (boys).

Second grade: Four packages of non-decorative wooden pencils (no Dixon, decorative or mechanical pencils), eight glue sticks, package of wide-rule loose leaf paper, three packages of twenty-four crayons, four rolls of paper towels, two packages of pencil top erasers, one box of gallon Ziploc bags (girls), zippered bank bag, five plastic pocketed folders, one package of construction paper, one package of red pens, two wide-rule three-subject notebooks, three-ring one-inch binder, three large boxes of Kleenex tissue, package of four dry erase makers, pair of scissors, package of manila paper, box of quart Ziploc bags (boys), bottle of Germ-X (girls), Clorox wipes (boys).

Third grade: Three boxes of crayons and crayon pouch, hand sanitizer, four packs of cap erasers, three glue sticks, one pack of wide-ruled notebook paper, three boxes of Kleenex tissues, six packs of twenty-four non-decorative wooden

pencils (no Dixon pencils), three wireless composition notebooks, construction paper and quart Ziploc bags (boys), scissors, disinfectant wipes, two rolls of paper towels, sticky notes, highlighter, three plastic pocket folders without prongs, two three-prong plastic folders, manila paper and gallon Ziploc bags (girls).

Fourth grade: Four packs of twenty-four non-decorative U.S.A. Gold or Ticonderoga wooden pencils (no Dixon pencils), one box of Ziploc bags (gallon size for boys and quart size for girls), four plastic pocket folders with prongs (do not fill with paper), two boxes of twenty-four Crayola crayons, three packs of cap erasers, three packs of loose leaf notebook paper, two containers of Clorox wipes, four wide-ruled spiral notebooks (for reading, language, arts, journal and science/social studies), four packs of ten mechanical pencils, five wide-ruled spiral notebooks for Reading, Math, Language and Science/Social Studies; three boxes of Kleenex (100 or more), eight-pack of Crayola markers, two rolls of paper towels large Germ-X bottle.

Fifth grade: Four packs of mechanical pencils, box of twenty-four Crayola crayons, two red ballpoint pens, one box of coloring pencils and sharpener, two yellow highlighters, two pink pearl block erasers, three-ring pencil pouch with zipper, three packages of notebook paper with reinforced edges if possible, set of subject dividers, three one-inch heavy

duty three-ring binders, three boxes of facial tissues, roll of paper towels, container of disinfectant wipes, bottle of hand sanitizer.

Sixth grade: Four packs of #2 mechanical pencils and replacement lead, pack of pink cap erasers (at least two per pack), two one-inch heavy duty binders, three-hole binder pouch, plastic pocket folder without prongs, six pronged color folders (purple, blue, red, green, yellow, and orange), two packages of loose leaf paper (with reinforced edge if possible) or regular loose leaf paper with one package of reinforcement labels, two sets of plastic dividers with pockets, four highlighters (two yellow, one pine and one green), two packages of colored markers, two packages of Expo markers (at least two per package), three boxes of tissues, two rolls of paper towels, container of disinfectant wipes, two large bottles of hand sanitizer, one small hand-held calculator.

WAC also informs and guides parents, students and teachers on all elementary school and high school procedures and policies, ranging from response to emergencies to counseling services and dress code to the grading system and truancy, through an annual 82-section handbook for students. The entire handbook is accessible on the WAC web site (<http://wac.ccsd.schoolfusion.us>).

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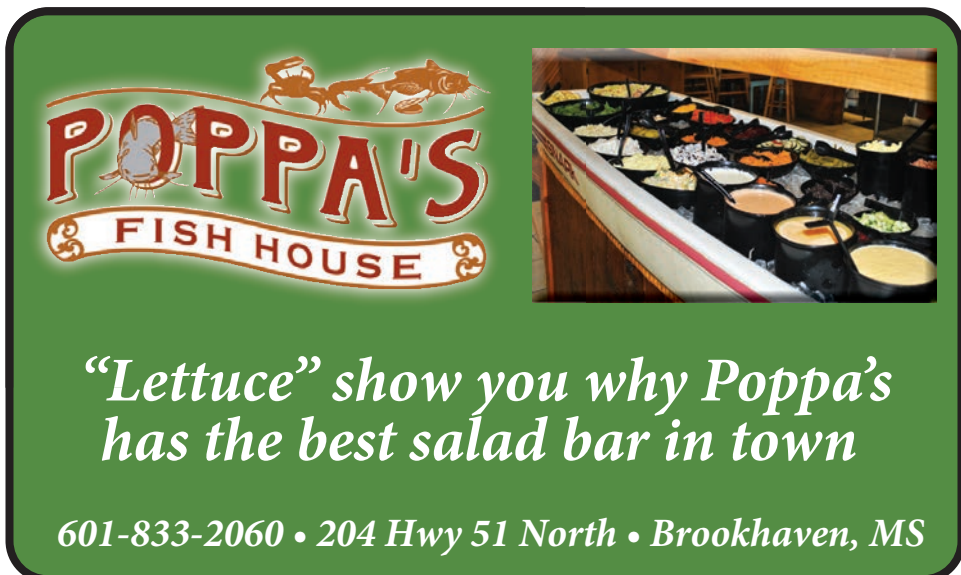
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Brookstock rock festival returns for 16th year

By Guest Columnist Shaw Furlow

What began in the summer of 1998 as a class reunion has become Brookhaven's most anticipated rock music event of the year. Brookstock, now a three-day event, returns for year number sixteen on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, July 14, 15 and 16, and it promises to be bigger and better than ever.



In 1998, Don Jacobs, a well-known Mississippi artist originally from Brookhaven, reassembled his high school rock band -- The Brutes -- for a one-time performance that was so well received he did it again the following year. After that second performance, Jacobs realized he was on to something and made Brookstock an annual event open to the public. As its audience grew, Brookstock's venue changed, moving from a back porch to Lonnie Ray's Campground and then to the Brookhaven Recreation Department -- the old National Guard Armory. The old armory seemed like a logical place, because that's where we used to dance as teens, but it moved once again last year to the FEMA building next to Brookhaven

Airport to accommodate the larger crowds and parking needs. It returns to the FEMA building this year.

Two smaller events on Thursday and Friday start the event again this year. Recess 101 will host the singer/songwriter night featuring Jim Oakes, Andi Cotten, Bryan Batson, Tyler Bridge, Tony Norton and Ed Tree. The music begins at 7 p.m., and there is no admission charge. You may bring adult beverages. A stark contrast to the other two Brookstock event, this is a more informal "listening room" concert. The other two events are rock shows.

This is the third year for Brookstock Too at the Haven Theater, which features young, up-and-coming artists from the area beginning at 7 p.m. on Friday. The evening will start with *Brookstock: The Documentary*, a film about the rock festival, which was shot last year. Wesson's Dominick King, Taylor Baron and newcomer Betsy Berryhill will be featured musicians. The Gregg Smith band ends the show. The admission charge of \$10 will help fund the BLTeens summer theater production at the Haven.

The big Brookstock event at the FEMA building is Saturday. Doors open at 5 p.m., and music begins at 7 p.m. The

Allen Volunteer Fire Department will sell plate dinners, and you can bring your favorite adult beverage. The admission charge is \$10.

Ed Tree and Betsy Berryhill underscore the "old and young" aspect of Brookstock. Tree, whose experiences include world tours, returns to his home for the weekend to play with his old mates. Tree grew up as Ed Safley, but changed his name many years ago to pay homage to a special time in his life. He is a producer, guitarist and songwriter in the Los Angeles area. Over the years, Tree has performed with or been part of productions including the

likes of Rita Coolidge and Spencer Davis. He doesn't make it home that often, and it's a special occasion when he does. Berryhill, at the beginning of what promises to be a great career, plays in her very first Brookstock event on Friday night. At 18, she is turning heads with original songs and some quirky covers. Berryhill will be a freshman at Co-Lin in the fall, so you'll hear a lot from her over the next few years.

Asked what was the one thing he wanted everyone to know about Brookstock XVI, organizer Don Jacobs provided a not unexpected answer: "Tell your readers this is not a private party. It is not a class



Photo special to Wesson News

Ed Tree

reunion. It is a public festival where all are welcomed."

Indeed, all are welcome. There is something for everyone this year, and you really do not want to miss these events. The music/art scene is growing in our area because you come out and support these events.

Until next month, THANKS for supporting the arts!

Editor's Note: R. Shaw Furlow is a local composer and musician and consultant to school bands in the area for Brookhaven Music and Sound, who knows the arts community.



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Nena Smith dancers

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Wesson Attendance Center (WAC) five-year-old kindergarten (5K) and first-second-third-and-fourth grade dancers performed in "When You Open a Book" at the forty-first annual Nena Smith School of Dance show. The dancers performed at Co-Lin before capacity audiences, which generated \$6,500 for Relay for Life and cancer research.



The 5K dancers were (front row left to right) Ashley Chamblee, Allyson Selman, Lily Porter, (middle row left to right) Bella Sills, Joleigh Lagham, Payton Cloy, Anna Carabello, Madelyn Sanders, (back row left to right) Peyton Walker, Taylor Traxler, Mackenzie Conner Allie Ryan and Brooklyn Hutchinson. Camryn Arispe is not pictured.



The first graders were (left to right on floor) Jocie Parson, Madelyn Brooks, Mary Brady, Jaycee Heard, (middle row from left to right) Jaide Shoop, Anna Kate Porter, Riley Bush, (back row left to right), Nikki Berch, Bently Roberson, Aubrey Windom and Charley Shelton and Carley Clayton ("CC") Smith. Molly and Madyson Westrope are not pictured.



From the second grade were (front row left to right) Trinity Breland, Kate Norwood, Kati Brooks West, Mary Margaret Woods, Sarah Grace Glasper, (middle row left to right) Hayleigh Piaz, Lexi Prestridge, Blair Boyd, Paige Westrope, (back row left to right) Brooke Coleman, Ruth Anne Kehler, Maddy Morris, Karly Shannon and Dakota Rushing.



The third grade dancers were (seated from left to right) Maci Allen, Lily Channell, Abbey Berch, (middle row left to right) Avery Anna Watts, Annah Nieburg, Mary Gwyn Hynum, Maggie Runnels, Mara Norwood, (from the fourth grade in back row left to right) Allie Ladner, Allison Hamilton, Courtney Carr, Aubree Smith, Laney Kate Earls and Hanna Deurouen.



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41 WHS 2015-16 seniors recognized

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Lindsey Alford. Outstanding achievement in English Composition II. Honored as member of yearbook staff. Co-Lin academic and endowment scholarships. **Olivia Allen.** Outstanding achievement in U.S. Government, Choral Music, English Composition I and Environmental Science and highest averages in College Algebra and Genetics. Honored for service on the student council and as senior editor of the yearbook. Co-Lin Academic and Endowment scholarships. **Kendrick Brown.** Perfect attendance award Co-Lin endowment scholarship. **Lacy Burns.** Outstanding achievement in Economics and Spanish. Highest averages in Graphic Design I and English IV. Co-Lin academic and band scholarships. **Nikki Castilaw.** Outstanding achievement in U.S. Government, Economics, English Composition II, Environmental Science and Genetics. Daughters of American Revolution Good Citizenship and Wesson Attendance Center Senior Citizenship awards. Honored as senior editor of the yearbook, Senior Class President and Hall of Fame inductee. Co-Lin Taylor Presidential scholarship.

Draven Coleman. Highest average in English Composition I. STAR Student. \$62,000 LSU scholarship. **Madison Coleman.** Outstanding Achievement in Resource Management. **Matthew Crosby.** Co-Lin academic scholarship. **Tavotae Crosby.** \$3000 Minister's Alliance and Co-Lin band scholarships. **Bryce Davis.** Co-Lin band scholarship. **Wyatt Everett.** Co-Lin Academic scholarship. **Tre Fleming.** Outstanding achievement in Choral Music. **Davion Frye.** Senior Service award \$2,000 Rev. Pendleton Memorial (Minister's Alliance) and Co-Lin band scholarships. **Kaitlynn Goodman.** \$1000 Rogel Ford

and Co-Lin academic, endowment and band scholarships. **Stephanie Graham.** Outstanding achievement in Graphic Design I. **Tyler Granger.** Outstanding achievement in Graphic Design II. Co-Lin endowment scholarship. **Emily Gregg.** Outstanding achievement in Resource Management. Teacher Academy two-year program completion award. Honored as editor of yearbook. Co-Lin academic and endowment scholarships. **Carnesha Green.** Outstanding achievement in Family Dynamics.

Justin Hynum. Lindy Callahan Scholar Athlete and Wesson Attendance Center Senior Citizenship awards. **Miranda Jackson.** Outstanding achievement in Graphic Design II and English IV. Co-Lin endowment scholarship. **Marty Jones.** Perfect attendance award Honored as dual graduate of Wesson Attendance Center and Co-Lin's Welding Program. **Anthony Jones.** Co-Lin basketball scholarship. **Marcus Jones.** Outstanding Achievement in Graphic Design II and Perfect attendance awards. Southwest Mississippi Community College men's soccer scholarship. **Jacob Kelly.** Co-Lin band scholarship. **Libby Knight.** Highest grade point average as a senior and highest averages in U.S. Government and English Composition II. Outstanding achievement in Economics and A&P Chemistry. Senior Cobra Character award. Honored as Hall of Fame inductee. Co-Lin Taylor leadership, endowment, academic and Collette scholarships. **Karl Lamberth.** Outstanding Achievement in English Composition II and College Algebra. John Philip Sousa Senior Band award. Co-Lin band scholarship.

Daniel Lyle. \$500 James M. Lewis (Wesson Lions Club) scholarship.

Chelsea McManus. Highest averages in Choral Music and Zoology/Botany. Teacher Academy Two-Year Program Completer Award. Honored

as member of yearbook staff. Scholarships: \$500 Wesson Lions Club. Brittany Moore. Outstanding achievement in General Music. Wendy's Heisman Award

nominee. **Rachel Norton.** Outstanding achievement in Keyboarding and English IV. Co-Lin endowment and band scholarships. **Jamarus Patterson.** Outstanding achievement in Family Dynamics and perfect attendance awards. Summer Roberts. Honored as member of yearbook staff. Co-Lin Collette scholarship. **Alyssa Rushing.** Outstanding achievement in Graphic Design I. Co-Lin academic scholarship. Jashia Smith. Highest average in General Music. \$500 Jimmy Hodges Memorial (Wesson Lions Club) scholarship.

Kaitlyn Smith. Outstanding achievement in U.S. Government, Choral Music, English Composition I, Genetics and College Algebra and highest averages in Economics and Environmental Science. **Lindy Callahan** Scholar Athlete Award. Honored for service on the student council and as senior editor of the yearbook. \$500 Greg Holloway and Co-Lin academic and endowment scholarships.

Carly Stanley. Highest average in Graphic Design II. Honored as member of yearbook staff.

Cabe Stephens. Outstanding achievement in Graphic Design I, English Composition II and Genetics. Senior Cobra Character Award. Honored as member of yearbook staff. Scholarships: \$1000 University of Mississippi Boys State. **Aysha Thomas.** Honored as senior editor of yearbook and Hall of Fame inductee. **Emily Twiner.**

Outstanding achievement in English IV and Chemistry. **J.C. Twiner.** Co-Lin academic scholarship. **Devin Wallace.** Co-Lin band scholarship.

WAC honors faculty and staff. Wesson Attendance Center honored nine faculty and staff members in a special awards ceremony last month: Sheila Peyton, Custodian of the Year. Gwen Shannon, Secretary of the Year. Retirees Daphne Johnson, Renee Pettigrew, Minta Davis and Cindy Williams. Teachers of the Year Lisa Smith (Secondary), Minta Davis (Secondary) and Renee Pettigrew (Elementary).

Second Co-Lin summer term. The second term of summer classes at Co-Lin started July 1. Classes offered on the Wesson Campus during the second term include Human Anatomy & Physiology Lecture II & Lab, English Composition I, English Composition II, World Literature II, World Civilization II, American History II, Weightlifting for Men II, Weightlifting for Women IV, Football Theory, Intermediate Algebra, College Algebra, Calculus II, General Psychology I and Introduction to Sociology.

Curbing telemarketer cellular calls. Cell phone owners can reduce the number of telemarketers calling them by registering their phones on the No Call Registry launched this month by the Mississippi Public Service Commission (MPSC). Visit the MPSC web site (www.psc.state.ms.us) to register or contact a consumer specialist at the agency (601-356-6430) for assistance. Two months after registration, cellular numbers officially appear on the list and cell phone owners can report unsolicited calls. MPSC cannot stop all calls because some are exempt from the law or originate in foreign countries outside the agency's jurisdiction. MPSC has received 74,436 complaints since implementing a landline phone no call registry and collected almost \$2.8 million in fines from unscrupulous telemarketers since October, 2014.

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Faculty & staff id badges. 8 a.m.
- 2

Meet the teacher. 6 p.m.-7 p.m.
Seventh Grade orientation. 6 p.m.
- 4

First school day for students.
- 8

Deadline for returning signed handbook forms to office.
- 11

Meet the Cobras. Baseball Field. 6:30 p.m.
OpenHouse
Parents-Teachers Organization (PTO) meeting
Kindergarten universal screener starts (TBD)
- Grades 7-12

Christmas program. 9 a.m. (TBD)
- 16

Nine-week tests start & continue on August 19 & 20
- 21

Christmas holidays begin

January

- 4

Second semester begins.
- 16

Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.
- 17

Parents pick up report cards. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Student holiday.

February

- 3

Third nine-week progress reports
- 10

Valentine’s Dance for grades 4-6. 6 p.m.-8 p.m.
- 24

African American History program. 9 a.m.

March

- 8

Nine-week tests start &continue on October 9 & 10
- 13

Spring Break starts & continues through March 17
- 20

School resumes
- 23

Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) program.
- 24

Report cards.
Statewide ACT testing (TBD)

April

- 12

Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) program
- 13

Fourth nine-week progress reports
- 14

Easter holiday with weather day (if needed) starts & continues through April 17
Prom (tentative)

May

- 4

National Day of Prayer
- 5

Vespers rehearsal. Co-Lin.
- 7

Vespers. 8 p.m.
- 16

Elementary Awards program. Grades 2-3. 9 a.m. Grades 4-6. 12:30 p.m.
Senior Awards Night (TBD)
Junior High & High School Awards (TBD)
Kindergarten Awards program. 12:30 p.m. (TBD)
- 19

Nine-week tests start & continue on May 22 &23
Graduation. Co-Lin. 7:30 p.m.
- 24

Teacher staff development work days or bad weather days start May 24 & continue on May 25
- 29

Memorial Day

November

- 1

College Fair
- 12

Beauty and Beau Pageant (Elementary-High School).
- 11

Veterans Day program.
Progress Reports.
- 21

Thanksgiving holiday break starts & continues through November 25
Book Fair & Grandparents Day (TBD)

December

- 2

Wesson Christmas Parade.
Classes dismissed at 2:20 p.m.

BUS ROUTES



- Buses on ten different routes provide transportation for WAC elementary and high school students. They include:
- Bus # 32-09. Driver Ben Barner. Co-Lin, Woodland Hills, Gum Street, Milltown Drive, Wolf Hollow, Lester Furr Drive, Old Highway 51, Robinson Street, Beech Street, Spring Street, Common Street, David Britt Street, Sixth Street, Third Street, Railroad Street, Barner Road, Loom Street.
 - Bus # 8-05. Driver Jennifer Crapps. Timerlane, Main Street, Cotton Street, Anderson Road, Seventh Street, Shop and Wash (behind shop), Moss Village Apartments.
 - Bus # 15-13. Driver Brenda Howington. Beauregard, 51 North, Bahalia Road, North Street, South Street, Lowery Road, Dixie Garden, Dickerson East Street.
 - Bus # 16-08. Driver Julia Lowery. Rocky Hill Road, Cline Road, Clopton Lane, Sylvarena Road, Brownsville Road.
 - Bus # 41-12. Driver Tammy Thedford. Sylvarena Road, Highway 547, Wesson Baptist (a.m. and p.m. stops), Factory Street, Pear Street, Cain Road, Montgomery Lane, Precious Moments (a.m. and p.m. stops), Shady Grove.
 - Bus # 26-07. Driver Michelle Berch. Strong Hope, Pearly Valley, Dogtown, Monticello Road, King Road, Swilley Road, Beasley Road, Martin Road, Beauregard Road.
 - Bus # 45-14. Driver Kim Runyan. Zion Hill, Beauregard Road, Stegall Road, Tarver Lane, Wooten Lane, Springhill, Martinsville Road, Broome Road, Half of Deason Road, Back Forty, Breanna Lane.
 - Bus 6-07. Driver R. L. Ward. Highway 28. John I. Hay, Ferguson, Trim Road, Lookout Road, Coleman Road, Pattison, Pleasant Valley.
 - Bus 31-07. Driver Daphne Smith. Strong Hope, Rockport, Highway 472, Beauregard Road, Deason Road, Monticello Road, Elkins Road, Martin Road, Beasley Road, Roberts Lane.
 - Bus 10-09. Driver Arthur Pendleton. Sylvanena Road, Jackson Liberty, Hughes Road, Watson Road, Lott Smith, Pleasant Lane, Case Road, Bufkin Lane, Britts Trailer Park.

BUS RULES

- School bus riders must remember the driver is the boss responsible for their safety and conduct. They have the authority to assign seating and should command the respect of riders. Riding rules include:
- Board and get off buses on time at assigned stops only. Bus drivers are not required to wait unless they see a student coming to the bus. In the afternoon, buses leave the school promptly at 3:15 p.m.
 - Walk to the bus stop facing traffic (if there is no sidewalk), so drivers on the road can see you.
 - Do not play on or near the road while waiting for a bus.
 - Do not cross a road to get on a bus until it arrives. On discharge from a bus, wait until the driver gives the signal to do so. Students who live on roads with retraces should get on their bus at stops that do not require crossing the road.
 - Load and unload using the handrail only after the bus comes to a complete stop.
 - Disruptive behaviors that distract bus drivers are prohibited, and acts of misconduct are subject to discipline -- fighting, smoking, use of profane language, possession/use of alcohol and/or drugs, public displays of affection, sexual activity, throwing objects on the bus (i.e., shooting spitballs with rubber bands or bobby pins), etc. Conduct of students determines whether or not they will be entitled to bus transportation

Thirteen athletes earn NJCAA academic honors

Special to Wesson News

Thirteen Co-Lin athletes, who excelled on the field, earned National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Academic Student-Athlete Awards for exemplary academic achievement (3.60-3.79 grade point average), superior achievement (3.80-3.99 GPA) and pinnacle achievement (4.0 GPA) for their classroom performance:

•The Pinnacle awards were earned by Brandi McInnis, a sophomore tennis player from Wesson; Braxton Hinton, a sophomore tennis player

from Brookhaven; Lauren Brashier, a sophomore softball player from Laurel; and Se'Edriq Middleton, a sophomore soccer player from Roxie.

• Earning the Superior Academic Achievement awards were Gregory

Nickles, a sophomore football player from Pelahatchie; Greta Carley a sophomore softball player from Columbia; Madison Warren a sophomore tennis player from Brookhaven; and Lee Smith a sophomore baseball player from Hattiesburg.

• The five players receiving the Exemplary Academic Achievement award were Austin Douglas a sophomore baseball player from Mount Olive; Tanner Jones a sophomore baseball player from Brandon; Paxton Sims a sophomore football player from Ackerman; Zachary Williams a sophomore football player from Lena;

and Kamry Creel a sophomore softball player from McComb.

WAC ticket prices. Pre-game tickets for all Wesson Attendance Center (WAC) home games in all sports are priced a dollar less than the admission charge at the gate. Adults can also purchase home game season tickets. Contact the WAC Athletic Director for pricing. Ticket prices at the gate for adults and students are \$5 for varsity basketball, junior high football and basketball, baseball, junior high baseball, slow-pitch softball, fast-pitch softball and soccer. Varsity football tickets are \$6.



Photo special to Wesson News

With the conclusion of the Wesson Athletic Foundation baseball and softball season, players received trophies and were named to all-star teams. The twelve-years-old and younger boys all-stars, coached by Chad Woods and Kelly Boutwell, captured second place in the Crossbones Classic in Pearl and won the Northwest Rankin Classic in Brandon. Members of the team (left photo) were (kneeling left to right) Brett Routwell, Preston Lee, Lucas McRee, Cody Munn, Zack Woods, Trevor Smith, (standing from left to right) Lane Westrope, Turner Green, Jayden Coleman, Connor McLendon, Cody Brown and Jake Livingston. The twelve-years-old and younger girls softball team members (right photo) were (kneeling left to right) Kyla Smith, Carson Hugley, Kayla McElveen, Camryn Summerall, Chloe McManus, Anna Adams, (standing left to right) Lexie Ashley, Emily McLendon, Lex Guess, Natalie Harris, Brooke Cade and Baylee Newman.



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Area girls came to the Co-Lin campus last month to sharpen their skills at a special camp in which Wolves head softball coach Allen Kent, his assistants, and players led the kindergarten through sixth grade campers in drills and scrimmages, and used a video swing analysis of each camper. The camp followed a successful season for the Co-Lin softball team, which finished with a 29-14 record and a playoff berth. Campers and the coaches from Copiah County included (kneeling from left to right) Lilly Kate Channell, Mary Gwen Hynum, Ona Magee, Mary Margaret Woods, Danica Perkins, Emory Britt, Marley Channell (standing from left for right) Lady Wolf camp instructor Kayla Britt, Juliana Wilson, Avery Anna Watts, Annah Nieburg, Blair Mathis, Mara Norwood, Taylor Papizah and Lady Wolf camp instructor Kamryn Vanlandingham.

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