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Time for the 34th Annual Muscadine Jubilee

Muscadine Jubilee Entertainment Schedule

10:00 a.m.	Opening Ceremony
10:10 a.m.	National Anthem & Patriotic Music, Pelahatchie Choral Group
10:30 a.m.	Mark Rogers & The American Dream
11:30 a.m.	Maggie Harper
12:00 p.m.	Muscadine Stomp
12:30 p.m.	Dave's Highway
1:45 p.m.	Troy Laz
3:00 p.m.	Sawyer Brown

By: Katie White

The town of Pelahatchie has been busy preparing for the 34th annual Muscadine Jubilee, set for September 13 at Muscadine Park. The festivities begin at 10:00 a.m. with the opening ceremony and the welcome and invocation by Mayor Knox Ross, Jr.

The cost for admission is only \$3, and there is no charge for children six and under. Once through the gate, the excitement begins with great entertainment, food, crafts and other purchasable items. There will be plenty of fun activities for children, as well.

The line-up of entertainment for the festivities are both locally and nationally known. The big finale will be country music legend Sawyer Brown. The band is celebrating its 30 year anniversary and the release of its 23rd album, *Travelin' Band*. Also taking to

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(Above) Country music band Sawyer Brown will be among the line-up of entertainment to play at the Muscadine Festival. (Right) 2014 Muscadine Festival t-shirt art. (Photo special to The Pelahatchie News)

Prayer Breakfast sheds light on town's perseverance

By: Katie White

The Mayor's Prayer Breakfast on August 16 at Pelahatchie Baptist Church was said by attendees to be a huge success on all accounts. Those attending proved the true spirit of Pelahatchie: when the lights go out in Pelahatchie, the show must go on. The electricity was out for almost the entire breakfast.

The breakfast began with a welcome from Major Knox Ross, Jr., City officials were recognized, and Rev. Jerry Hamilton led the group in prayer. Angela Trigg sang the National Anthem, which preceded the *Pledge of Allegiance* led by Brandon, Miss. Boy Scout Troop 29.

Breakfast was served following the opening ceremonies. There was a variety of food and beverages to choose from, all laid out on a beautiful muscadine-decorated table. The dining tables were decorated, as well.

After many were done eating breakfast, Angela Trigg led two hymns, *How*



Eggs, biscuits with jelly or gravy, grits, bacon, sausage, fruit and beverages, made for a plentiful breakfast at the August 16 Mayor's Prayer Breakfast. (Photo by Katie White)

Great Thou Art and *Amazing Grace*, and breakfast attendees joined in the singing.

The breakfast continued with the introduction of the speaker by Mayor Ross, who began first by thanking all of Pelahatchie for all they do to make

Pelahatchie special. He also made sure to thank those who helped prepare the breakfast or helped to organize the morning's events.

"It's a very exciting time to be in Pelahatchie, there's a lot of positive things happening. We've got a lot of

good people who are working hard," said Mayor Ross.

The guest speaker, Pastor Michael Evans, spoke on family relationships, being a good listener, leadership and servitude. He also recommended a book by Van Moody titled, *The People Factor*, and read the following from it, "The right relationship will launch you to the heights of achievement; the wrong one will tether you to mediocrity. Your relationships will be your sources of greatest joy and your venues of greatest pain."

"We need to understand what it means to serve," said Pastor Evans. "Servitude is about obeying God and the calling that you have in life."

As the breakfast came to a close, many door prizes were given away. One of the door prizes was a hand-crafted and decorated birdhouse made by Rev. Hamilton. Other door prizes included a Muscadine Jubilee t-shirt and a town of Pelahatchie ball cap. Rev. Derrick Patton led the closing prayer.



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Local charity group receives generous donation

By: Katie White

On August 27 at Hal and Mal's restaurant in Jackson, the Ever Reaching Community Outreach (ERCO) made a name for itself in the world of top charities in Mississippi at the Fall 2014 Jackson Restaurants Weeks' Charity Reveal.

The announcement to nominate a favorite registered 501(c)3 charitable organization arrived about a week before the big reveal of the top 10 nominees. After the top 25 nominees were chosen, the organizations were then asked to invite members and friends to the kick-off dinner at Hal and Mal's for the big top 10 reveal. Once the top 10 were chosen, they became eligible to be elected to receive \$10,000. Throughout the week of Jackson Restaurants, patrons will have a chance to vote for their charity of choice.

The charity event was a premier to the Fall 2014 Jackson Restaurants Weeks, presented by EatsJxn, from Sept. 28 through Oct. 11. Jackson Restaurants Weeks was organized to introduce all the best foods that Jackson has to offer. Appetizers from selected restaurants were available at the charity event.

ERCO was nominated as one of the



Founders and members of the Ever Reaching Community Outreach group at Hal and Mal's waiting to find out which charity was in the top 10. Pictured (l to r) are, Louie Parkman, Julie Parkman, Jordan Singleton, Davida Singleton, Tina Chappell, Eric Hammarstrom, Tammy Brun, Holly Hammarstrom, Leslie Alexander, Debbie Morgan, Gayla Thompson, Joey Thompson and Van Brun. (Photo by Katie White)

top 25 charities. Founders and members of ERCO and other charities attended the dinner to show support by advocating for their organization.

Despite their efforts, ERCO was not selected in the top 10 running, but then something truly wonderful and unexpected happened.

As ERCO was preparing to wrap up the night's events and head home, a check from an anonymous donor was handed to an ERCO member - a check written for \$10,000. This is the same

amount of money one of the top 10 winners will receive in October.

"ERCO started in Pelahatchie in August 2012 and for it to be voted in the top 25 charities is amazing, and we thank everyone who voted for us! It was a honor to be a part of this event, and have the opportunity to spread the word about ERCO. We made some great contacts, created some new partnerships, and are ready to help and show Christ's love to even more Mississippi families in need." said Tammy

Brun, Board member and Secretary of ERCO.

The group describes themselves as "a group of Christian believers of all denominations whose mission is to 'love because He first loved us' (1 John 4:19). We are committed, because of our love of Jesus Christ, to reach out to the poor and needy around us. By distributing food, clothing, furniture, appliances and other supportive items, we can work together to meet the physical needs of the less fortunate. We also desire to see their spiritual needs met through prayer, distribution of Bibles, personal and group evangelism, and by actively showing unconditional love."

ERCO has a number of projects, and so their need for volunteers is great. Some of the projects volunteers can help with are: sorting and organizing donations, helping with the pick-up of donations, helping with specific skills such as carpentry, painting, electrical, plumbing, etc. and visiting and ministering to the ERCO families who benefit from ERCO's charity. ERCO is also a great way for students to earn community service hours.

For more information about ERCO, call (601) 937-0697 or visit their website at www.everreaching.com.


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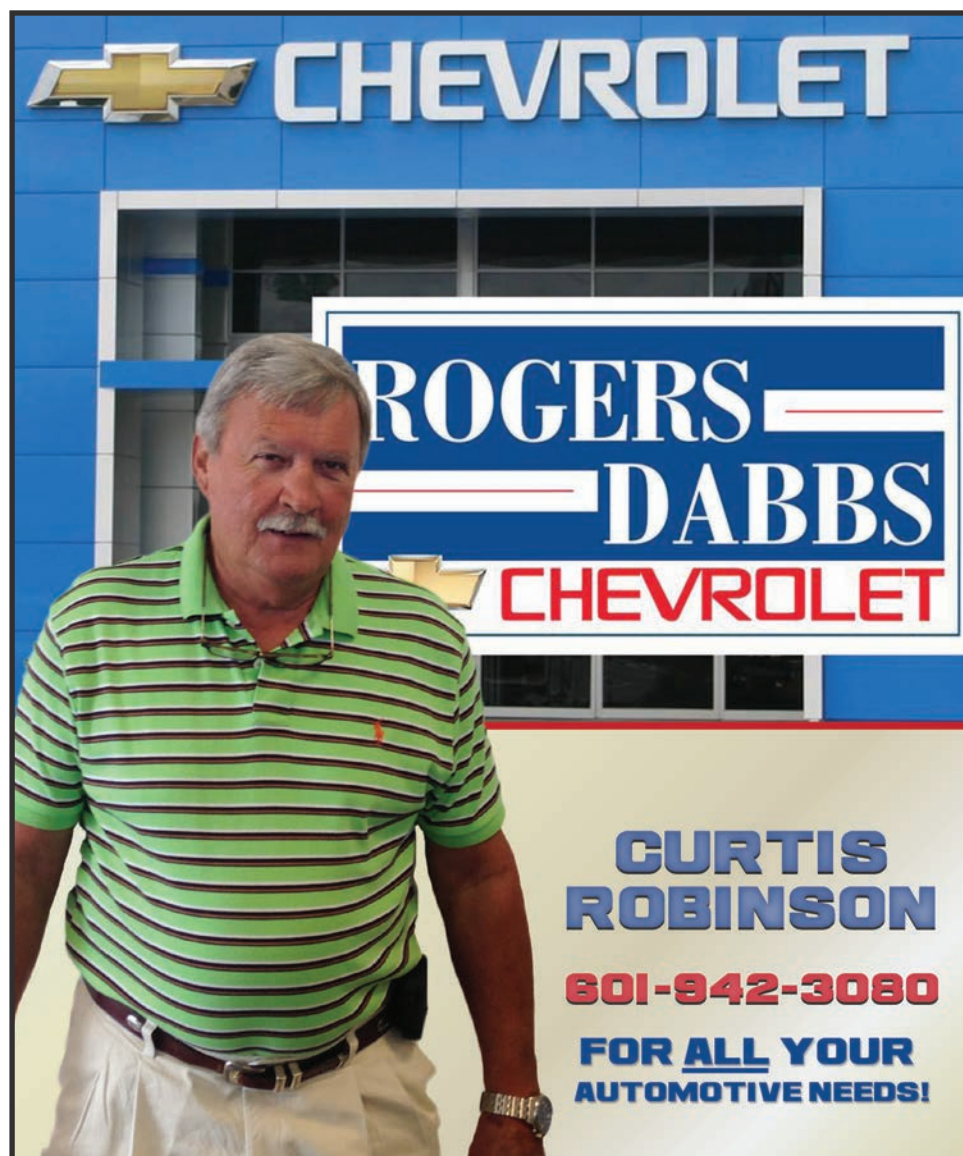
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September 12	Tri-County	HS	Away	7:00
September 19	Open	HS	Open	7:00
September 26	Brookhaven	HS	Home	7:00
September 4	Parklane	B JV	Away	5:30 6:45
September 11	Columbia	B JV	Away	5:30 6:45
September 18	Oak Forest	B JV	Home	5:30 6:45
September 25	Jackson Prep	B JV	Away	5:30 6:45

2014 - Fast-Pitch Softball

September 2	Copiah	V JV	Home	4:00 5:30
September 6	Hillcrest Tourn.	TBA	Away	TBA
September 8	Oak Forest	Varsity	Home	4:00
September 9	Columbia	JV V	Away	5:00 6:15
September 13	Prep Tourn.	TBA	Away	TBA
September 15	Hillcrest	JV V	Away	5:00 6:15
September 16	PCS	JV V	Away	5:00 6:30
Sept. 20, 22	MAIS South State Play-offs	B JV	Away	TBA
Sept. 27, 29	MAIS South State Play-offs	TBA	TBA	TBA

Family Fun Day committee says "thanks"

Special to *The Pelahatchie News*

The Pelahatchie Family Fun Day committee wants to say "thank you" for all the donations during their 19th Annual Back to School Family Fun Day, on Aug. 9.

"Thank you for your donations-whether it was supplies, money, food or time. We never take what you have done for granted. We salute you

and say 'thank you.' "

The Pelahatchie Family Fun Day committee consists of: Linda and Michael Adams, Jarallen and Robert Holly, Kathy Mosley and Patsy Watson.

The committee is part of The Greater Works Outreach Ministry in Pelahatchie, Miss. The group set up a date and time for families to come and collect free school supplies, and refreshments were also provided.

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34th Annual Muscadine Jubilee

the stage will be Troy Laz and Daves Highway.

Every year, there is a unique assortment of hand-made crafts, t-shirts, jewelry, art, muscadine jelly and so much more.

No one attending should go thirsty or hungry, either. A variety of food and beverage vendors will be available on the grounds, so attendees may stay as long as they like.

There are plenty of activities for children. Children can take a ride on a choo choo train, ride a pony, pet some animals and enjoy a bouncy house and other inflatable structures. To add to the excitement this year, a 16-seat intermediate swing ride will be available.

The Muscadine Jubilee would not

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Marty Stuart entertains at past Muscadine Jubilee. (Photo by town of Pelahatchie.)

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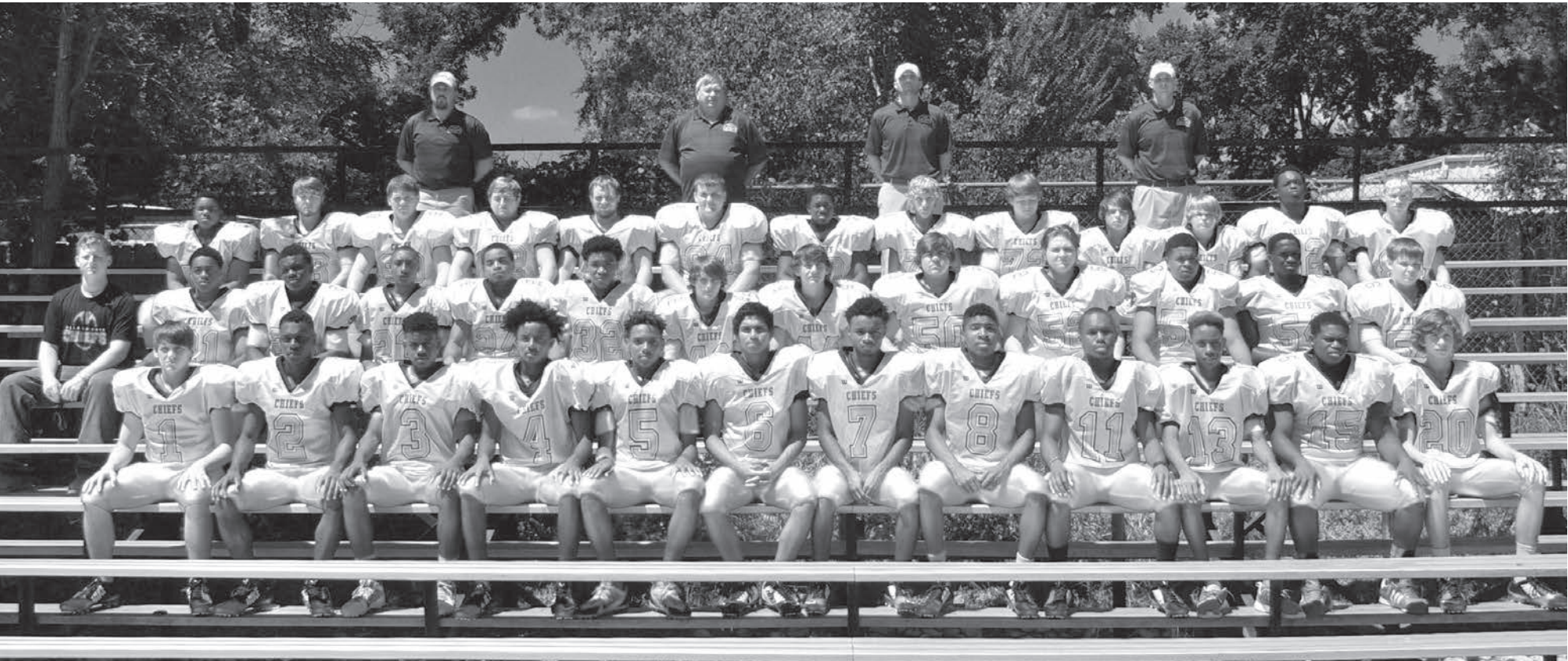
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Chiefs homecoming festivities and prizes

Special to *The Pelahatchie News*

On Sept. 18, at 7:00 p.m., in downtown Pelahatchie, the Chiefs will hold their annual homecoming parade and town decorating contest. The theme for the parade this year is "Around the World in One Night."

The Chieftain Community Club (CCC) invites the town of Pelahatchie to decorate their storefronts, in support of the Chiefs, within the theme. Prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third place winners.

First place winner will receive \$100 ad credit in *The Pelahatchie News* newspaper, and KONA Ice will donate a sign for the winning business. Second place winner will receive \$60 ad credit in *The Pelahatchie News* newspaper, and KONA Ice will donate a sign for the winning business. Third place winner will receive a \$40 ad credit in *The Pelahatchie News* newspaper.

Designated contest judges will observe the businesses who decorate their storefronts at 2:30 p.m. on the

day of the parade. The winners will be announced at the end of the parade and during the game.

The Chieftain football team, cheerleaders and maids will travel the parade route with an official escort by the Pelahatchie Fire Department.

The homecoming court nominees are: Senior Maids Juleah Boyd, Lexie Groves, Brittany Thompson, Samantha Townsend and Samantha Walker; Junior Maids Qee Beeman, JaMarion Hardy and Alexis Hobson; Sophomore Maids Courtney Lum and Shelby Sledge; Freshman Maids Lanie Burkes and Gabbi Walters; Jr. High Maids Skye Bowman and Kimberly Cochran.

The pep rally, immediately following the parade, will take place at the Muscadine Park pavilion. The Chiefs will play the Ethel Attendance Center Tigers on Friday, Sept. 19, at 7:00 p.m. The pep rally is sponsored by the CCC, Pelahatchie High School Cheerleaders, Pelahatchie High School Touchdown Club and Pelahatchie High School Student Council.

Pelahatchie cheerleaders show spirit



Pelahatchie High School Cheerleaders cheer on the team at the first football game of the 2014 season. (Photo by Katie White)



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Sports Calendar

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2014 - Football

September 5	Bay Springs	HS	Home	6:00
*September 12	West Lowndes	HS	Home	7:00
*September 19	Ethel	HS	Home	7:00
*September 26	Nanah Waiya	HS	Away	7:00

*District Games

September 8	Puckett	JH	Home	TBA
September 15	Pisgah	JH	Away	TBA
September 22	Sebastopol	JH	Home	TBA
September 29	McLaurin	JH	Away	TBA

2014 - Softball

September 2	Lake	JV Var	Away	5:30 6:30
September 4	Lake	JV Var	Home	6:00 4:30
September 9	Pisgah	JV Var	Away	5:00 6:00
September 11	Sebastopol	JV Var	Away	5:00 6:00
September 16	Leake County	JV Var	Home	6:00 4:30
September 18	Leake County	JV Var	Away	6:00 4:30
September 23	Sebastopol	JV Var	Home	6:00 4:30
September 25	Florence	JV Var	Home	6:00 4:30
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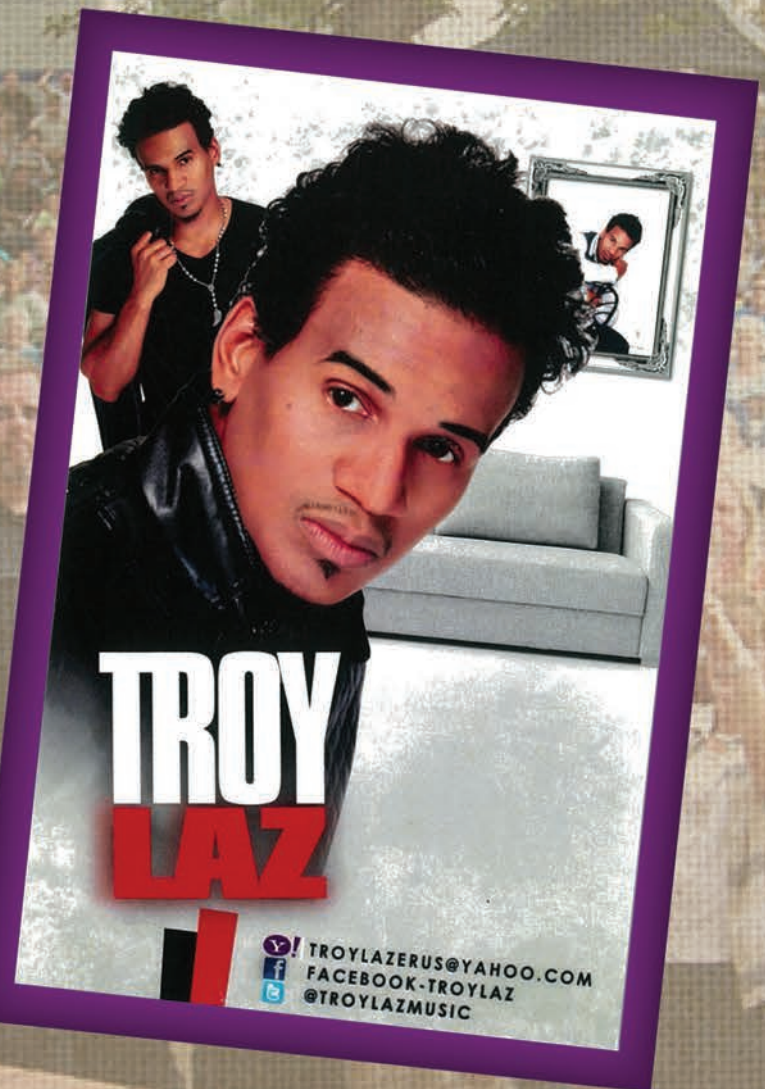


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National Night Out at the park



National Night Out Pelahatchie Mississippi

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National Night Out (NNO), Pelahatchie-style, was a fun way to bring the town together at Muscadine Park on two separate nights.

The first night, Aug. 4, at 7:30 p.m., the movie *Yogi Bear* was shown on an inflatable movie screen, and popcorn was available. The movie was sponsored by PriorityOne Bank.

On Tuesday night, August 5, at 6:30 p.m., live music, games, a water

slide for the kids, and hot dogs and drinks made the second night just as special. The refreshments were provided by the Pelahatchie Police Department.

NNO was developed in 1984 by the *National Association of Town Watch*, in an effort to promote involvement in crime prevention activities, police-community partnerships, neighborhood camaraderie and to send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.



Photos by Katie White

Cross Roads offers grief support

Special to *The Pelahatchie News*

GriefShare, a grief recovery ministry designed to help individuals rebuild their lives after losing a loved one, will be offered by Cross Roads Baptist Church, beginning Sept. 16.

The video-based ministry, which meets for 13 weeks, features nationally recognized experts speaking on grief recovery topics including *Is This Normal*, *The Challenges of Grief*, *Grief and Your Relationships* and *Guilt and Anger*. Small support groups, led by church members, will also be a part of the ministry.

Sheila Bradshaw is the Ministry Coordinator at Cross Roads. Sessions will begin at 6:45 p.m. on Tuesday evenings at Cross Roads Baptist Church, located at 104 Crossroads Rd., Pelahatchie. The class will meet in the Fellowship Ship Hall.

Child care will be provided. Program materials cost \$15, but scholarships are available. Sessions will be offered in the fall and again in the spring.

For more information, visit the Church website at www.crossroadspel.org, or call Sheila at the Church Office at (601) 546-2297.



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Davis performs at Crossgates Baptist



Judy Rhodes Davis, who recently recorded a Christian music CD titled *I Believe: Now Help My Unbelief*, performs a free concert ministering to families caring for chronically ill or special needs children. The concert was held at Crossgates Baptist Church in Brandon, Miss., on Aug. 24. The seats were full, and the church applauded her performance and praise. (Photo special to *The Pelahatchie News*.)

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Cross Roads Baptist Church Open House Tour

The members of Cross Roads Baptist Church would like to invite you to an Open House to tour their new and renovated buildings.

The Open House will be Sunday, September 7 from 4:00 until 5:30. Come and be our guest and see what God has done at Cross Roads!

Regular Sunday Schedule

8:30 – Contemporary Worship Service
10:00 – Bible Study for all ages
11:00 – Blended Worship Service
5:00 – Kids Worship
6:00 – Evening Activities

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Cross Roads Baptist Church has been gathering people to worship and sending them out to serve. The Lord has continued to lead and bless this group of Believers. With a growing Congregation, the need for additional space became evident. So in faith, a new facility was built that has a spacious Fellowship Hall, Industrial Kitchen, Children's Activity Room, Rest Rooms and 16 Sunday School rooms. The additional space allowed for renovations in the main building that provided a much larger Choir Room and expanded restroom facilities. In addition, the old fellowship hall was converted into a 3,000 square foot Student Ministry Center.



Regular Wednesday Schedule

6:00 – Family Supper
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Fusion Martial Arts hosts tournament



American Taekwondo Foundation (ATF) at Pelahatchie Attendance Center gymnasium in 2013. (Photo special to The Pelahatchie News.)

Special to *The Pelahatchie News*

On Sept. 27, Fusion Martial Arts will be hosting the Mississippi Martial Arts Championship at Pelahatchie Attendance Center. The championship will consist of two different styles of competition: taekwondo and brazilian jui-jit-su. The taekwondo portion of the event will begin at 8:30 a.m. with the black belt competition and is limited to American Taekwondo Foundation (ATF) members only. The brazilian jui-jit-su competition will kick-off at 2:00 p.m. and is open to all and any jui-jit-su athletes. Spectators are welcome to come and view any of the competitions.

"It is an honor to host the Mississippi Championship for a third year," said Billy Rials, Senior Instructor and Owner of Fusion Martial Arts. "The

town of Pelahatchie is such a special place, and I am excited that our students will be able to showcase their talents and hard work to people in our community and others from all across the southern United States."

Hundreds of competitors from all over the southern region will be in attendance. Also, there will be a number of certified guest judges that will be assisting with the competitions.

"All of this would not be possible without the help of all of our sponsors," said Kristen Rials, Assistant Instructor of Fusion Martial Arts. "We are grateful to have the support of such amazing local business owners and community members."

For more information about Fusion Martial Arts or the Mississippi Martial Arts Competition, call (601) 759-1123.

Alman to compete in statewide pageant

Special to *The Pelahatchie News*

Twelve year-old Pelahatchie resident Bethani Grace Alman captured the title of *Miss Junior High Rankin County* in July of 2014 and will compete for the title of 2015 *Miss Mississippi Junior High* on Sept. 26-28, during the *Miss Mississippi High School Pageant*, at the Saenger Theatre in Hattiesburg, Miss.

Alman is a seventh-grader at East Rankin Academy and the daughter of Bucky and Amanda Alman of Pelahatchie.

"I am excited for the opportunity to represent Rankin County and my wonderful hometown of Pelahatchie at the state pageant. I hope that I can capture the title of *Miss Junior High Mississippi* and make my hometown proud," said Alman.

The *Miss Junior High School America* pageant instills confidence, poise and interview skills in its contestants, but also makes sure that these young

ladies have an education.

There are three age divisions in the statewide and national pageant: junior high, high school and collegiate.

The statewide Mississippi platform served the community by helping the 3D School for Dyslexia in Petal, Miss.

The contestants donated 3,000 pounds of copy paper to the school.

In 2014, contestants served the community at a local no-kill animal shelter, when 2,000 pounds of dog food was donated.

The 2015 contestants are currently raising donations of canned goods to be given to the The Doll House Women's Shelter. This is a shelter for women in a transition-of-life dependency, such as homelessness and escaping abusers.

For more information regarding the *Miss Mississippi High School America* pageant, call (601) 757-3903. Visit www.HattiesburgSaenger.com for ticket purchase, or to find more information regarding the Saenger Theater.



Bethani Grace Alman, Miss Junior High Rankin County, will compete for the title of Miss Junior High Mississippi in Hattiesburg, MS. (Photo by Blake McCollum)

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MDWFP offering dove hunting opportunity in Rankin County

Special to *The Pelahatchie News*

As part of its Private Lands Dove Field Program, the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks (MDWFP) has prepared a dove

field in Rankin County and is offering a limited number of hunting permits for purchase. The 63-acre browntop millet field is located in the Monterey community. The millet will be cut and baled for hay prior to opening day. "Dove hunting is very popular; however, the MDWFP has recognized that having access to properly prepared, family friendly dove fields can be difficult for people to find," says Scott Baker, MDWFP Dove Field Program Leader.

Baker says, "The MDWFP has partnered with a local farmer to make this field available for hunters. Our goal is to have a safe field that offers good

hunting for the entire family to enjoy."

Hunting is by permit only for persons 16 years of age and older. Hunters who purchase permits will be granted access to the field on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday afternoons during the first two dove seasons (September 1 - 21 and October 4 - November 9). Up to two youth hunters 15 years of age or younger can hunt with each permitted adult hunter 21 years of age or older at no additional cost. A limited number of permits are available at \$100 each. Permit fees are used to pay for field preparation.

To purchase a permit or for more information on the Rankin County dove field, including an aerial photo of the field and complete hunting regulations, please visit www.mdwfp.com/dove or contact Scott Baker at (601) 432-2229.



Permits are available for purchase at this Dove field in the Monterey community. (Image special to *The Pelahatchie News*)

Speaker Philip Gunn to host third Mississippi Solutions—an ideas tour

Special to *The Pelahatchie News*

For the third year in a row, Speaker of the House Philip Gunn will host a series of non-partisan town hall meetings around Mississippi for his MS Solutions—an Ideas Tour. Speaker Gunn will make various stops around the state during the week of September 22, 2014.

The purpose of the meetings is to provide a local forum for citizens to share ideas they may have for improving Mississippi. While Speaker Gunn encourages Mississippians to share any suggestions they may have, he also encourages them to provide possible solutions for their concerns.

"Through the years, people have shared their concerns and opinions regarding issues we all care about: jobs, healthcare, education," said Speaker Gunn. "This year, I anticipate people again echoing those sentiments, but I do hope they will also present ideas as to how your elected officials should work toward solving those issues that matter the most to you."

"Mississippians have responded enthusiastically the last two years that we have held MS Solutions—An Ideas Tour," said Speaker Gunn. "The meet-

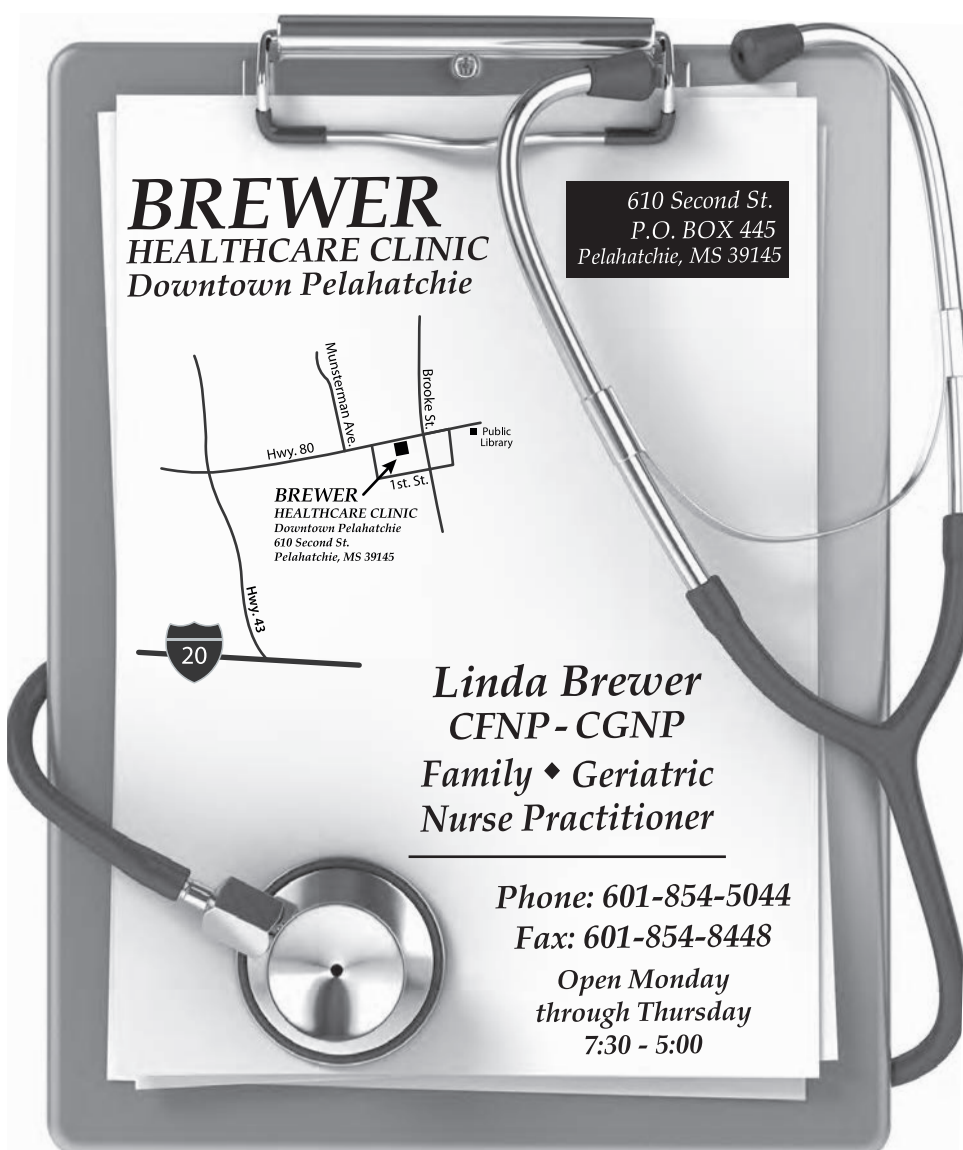


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ings provide an outlet for us to hear from Mississippians all over the State. Not everyone has the opportunity to come to Jackson and meet with elected officials. So, we essentially bring the Legislature to the people."

Each meeting lasts one hour and is open to the public and media. Meeting times in Rankin County are as follows:

- Monday, September 22, 8:00 a.m., at Ridgeland City Hall, 304 U.S. 51, Ridgeland, Miss. 39157, and
- Monday, September 22, 11:30 a.m., at the Community Room next door to Pearl City Hall, 2420 Old Brandon Road, Pearl, Miss. 39208.

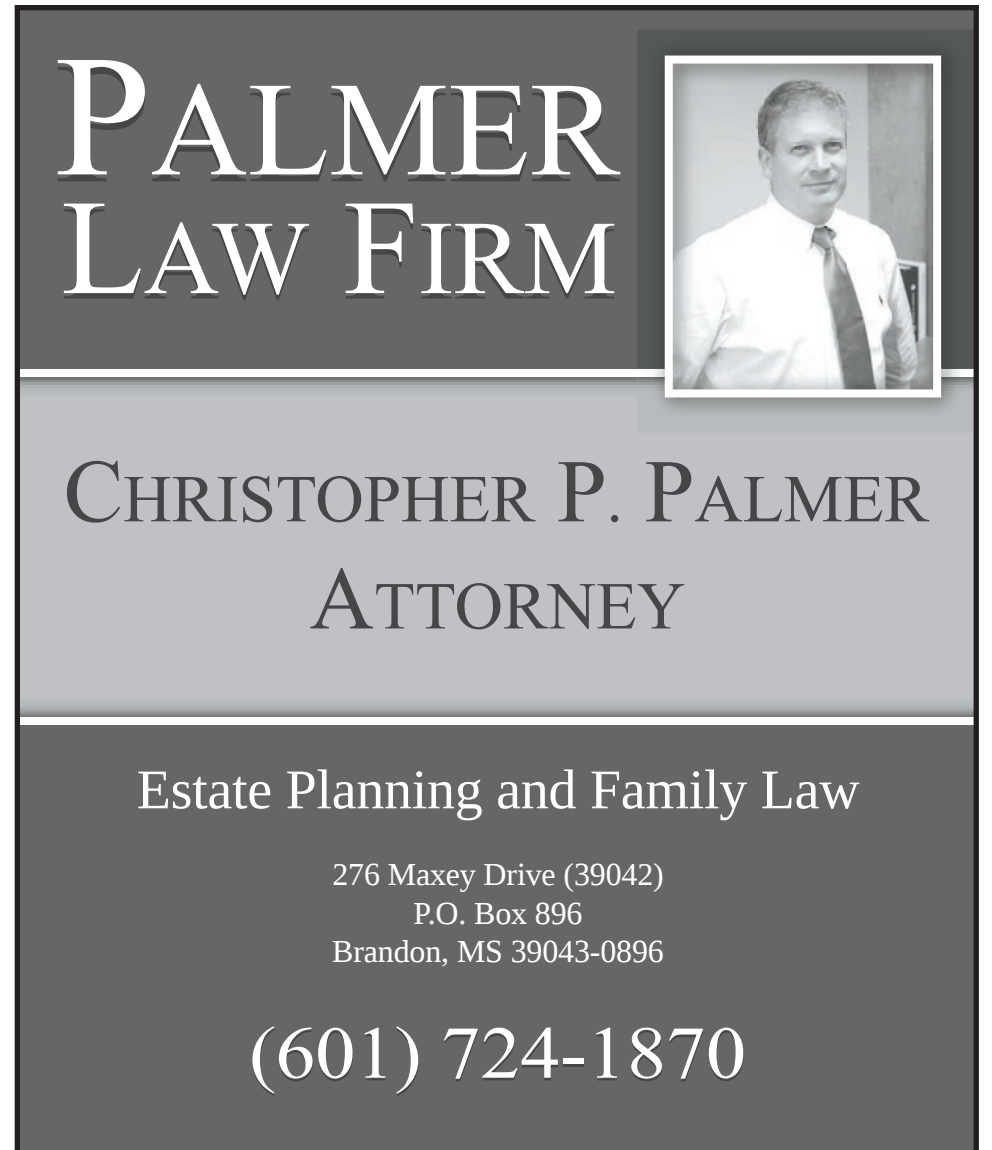


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Chiefs conquer the Dragons



Friday, August 22, the Pelahatchie Chiefs began the season by defeating the Pishah Dragons 33 to 20. (Photo by Katie White)

Time to register for Upward Basketball

Special to *The Pelahatchie News*

Cross Roads Baptist Church is gearing up for Upward basketball and cheer-leading registration for children in K5 through the sixth grade.

K5 through second grade registration is on Monday, Sept. 29; third and fourth-grade registration is on Tuesday, Sept. 30; and fifth and sixth-grade

registration is on Thursday, Oct. 2. All registration times from Sept. 29-Oct. 2, begin at 6:30 p.m. and end at 8 p.m. Make-up evaluations and registration will be on Saturday, Oct. 4, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Registration will take place in the gym. For more information, call (601) 546-2297, ext. 101, or visit www.crossroadspel.org.



Art Contest

All winning art will be displayed at *The Pelahatchie News* Muscadine Festival booth on Saturday, September 13, 2014, and published in the October newspaper.

Categories

***Kindergarten - 3rd Grade, Coloring Muscadine Art Contest**
(A coloring sheet will be provided by *The Pelahatchie News*.)

****4th - 6th Grade, Create-Your-Own Muscadine-theme Art**
(Any art medium on art paper or canvas [not copy paper] and no larger than 8x10.)

Winners

1st and 2nd place winners in both categories for all grades

Prizes

1st place winners (7 total) - \$25 Sal & Mookies gift card and public recognition
2nd place winners (7 total) - \$10 Duke's Steakhouse gift cards and public recognition

Guidelines

The deadline for ALL art submissions is September 8, 2014, 5:00 p.m.

Art submitted outside of the muscadine theme and guidelines will not be entered into the contest.

**4th-6th grade art must be original and not reproduced or copied from any other artist.*

**Submitted art work gives The Pelahatchie News automatic consent to publish child's name, grade, and art.*
(Participation is solely for the town of Pelahatchie, but the contest may expand in years to come.)

All art must include name, grade, and address - written on the back of the art. Do not include school name.
Please do not write the information with a marker as it could bleed through to the front.

Please submit art to *The Pelahatchie News*, P.O. Box 771, Pelahatchie, MS 39145.
(If mailing, please do not fold the art. Place the art in a 9x12 envelope to mail.)

or

Drop off at the Pelahatchie Public Library, 718 Second St., Pelahatchie, MS 39145.
Pelahatchie Elementary and East Rankin Academy may call 601-566-1932, ext. 5, and the art will be collected.

For more information, please call Katie White at 601-566-1932, ext. 5.

IT'S TIME TO GET BACK TO CHURCH!

Cross Roads Baptist Church will be holding a
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from Sunday through Wednesday, September 7 - 10.
Sunday services will be at 8:30, 11:00 & 6:00.
Monday through Wednesday, the services will be at 7:00



Our guest preacher for the Revival will be Dr. Jon Martin, pastor of First Baptist Church in Union, MS. Dr. Jon earned his Masters and Doctorate degrees from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. He is married to Faith Moore, daughter of Tommy & Cheryl Moore, and they have two children, Riley and Mary Hannah.

Bro. Charles Wallace, Minister of Music at Cross Roads will be leading the revival music. Our Choir and Praise Team, as well as invited guests, will be leading in worship.

We hope to see you and your family at Cross Roads for our

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Shiloh Homemakers name signs remembered fondly

By Katie White

Around 1987, a group called The Shiloh Homemakers at Shiloh Methodist Church decided to get together to create hand-made road signs for different families who ordered one. These families typically live in the more rural parts of Pelahatchie.

The ladies painted the signs white with black lettering at first, but eventually a router was used to engrave the wooden name plates. The project came to a halt when the signs became too much for just one group to handle.

The signs can be seen in different spots throughout Pelahatchie, still bearing the names of those who bought a name plate. When seen, they cultivate fond memories for long-time Pelahatchians who either had a hand in making them, were children at the time, or those who are accustomed to seeing them as they drive by.

"As a little girl, I watched my grandmother (Willie Mae Gray) and other Shiloh ladies make and hang those signs. I was in lower elementary," said Michelle Carter, long-time resident of Pelahatchie and owner of Brick House Fitness Center.

In 1987, the Shiloh Homemakers Club consisted of the following

ladies: Wanda Carrigan, Willie Mae Gray, Mercedes Hopson, Joyce Ish-ee, Dean Myers, Edith Palmer, Mary Payne, Anni Mae Rhodes, Betty "Jimmy" Rhodes, Betty "Johnny" Rhodes, Betty Joyce Rhodes, Fannye Rhodes, Amilia Robbins, Jo Robbins, Thelma Robbins, Viola Robbins, Connie Robinson, Margie Rue Shirley, Verna Tucker, Evelyn Tuten, Patsy Wadsworth, Alice Warren, Dean Warren, Myrtis Warren, Bettye Weathersby and Ora Mae White.

The Shiloh Homemakers also worked on such projects as: various donations, placing flowers in front of the old Pelahatchie Library, created and sold calendars, blood drives and quilt making.

It isn't clear how many signs still exist today, but one thing is clear, they are special to a lot of people. They are a part of the town of Pelahatchie's history, at least for those living in the country-side and farming parts of Pelahatchie.

As time passes, developments arise, and much-needed road construction leads to changes in towns all over the world; but in some cases the history of a town is preserved. The name signs made by the Shiloh Homemakers years ago, clearly make the cut.



In 1988, Shiloh Homemakers work on a quilt with a "log cabin" pattern. Quilt makers consisted of: Floriene Johnson, Ora Mae White, Willie Mae Gray, Myrtis Warren, Evelyn Tuten, Mabel Sowell, Sue Murff, Betty Warren, Bettie Weathersby, Jeanette Smith, Fannye Rhodes, Verna Tucker, Carol Chancellor, Amelia Robbins and Betty "Johnny" Rhodes. (Photo special to The Pelahatchie News)



On March 30, 1987, The Shiloh Homemakers attended the Southwest District Extension Homemakers Council annual meeting at Hinds Community College. Those attending included: Sue Murff, Bettye Weathersby, Verna Tucker, Dean Warren, Evelyn Tuten, Willie Mae Gray, Amelia Robbins, Mary Payne, Ora Mae White and Tammye Rhodes. (Photo special to The Pelahatchie News)



Shiloh Homemakers received some help when it came time to hang the signs. (Photo special to The Pelahatchie News)



In 2014, this road sign is found on the corner of Shiloh and Tower Road. (Photo by Katie White)

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