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Wings over Winston to return in October

By LaKeadra Coffey
Winston County Journal

The City of Louisville Board of Aldermen heard a report from Beth Edwards, librarian for the Winston County Library. Edwards gave the board a summary of all of the programs the library has held since December 2024 up until February 2024. She said that Andy Childress had been to every school in the county, including Head Start.

Edwards also told the aldermen about Wonderbooks.

"A narrator reads the book to the child and the child is able to follow along with the book," Edwards said. She also told the board about a service called Talking Book.

She said Talking Book is a free service

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Louisville Mayor Will Hill signs Proclamation for April as National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Pictured from left to right are: Police Chief Sean Holdiness, Court Clerk Kayla Rogers, Mayor Will Hill, E911 Coordinator Felicia Mays, LPD Admin Patricia Whitcomb

Press Reports

April has been designated as National Child Abuse Prevention Month to help raise awareness of this preventable issue. Child abuse is doing something or failing to do something that results in harm to a child or puts a child at risk of harm. Child abuse in all forms is universally being found in all cultures, societies, nationalities, demographics, and economic groups. If a child is in danger, an adult must intervene to save the child.

Although the topic of child abuse is difficult, it is crucial to know the signs so that we can work together as a society to prevent it. A child who's being abused may feel guilty, ashamed or confused. He or she may be afraid to tell anyone about the abuse, especially if the abuser is a parent, relative, or family friend. Signs of child maltreatment may include the following: sudden changes in behavior or school performance; watchful as though

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Easter weekend in Winston County



Over the weekend, families gathered to not only celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus but to reflect on what He means to them and – enjoy a few treats in the process. To see more from Easter events in Winston County, see page 11.

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Legion Park readies for Kids 'N Kats Fishing Rodeo

By Amy Stewart Cagle
Winston County Journal

The peak time for day use of Legion State Park in Winston County is now, and staff members are busy preparing for its annual fishing rodeo on Lake Toppasha. Since the early 2000s, the park has hosted the popular event for local children.

On Saturday, May 3, the Kids 'N Kats Fishing Rodeo will be underway once again. This is a fun-filled fishing experience in a netted-off area stocked with catfish.

The event has become a generational pastime as some children return year after year.

"Over 100 people

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Calendar Of Events

TRIAD Meeting
April 23
Triad monthly meeting will be Wednesday, April 23 at 12 noon in the Pleasant Ridge Outreach Ministry Building, Noxapater, MS. Joey Ford, Family and Community Outreach Specialist for Families Strengthening Families will be speaking on Elderly and Child Abuse

Prevention. Refreshments will be provided. The public is invited. Contact 662.736.3500 for more information.

Scholarship Banquet
April 26
The annual Michael Sherrod Eichelberger Scholarship Banquet will be held on April 26 at 5pm at the Macon Civic Center located at 16291 Hwy 45, Macon.

Benny Luke
April 13, 2025

Benny Luke, 84, passed away Sunday, April 13, 2025, at the Winston Medical Center Nursing Home in Louisville, Mississippi, with his loving family at his side. Visitation was from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. Monday, April 14 at Massey Funeral Home in Louisville, Mississippi. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 15 at Harmony Baptist Church with Reverend Jerry Lundy officiating. Interment immediately followed the service in Harmony Cemetery.

Benny was born March 8, 1941, to James Tillman Luke and Wellie Daniels Luke in Neshoba County, Mississippi. He was a member of Harmony Baptist Church. Benny retired from Taylor Machine Works after more than 30 years of service. He loved to fish and hunt; and he also enjoyed playing dominoes. He answered the call of his country by serving in the United States Navy.

Benny is survived by his loving wife of 54 years, Evelyn Goodin Luke; son, Mark Stevenson (Fran); and daughter-in-law, Cathy Stevenson all of Louisville. One of his greatest joys was being "Pawpaw Benny" to his five grandchildren: LaShara Tingle (Tyson), Quinton Stevenson (Kayla), Ethan Stevenson (Deah), Travis Stevenson, and John Allan Stevenson; his eight great-grandchildren: Cheston Jones (Chynna), Kyle Jones (Kayla), Nikki Stevenson, Nora Stevenson, Lily Stevenson, Eden Stevenson, Lane Tingle and Wyatt Tingle; as well as his great-great-grandchildren: Ryklin Claye Jones, Estee Claire Jones, and he was looking forward to the birth of Millie Mae Evelyn Jones in August. He also leaves behind his siblings: Dorothy Gressett, James Luke, Dwight Sloan, Virgil Luke (Betty), Glenn Luke, and Larry Luke (Maxine); in addition to a host of loving nieces, nephews, other family members, and friends. He was preceded in death by his son, Mike Stevenson; his parents; brother, Cecil Luke; and sister, Martha Carter.

Serving as pallbearers were Cheston Jones, Kyle Jones, Ethan Stevenson, John Allan Stevenson, Quinton Stevenson, and Travis Stevenson. Honorary pallbearers were Tim Hunt and Joel Slawson. Memorials in honor of Benny may be given to Harmony Baptist Church Cemetery Fund, c/o David Holder, 11755 Highway 397, Louisville, MS 39339.

Services were under the direction of Massey Funeral Home, 724 North Columbus Avenue, Louisville, MS. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family by signing the guest register at www.masseyfuneralhome.net.

Paid Obituary



Applications for scholarship are due April 14. This banquet is a fundraiser for the scholarship which is given to graduating students entering their freshmen year of college or university. Tickets are \$25 per adult and \$15 for youth. The speaker for this event will be Pastor Napoleon Jones, Moderator of the Northern Bethlehem Consolidated District, Alabama. If you cannot attend, donations are gladly accepted. For more information contact 662-769-0664 or 662-361-0003.

NAACP Extravaganza
April 26

The Winston County Brand NAACP will host its 42nd Extravaganza on Saturday, April 26 at 6:00pm. The Extravaganza will be held at the Mount Olive Bethel Harmony District Association Building (MOBH), 521 Armstrong St., Louisville. The theme for this year's Extravaganza is "All In" The speaker will be Pastor Melvin White of Pilgrim Baptist Church of Natchez, Ms.

Providence Memorial Service Choctaw County
April 27

Providence Baptist Church located in Choctaw County will have their annual memorial service on April 27. The speaker will be Randy Poss. He is the son of longtime pastor of Providence Baptist Church,

Brother Randle Poss. Special music will be provided by Nichole Oswalt. Service will begin at 10:30 am Sunday morning. Bring lunch and spread with us in our family life center as we worship the Lord and fellowship together.

Men's Ministry
April 27

The Men's Ministry of St. James Presbyterian Church invites the public to come and worship with them on the fourth Sunday in April at 3:00pm for their Annual Men's Day Program. The speaker will be Rev. Donald Bryant, Pastor of Mt. Pisgah M.B. Church in Preston.

REPM Meeting
May 1

There will be a meeting Thursday, May 1 at 1 p.m. at City Hall. Anyone who receives a COLA check is invited. This includes retired city officials, legislators, state agency employees, teachers and anyone else who receives a COLA check. We have these meetings only four times a year – March, May, September and December with December being our lunch meeting at a place in Louisville. We meet at 1 p.m. the first Thursday of these four months. Dues are \$15 a year or \$140 for lifetime with \$100 going to the state and \$40 staying in our local group.

Kids N Katz
May 3

The Kids N Kats

Fishing Rodeo will be May 3 with registration starting at 7:30 am at Legion State Park. This is for children ages 15 and under and they must have adult supervision. Each participant needs to bring their own bait, tackle and rod/pole. For more info call 662-773-8323.

Winston Guards UDC meeting
May 6

Winston Guards #2643, United Daughters of the Confederacy will meet on Tuesday, May 6, 2025 at 5:30 PM at Lake Tiak-O'Khata. For further information, call 662-803-9437.

Oak Grove Baptist Church Memorial/Homecoming Service
May 17

Oak Grove Baptist Church Noxapater will host its annual church memorial/homecoming service on Sunday, May 11th at 11Am. Dinner on the grounds will follow. For more information you may contact Bro. Michael Bishop, pastor at 662-736-4480

Harper Chapel Revival Monthly, through June 1

The public is invited to attend the Harper Chapel Revival services which will be held on the first Sunday of each month at 2:00 PM nightly. Guest speakers are as follows..
May 4: Rev. Benjamin Pittman, pastor of Mt. Moriah M.B. Church
June 1: Rev. McIntosh, pastor of Mt. Bell M.B. Church

Juneteenth Day
June 14

Juneteenth is a federal holiday commemorating the emancipation of enslaved African Americans in 1865. Juneteenth Day will be celebrated on Saturday, June 14, 2025 at Dean Park located on Highway 15 South in Louisville from 11am-5pm. The event is sponsored by Winston County's Dean Park Commissioners. Vendors who wish to participate should contact Carolyn Hampton at (662) 803-2106 no later than Thursday, May 1, 2025.

RECURRING EVENTS:

JAYAECP Meeting
The Juvenile and Young Adult Education/Crime Prevention (JAYAECP) will meet every thrid Saturday at 1pm at Mt. Pleasant #1, 467 Evergreen Rd., Louisville. Contact 662-769-0664 or earnestbeichelberger159@gmail.com for more information.

Embrace Grace Group

Single and pregnant? Get support, find hope, and experience joy when you join an Embrace Grace group. Call East Louisville Baptist Church at (662) 773-3683 to sign up for our next session.

Seniors and Others Game Time Weekly

Every Tuesday, the City of Louisville Parks and Rec Department will host a game night for Seniors in the community and others from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. in the Louisville Coliseum Party Room, 245 Ivy Avenue. There will be dominoes, card games, board games, entertainment, and social time.

Winston Co Library events Monthly

StoryTime every Tuesday at 9:30
Bingo every second Thursday at 10:00
Sip & Draw every second Wednesday at 10:00
Diamond Art every first Wednesday at 10:00
Tech Tutors every third Thursday from 9-11 (help with any of

The Louisville Municipal School District's Office of Support Services will accept quotes for Professional Development for the 2025-26 school year.

Purpose

The purpose of this request is to obtain quotations for professional consultant services to provide training and embedded support for special education staff members, school-site teachers, and district administrative/leadership teams (as needed),

Scope of Services

The consulting services will include but is not limited to department and/or district wide support for the following:

- IEP Data Management Strategies
- IEP Goal Writing/Progress Monitoring
- Social-Emotional Learning Support
- Language Development/Communications
- Child Find Processes

Selection Process

Quotes will be evaluated based on the efficacy of the plan, research-based strategies, and budget/cost effectiveness.

Submission Information

Quotes may be submitted by mail to:

Rosemary Lampley,
Director of Special Education, LMSD
P.O. Box 909
Louisville, MS 39939
(must be postmarked no later than 05/23/2025)

Or delivered to:

Rosemary Lampley,
Director of Special Education, LMSD
891. S. Columbus Avenue
Louisville, MS 39339

Or emailed to: rlampley@louisville.k12.ms.us

Deadline for in-person or electronic submission is Wednesday, May 28, 2025.

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Investing time in the Word of God opens your ears to His voice

By Austin Bishop

11 So let us do our best to enter that rest. But if we disobey God, as the people of Israel did, we will fall.

12 For the word of God is alive and powerful. It is sharper than the sharpest two-edged sword, cutting between soul and spirit, between joint and marrow. It exposes our innermost thoughts and desires.

— Hebrews 4:11-12 (NLT)

Verse 12 speaks volumes about the importance the Bible should have in our lives. Spending time consum-

ing the Word of God and allowing it to take root in our soul allows us to have a greater understanding of God and His Ways. It also opens up an avenue to a deeper relationship with the Creator Himself.

The Word of God is more than just ink on paper or a handwritten creation of man’s ideas. It is truly God speaking to us. The Bible is not a relic. It is alive and full of hope, wisdom, and deep spiritual truths.

The Word of God has an inseparable relationship with the Holy Spirit. In order to have a greater understanding of the Word it

requires relying upon the Holy Spirit for a deep revelation we could never create for ourselves. In return, the Word of God teaches us about the Holy Spirit, how He operates, and the importance of embracing His presence in our lives.

God’s Word separates truths from lies, right from wrong, and morality from immorality. Through the examples of the Old Testament and the hope of the New Testament, it illuminates the path that takes us all where the deepest areas of our soul long to be — in the presence of God.

The only shadows

and gray areas in the Word of God are those cast there by men trying to twist it to their personal and immoral advantage.

Soaking in the Word of God and giving it time to seep in the crevices of our hearts, souls, and minds, will bring to light the things that need to be addressed. The Bible speaks its loudest and clearest when we close our minds and open our hearts. While the words may seem to pierce our very soul at times, the Bible is actually cutting away the misunderstandings, false teachings, lies, and confusion that

have tried to latch themselves to our Christian walk.

Allow God’s Word to peel back your opinions and reveal His truth in a new and powerful way in your life.

While reading the Word opens our souls to spiritual growth, it is putting those words to use that is the difference maker and transforms us from pretenders to contenders.

A heart that is fully exposed in the presence of God, is one that is ready to be healed, renewed, and set free.

Austin Bishop has been a journalist for 50 years and is an



Bishop ordained minister. Those wishing to receive his daily devotional/Bible study notes may sign up by texting 601-938-2471 and asking to be added to either the morning or afternoon list. He can be reached by e-mail at starsportsboss@yahoo.com.

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your devices)

The City of Louisville will meet at city hall every first and third Tuesday of the month.

Meetings

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preparing for something bad to happen; shows up to school or other activities early, stays late, and does not want to go home; is reluctant to be around a particular person; is overly compliant, passive, or withdrawn; is depressed, or has low self-esteem.

For many children, abuse is all they are used to. Uninterrupted, this behavior may pass from generation to generation. True child protection starts with you. It comes from an awareness of, garnering knowledge about, and understanding what comprises child

abuse. It comes from a willingness to act when we see or suspect abuse. It comes from remembering that child abuse is not something that just happens to other people’s children. It can happen to our children too. Anyone can report suspected child abuse anonymously by contacting your local Child Protection Service Office, calling the Mississippi Hotline

Number at 1.800.222.8000, online at https://reportabuse.mdcps.ms.gov, or if in immediate danger, call 911.

The US Department of Health and Human Services: The Children’s Bureau and Office of Administration for Children and Families’ Child Maltreatment 2023 Report revealed nationally 546,159 vic-

tims of child maltreatment and 2,000 died from abuse. In February 2025, the Mississippi Department of Child Protection Services reported 2,283 open safety investigations, 3,545 children received in-home services, and 4,062 children were in custody statewide.

To help raise awareness, SOSD Discovery Center has scheduled multiple events. For

more information, please check out our Facebook page at SOSD Discovery Center or contact Barbara Culberson at 662.615.0033 or email a bculberson@starkvillesd.com. Remember, the abuse of children survives and thrives on silence. Break the silence!

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and is available to those with visual, physical, or reading disabilities. This free service provides audio and Braille materials delivered directly to your door.

“It sends you a recorder and an envelope with the tape in it. And the person can put the tape in and read along with the materi-

als. It’s great for someone who is learning to read and is impaired or for someone who loves to read and is impaired,” she said. “When I presented to the Supervisors, one of them reached out to me and we were able to provide the service for their family member.”

Edwards said if anyone qualified for the

service to please let her know. Alderman Eugene Crosby asked about the Chess Club.

She said the Chess Club is going well and they have a really good turnout with it.

“You’d be surprised,” Edwards said.

Also, Mike Forrester with the Airport Board spoke to the aldermen. Forrester said a ramp project at the airport is nearing completion.

He said the project nearly doubles the size

of the ramp and that every hangar at the airport is filled and he has a waiting list of people wanting to fly into Louisville.

Forrester also said it’s going to improve lighting, which is helpful to aircrafts in inclement weather.

Aldermen Drew Massey asked Forrester if the Columbus Air Force Base utilized the airport.

“Yes, we have a mem-

orandum with the CAFB and they use our air space as a training area. I’m hoping that I can get them to agree to participate in Wings over Winston.”

Speaking of Wings over Winston, Forrester said that he’s bringing back Wings over Winston and it will be held in October of this year.

“I know I said I wasn’t going to do it anymore. I had a weak moment,” he said. “But

we’re going to do it again. This year it’s on October 11, which is a bye week for Mississippi State. There are no ballgames so we’re hoping for a good community turnout. We’ll have six of the top airobatics that will perform,” he said.

Forrester said it’s going to be a great event and it’s always a good turnout.

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Park

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attend yearly, and last year participants totaled well over that number,” said Terri Grice, park manager. “Among them was a man who brought his daughter because he had often enjoyed it firsthand while growing up.”

It may be called Kids ‘N Kats, but the annual event attracts ages up to 15 years old.

“We typically include children ages 15 and under since 16 is the age when a fishing license becomes mandatory,” Grice said.

Children 15 and under should bring their own pole, tackle, bait, and fishing gear to enjoy a morning of outdoor adventure from 8-11 a.m. Registration is required upon arrival, and participants must be with an adult. The participation cost is free, which includes free admittance to the park for the morning.

Although a number of fish are caught, Grice said, the staff distributes some prizes for participants upon event conclusion.

Legion State Park has events and activities for all ages and all seasons, indoors and outdoors.

Upcoming for Legion State Park is the Mother’s Day Open on Saturday, May 10 for a Professional Disc Golf Association C-Tier Tournament hosted by Starkville-based Disc and That. This is a one-day, two-round sanctioned tournament with a shotgun start. Registration is available at www.discgolf-scene.com. When not organized as a tourna-

ment, the Big Iron Disc Golf Course, an 18-hole tournament-style disc golf course, can be played at any time with the park access fee.

“Our park is an integral part of life for individuals and families year-round,” Grice said.

Along with the 12-acre Lake Toppasha and its encircling 1.6-mile Blue Bird Nature Trail, the park includes 4-acre Lake Palila and Legion Lodge.

Legion State Park is located at 635 Legion State Park Road in Louisville. The park office is open seven days a week from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. The park entrance fee is generally \$2 per person with ages 5 and under admitted free. For questions about Legion State Park, contact Terri Grice, park manager, at (662) 773-8323.



Mississippi schools lose \$137M in COVID aid

Press Reports

On Thursday, April 3, the Mississippi Department of Education sent out a press release stating that the MDE, along with 66 districts stand to collective lose over \$137 million dollars in COVID funds. The Mississippi Department of Education and individual school districts

were issued American Rescue Plan Elementary and Second School Emergency Relief (ESSER). The funding also including ARP Homeless funds, and ARP Emergency funds to non-public schools (EANS).

The abrupt halt of the funding The letter from Linda McMahon, U.S. Secretary of Education,

response to a liquidation extension request, the Department of Education previously granted a discretionary extension of the period of liquidation. But the Department has reconsidered your request.”

The letter goes on to say: “After careful review, the Department is modifying the liquidation period to end on March 28, 2025. The Department

has concluded that the further extension of the liquidation period for the aforementioned grants, already well past the period of performance, was not justified. You and your subrecipients have had ample time to liquidate obligations. Indeed, the applicable regulation provided clear notice of the deadline for liquidating “all financial obligations incurred”:

“no later than 120 calendar days after the conclusion of the period of performance.” Id. By failing to meet the clear deadline in the regulation, you ran the risk that the Department would deny your extension request. Extending deadlines for COVID related grants, which are in

Protecting tomorrow’s environment today

Press Reports

The Golden Triangle Regional Solid Waste Management Authority and the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality are sponsoring a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day Saturday April 26 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the GTR Landfill. The landfill is located just

west of US 45A at 9778 Old West Point Road, Starkville.

Please note that ONLY items from households (residential) will be accepted. Items from business or industry will NOT be accepted. Types of items to be accepted include aerosols, batteries, paint, household cleaners, chlorine, wood finish, automobile fluids, herbicides, rodent poison, oil fil-

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fact taxpayer funds, years after the COVID pandemic ended is not consistent with the Department's priorities and thus not a worthwhile exercise of its discretion."

In the press release from the MDE, it states that this money has

been obligated by the districts and could cause negative repercussions because it was abruptly pulled. It also states it's offering guidance to possible affect districts.

"Districts have contractual obligations that cannot simply be

terminated without significant financial, educational, and legal consequences. Many of these projects are partially completed, with work occurring based on the timeline ED previously approved. These are not merely numbers on a spreadsheet; they represent essential services and supports that directly benefit Mississippi stu-

dents, including:

Instructional services specifically designed to address pandemic-related learning gaps;

Access to high-quality instructional materials and professional development for educators to implement them effectively;

Ongoing support for students experiencing homelessness, a need that has persisted since

the start of the pandemic;

School nurses and mental health services to address the heightened wellness needs of students, which remain at historic levels since the onset of the pandemic; and

Essential school facility repairs and improvements that are necessary to ensure a safe and healthy learn-

ing environment for all students.

MDE is working expeditiously to recover the federal money and is offering guidance to districts directly impacted. That guidance includes pausing services and local construction projects underway."

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Jemero and Kingdomology kick off tour with concert in Louisville

By Elmetra Eichelberger
Patterson

Jemero and Kingdomology held its first concert of its present tour in Louisville, on Saturday, April 5

with an audience that was electrified by the talent of each member, including the musicians on the keyboard, percussions, bass guitar and electric guitar.

Seemingly, the crowd's favorite songs were "I Know It Was the Blood" and "Victory is Mine".

Jerome Carter, the director and soloist, is a

native of Louisville and a former Louisville High School Wildcat. The gospel group's next stop will be at Clear Creek Baptist Church, located at 46 CR 313,

Oxford, MS on April 25 at 6:33 p.m. Other concerts on this tour will be held in Washington, D. C., June 19 and on to Brooklyn, N.Y. on June 21 (details to be

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DAR Good Citizen Essay
Contest winner

100th Birthday celebration

Press Reports

Each school year the Daughters of the American Revolution offer each of the county schools the opportunity to choose a student from the senior class as their DAR Good Citizen. Those students are then given the opportunity to compete with the other good citizen's winners in the essay contest. The winner of the Good Citizen Essay Contest this year is Miss Julia Marie Gregory. Julia is a senior at Winston Academy. She is the daughter of Jennifer Collier and Bart Gregory.

Julia is active in all areas of school life and in many areas of community service. After graduation she plans to attend Mississippi State University and major in either biological sciences or kinesiol-



ogy with a pre-physical therapy concentration. Her ultimate goal is to work in pediatrics or sports medicine.

Julia will be the guest of the DAR in April and receive a monetary

award for her achievement. We would like to congratulate Julia on all her accomplishments and wish her the best of luck in her future endeavors.



Recently, Mr. Webb Ball was honored for his 100th birthday at Hopewell United Methodist Church. His children, Myrtis, Alma, Ruby, Steve, Ray, Dikettia and Jerry celebrated with their father; along with his grandchildren, great grandchildren, great-great grandchildren, and friends. He officially turned 100 years old on April 11, 2025.

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Winston County Jail Docket

The following were arrested by Winston County Sheriff's Department or the Mississippi Highway Patrol during April 14-21, 2025.

- Ashby, Anthony D., 12/29/61, BM, Burglary commercial buildings, cars, etc., WCSO, 4/16/25
Broadway, Joseph M., 9/17/88, WM, Hold, detainer for Winston SO, MHP, 4/17/25
Clark, Benjamin K.,

- 9/19/82, WM, Kidnaping, MV-no insurance, MV-tag none or expired, Domestic violence simple assault, WCSO, 4/18/25
Combest, Kendrick T., 1/14/70, BM, CS: Marijuana simple poss, CS: Paraphernalia, WCSO, 4/18/25
Daniel, Johnny, 2/4/84, BM, DUI other, MHP, 4/17/25
Geovanny, Carlos, 11/1/90, HM, Public drunk, WCSO, 4/20/25

- Graham, Arlean, 1/11/69, BF, Stalking: cyberstalking, WCSO, 4/15/25
Holman, Matthew D., 5/12/84, BM, Warrant, WCSO, 4/19/25
Hoskin, April, 4/12/85, BF, DUI 1st offense, MHP, 4/19/25
Hoskin, Chandra P., 5/24/82, BF, Warrant, Hold; detainer for LPD, WCSO, 4/19/25
Johnson, Martarsha L., 7/22/86, BF, DUI 1st offense, MHP, 4/19/25
Lockett, Kaliya A.,

- 12/9/95, BF, DUI Controlled substance, MHP, 4/18/25
May, Laclinton, 5/26/95, BM, DUI other uncontrolled substance, MHP, 4/17/25
McCullar, Minnie, 8/30/58, BF, DUI 1st offense, MHP, 4/17/25
McQueen, Warren, 11/26/69, BM, DUI 1st offense, MHP, 4/19/25
Neal, Jamie, 4/23/97, BM, DUI 1st offense, MHP, 4/19/25
Phillips, Jimarce, 12/19/04, BM, DUI

- other uncontrolled substance, MHP, 4/18/25
Savior, Remario L., 6/21/85, BM, DUI 1st offense, MHP, 4/20/25
Shoemake, Theresa A., 9/21/70, F, DUI 1st offense, MHP, 4/20/25
Smith, James L., 9/23/83, BM, DUI 1st offense, MHP, 4/19/25
Watkins, Ira S., 12/20/74, WM, DUI 1st offense, MHP, 4/18/25
Wayne, Victory M., 2.8.85, WM, DUI other uncontrolled substance, MHP, 4/17/25

- Williams, Ronnyae, 8/4/98, BM, DUI 1st offense, MHP, 4/17/25

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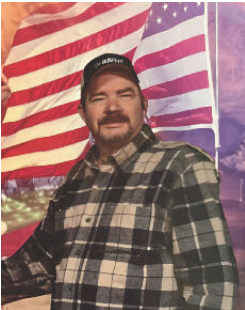
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The Sip Nutrition celebrates Grand Opening



Bobby Mack Adcock April 8, 2025

Bobby Mack Adcock, 61, passed away Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at his residence in Winston County, Mississippi. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Friday, April 11 at Friendship Baptist Church in Sturgis, Mississippi, with Reverends Jeremy McCrory and Bill Ross officiating. Visitation were held the day of service at the church from 9:30 a.m. until service time.



Interment was immediately following the service in Craig Springs Cemetery in Oktibbeha County.

Bobby was born December 2, 1963, to Bobby Earl and Nancy Sue Pritchett Adcock. He was a member of Friendship Baptist Church in Sturgis. Bobby was an electrician at Winston Plywood and Veneer. He enjoyed hunting, especially deer; fishing; watching college sports; and eating steaks. He also dearly loved his family and enjoyed spending time with them.

Bobby was survived by his wife of 32 years, Sandra Adcock of Sturgis; and three sons: Bryson Cole Adcock (Megan) also of Sturgis; Jessie Dwain Walters (Christie) of Collins, Mississippi; and Douglas Scott Walters (Dee Dee) of Seminary, Mississippi. One of his greatest joys was being “Pepaw” to his three grandchildren: Ainsley Nicole Adcock, Kamrie Paige Duckworth (Colby), Gaige Scott Walters, and he was looking forward to the birth of his fourth grandchild, Bobby Anderson Adcock, in August. He is also survived by three brothers, Champ Adcock (Amy), John Smith, and Daniel King; and his sister, Mary Nell Adcock; as well as a host of loving nieces, nephews, other family members, and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; and sister, Joy King.

Serving as pallbearers were Gaige Walters, Colby Duckworth, Brooks Adcock, Shaw Adcock, Tommy Coleman, T. J. Coleman, Sam Dempsey, Grayson Freeman, A. J. Harvey, and Richard Stribling. Honorary pallbearers are those in the Men’s Sunday School Class at Friendship Baptist Church. Memorials in honor of Bobby may be given to Craig Springs Cemetery Fund, c/o Renee Pinnix Howell, 2406 Wade Road, Starkville, MS 39759.

Services were under the direction of Massey Funeral Home, 724 North Columbus Avenue, Louisville, MS. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family by signing the guest register at www.masseyfuneralhome.net.

Paid Obituary

On Friday, April 18, The Sip Nutrition in Noxapater held its official ribbon-cutting ceremony. Owner Kelly Sullivan thanked family, friends, employees, and the community for their strong support. Guests enjoyed photo ops with the Easter Bunny and the Noxapater Tiger mascot, while

Elizabeth Eubanks of Pop & Paint offered hands-on activities. Refreshments were served, and drinks were available for purchase. Visitors are encouraged to stop by, check out the building’s fresh updates, and support this local downtown business.



Robin Blaine April 6, 2025

Robin Blaine, 54, passed away Sunday, April 6, 2025, at AMG Specialty Hospital – North Mississippi in Batesville, Mississippi. A memorial service celebrating Robin’s life will be held at a later date.



Robin Geoffrey Blaine was born September 1, 1970 in Louisville, Winston County, Mississippi to Robert Earl Blaine and Wynne Inez Ferguson Blaine. He was reared in Winston County and spent most of his adult life there. He graduated from Louisville High School in 1988 and attended Mississippi State University for two years, where he met many life-long friends. Robin’s passion was science fiction and fantasy role-playing games. His friends loved his beautiful drawings of fantasy characters and enjoyed the richly detailed stories he would weave during game nights.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother Danny Burns, and his beloved dog Snow Bear. He is survived by a brother, Jerry Michael Burns of Grandin, Florida; sister-in-law Susan Burns of Columbus, Mississippi; nephews Yancy Burns (Shanda) and Daniel Burns (Misty); great-nephews Dylan, Morgan, Harper, and Evan Burns and Thomas Cruthirds (Krew); and great-niece Madilyn Burns Cruthirds (Kyle).

He will be missed by many friends all across the nation. Rest in Peace, brother.

Services were under the direction of Massey Funeral Home, 724 North Columbus Avenue, Louisville, MS. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family by signing the guest register at www.masseyfuneralhome.net.

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WCSHC’s 2025 strawberry crop thrives

By Frank Taylor

The Winston County Self Help Cooperative’s 2025 strawberry crop is thriving and producing healthy fruit. Before we delve further into this narrative, we want to share a point of clarification. The Winston County Self Help Cooperative (WCSHC) is a community-based organization working with landowners and farmers in the southeastern states. WCSHC has an unwavering commitment to help save rural America, by providing leadership to the next generation of land stewards. This tested organization has a portfolio of services which amplify their role in helping families manage their natural resources.

“Presently, WCSHC is growing a crop of strawberries in their high tunnel house,” according to Allen McReynolds. We transplanted these Fantana

bare roots in late October 2024. This variety produces sweet and tasty berries. Alonzo Miller stated, “This has been a long and enduring process until now. We installed micro irrigation to keep the plants healthy and viable throughout the winter months.” We encountered two extreme cold periods in the first two months of 2025. However, this variety of strawberries exhibited resilience and overcame the adverse weather conditions. This is WCSHC second year growing strawberries, and we are learning that implementing these practices ensures the crop’s success. We should be able to consistently harvest berries into the latter part of April.

Rosie Harris and Mayla Odom, members of WCSHC, will incorporate the valued-added process in preserving the strawberries. Value-added

means taking a raw agricultural product and altering its form by adding ingredients or creating a new product to enhance its value. Mayla and Rosie will make strawberry jam.

WCSHC encourages individuals, families, churches and communities to get involved in growing their own garden. This could reduce your food bill and help you take control of your health by consuming locally grown vegetables and fruits. Gardening will provide exercise for your body and solitude for your mind. This will be your opportunity to join Winston County Self Help Cooperative’s efforts to help save rural America. If you want to learn more about home gardens, you should contact your local county extension office. Also visit wshc.com or call 601.291.2704.



Tigers get bye in first round, get the win over Grace Christian

By Robbie Robertson
Winston County Journal

After winning the District 6-1A championship, the Noxapater Tigers got a bye week in the first round of the Class 1A playoffs.

The Tigers finished off the regular season with a 17-5 win over

Grace Christian.

The Tigers finished the regular season with a 21-3 record and got a first-round bye in the Class 1A playoffs. They will play Resurrection Catholic in the second round of the playoffs.

Noxapater 17,

Grace Christian 5

The Tigers started fast and cruised to a four-inning, run-rule win over Grace on Monday in their only action of the week.

Noxapater scored 12 runs in the first and followed with three in the second and two in the

fourth. Grace scored five runs in the third inning.

Noxapater had seven hits in the contest and took advantage of nine walks and six hit batters. Corbin Stapleton singled, walked twice, scored three runs and had three RBIs while

Logan Sanborn singled, scored twice and had three RBIs. Luke Reynolds singled and scored twice while Braxton Daugherty and Bryton Yates each singled and scored three runs.

The Tigers also had 12 stolen bases as

Stapleton had three steals. Bently Triplet and Sanborn each had two steals apiece.

Zach Lloyd started and pitched two innings without giving up a run while Stapleton and Kaden Holdiness each pitched for the Tigers.

Lady Warriors sweep Taylorsville in first round

By Robbie Robertson
The Winston County Journal

The Nanih Waiya Lady Warriors blew through the first round of the Class 1A playoffs last week.

The Lady Warriors hammered Taylorsville in the first round, winning 19-0 and 17-0 in a Friday doubleheader.

The Lady Warriors improve to 14-10 on the

season and will advance to second-round play this week and will take on East Marion.

Nanih Waiya 19, Taylorsville 0

The Lady Warriors needed just two innings to take a run-rule win over the Lady Tartars on Friday.

Nanih Waiya scored

all of its runs in the first inning.

The Lady Warriors only had five hits and drew 14 walks and had three hit batters. Aubrey Rives singled and drove in two runs while Emmalena Cotton singled and scored twice. Hayden Anderson also singled and scored twice while Kayla Blanton scored

two runs and had three RBIs.

Addison Price pitched both innings and gave up just one hit and struck out two to get the win.

Nanih Waiya 17, Taylorsville 0

The Lady Warriors again needed just two innings and took a one-hit shutout over the Lady Tartars.

Nanih Waiya scored 13 in the first inning and four in the second.

Nanih Waiya had eight hits as Emma Dickerson was 2-for-2 with two runs scored while Anna Grace Rigdon doubled and had two RBIs.

Emmalena Cotton singled, scored three runs and had three RBIs while Addison Snow

singled, walked twice and scored three runs. Addison Price singled and had three RBIs while Jade Chandler singled and had two RBIs. Kayla Blanton also scored two runs for the Lady Warriors.

Snow pitched both innings for Nanih Waiya and gave up just one hit and one walk while striking out four.

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Lady Tigers season end against Enterprise-Lincoln

By Robbie Robertson
Winston County Journal

The Noxapater Lady Tigers saw their season come to an end last week.

After beating French Camp 15-5 to close out the regular season, the Lady Tigers lost two straight, falling 16-0 and 11-1 to Enterprise.

Noxapater ends the season with a 5-13 record.

Noxapater 15,

French Camp 5

The Lady Tigers scored in every inning and took a five-inning, run-rule win over the Lady Panthers.

Each team scored two runs in the first inning while Noxapater scored five in the second, one in the third, four in the fourth and finished with three in the fifth. French Camp added three in the fourth for the final margin.

Noxapater had 11 hits

in the contest as Karlee Sullivan was 3-for-3 with a double and two RBIs. Bailey Prisock was 3-for-3 with two RBIs while Emma Cremeen was 2-for-4 with a double and two runs scored. Kenzie Harrell was 2-for-4 with a double and three RBIs while Isabella Richardson, Aliyah McCool and Ayla Ryals each scored two runs.

Richardson pitched 4 1/3 innings and got the

win, giving up five runs on three hits and five walks to get the win.

Enterprise 16, Noxapater 0

The Lady Tigers didn't have a hit as the Lady Yellowjackets took a five-inning, run-rule win on Thursday.

Enterprise scored five in the first, one in the second, six in the third and four in the fourth.

The Lady Tigers drew just one walk and

had one batter hit.

Isabella Richardson pitched all four innings and gave up 16 runs with just six earned on 13 hits and one walk.

Enterprise 11, Noxapater 1

The Lady Yellowjackets scored seven runs in the first inning and cruised to a five-inning, run-rule win to sweep the series.

Noxapater had four hits and scored one run

in the fifth.

Isabella Richardson, Corabella Papalambros, Bailey Prisock and Summer Meridith each singles.

Richardson started in the circle and pitched four innings and gave up 10 runs on nine hits and three walks while Karlee Sullivan came in and pitched the last inning.

Warriors season comes to end after first round against Stringer

By Robbie Robertson
Winston County Journal

The Nanih Waiya baseball team saw its season come to an end last week in the first round of the Class 1A playoffs.

The Warriors lost two straight to Stringer, falling 8-6 on Friday and 15-3 on Saturday.

The Warriors finish the season with a 12-13 record.

Eupora 22, Nanih Waiya 12

The Warriors weren't able to hold onto an early lead as the Eagles scored the last 12 runs of the game to take a six-inning win.

Eupora led 5-0 before Nanih Waiya scored seven runs in the bottom of the second. Each team then scored one the third and four in the fourth before Eupora scored nine in the fifth and three in the sixth.

Each team had nine hits but the Warriors committed eight errors and walked nine. Caleb Dewberry was 2-for-3 with two walks and two RBIs while Daniel Starnes was 2-for-2 with two walks and two runs scored. Sanjiya Hickman was 2-for-4 with a double while Kaleb Davis doubled and had three RBIs. Preston Prewitt also doubled and scored two runs.

Brooks Adcock started and pitched two innings, giving up five runs on three hits. Caden McDaniel

Stringer 8, Nanih Waiya 6

The Red Devils took an early lead and held on to take a two-run win over the Warriors on Friday.

Stringer scored five in the first and three in the sixth while Nanih Waiya scored one in the second and sixth and finished with four in the seventh.

The Warriors had nine hits, led by Kaleb Davis who was 3-for-4 with two home runs, three runs scored and four RBIs while Sanjiya Hickman was 2-for-4 with a double.

Kade Massey started on the mound and went two innings, giving up five run-on four hits and three walks while Brycen Brewer pitched the last four innings and gave up three runs on four hits while striking out six.

Stringer 15, Nanih

Waiya 3

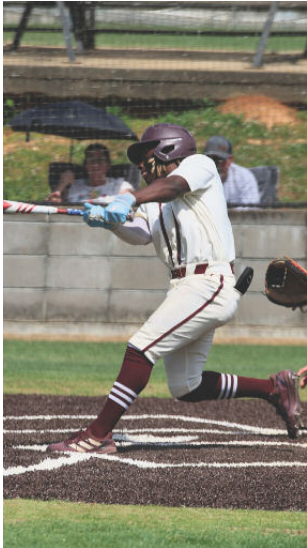
The Red Devils started fast and finished strong and took a 12-run win over the Warriors on Saturday to take the series.

Stringer scored four in the first, two in the second and finished with nine in the fourth. Nanih Waiya scored one the first and two in the fourth.

The Warriors outit the Red Devils 8-6 but committed seven errors and walked five. Kade Massey was 2-for-3 with a home run while Kaleb Massey doubled. Caleb Dewberry and Briceton Boler each singled and drove in a run.

Brooks Adcock started on the mound and pitched three innings and gave up nine runs with only four earned on two hits and three walks.

Caden McDaniel and Davis came in and pitched the last inning.





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Wildcats fall to New Albany in first round

By Robbie Faulk
Winston County Journal

Year one as a head coach was an eye-opening experience for Dalton Luke.

A former Nanih Waiya standout, Luke also got to learn on the job as a head man inside the same county that helped him become the player, coach and person that he is. The Louisville Wildcats certainly have had a hill to climb to get back to competitive baseball in the last few years, but Luke's goal

is to help them get there.

"The biggest thing that I took away was learning how to interact and coach different styles of kids and the importance of developing relationships with everyone," Luke said of his first season. "I thought it went really well. By the end of the year, our kids were invested in what we were doing and the community showed up and supported us."

There were certainly some milestones for

Luke in year one. His first win back on February 21 came against his former head coach in Tyler Rogers and the Warriors. A couple of weeks ago, the Wildcats were able to clinch a playoff spot when they had a dominant 14-0 victory over district foe Greenwood.

LHS finished out the season this past week taking on a strong, district championship team in New Albany. The Bulldogs took a 13-3 win on Thursday before finishing off the

Wildcats on Friday with a 13-2 win.

It was a tough way to finish a 7-17 season for the Wildcats, but Luke was happy with the growth his team made every game and every week.

"From week one to where they ended up, I was extremely pleased," Luke said. "Every day they showed up and had the hardhat on and went to work. They really learned how to compete and get 21 outs."

Luke and his team

set a solid foundation in his first season, and now it's time to build.

Kaydon White will be a big piece that the team has to replace, but almost everyone returns in 2026. Josh Ammons is the biggest piece with his .516 batting average as a junior. He had 33 hits with seven doubles, one triple and one home run and he stole 15-of-17 bases. Ammons also was a starter for the pitching staff.

Along with Ammons returning is Mitchell

Turner. The team's top pitcher, Mitchell is also a .469 batter. Those two will be a solid nucleus in which Luke builds his team.

"I'm really excited with what we have returning," Luke said. "It really hurts losing the seniors that we've lost, but I've got everyone else coming back, the middle of the order and both of my starters back on the mound. We're going to have a lot of summer work and the biggest thing is getting those guys reps."

Patriots get win over Kirk Academy, move on to round two

By Robbie Faulk
Winston County Journal

Week one of the playoffs came and went for the Winston Academy Patriots and the baseball team is moving on to round two.

After just finishing short of the district championship, WA matched up with Kirk Academy in round one of the playoffs last week. The Pats won a pitching duel in game one and then took care of business in the second matchup on the way to the two-game

sweep.

In the first matchup on the road in Grenada, Jonah Hood took the mound and had a big challenge ahead of him. Hood came out and threw a complete game as he scattered six hits and gave up just one run while walking two batters and striking out three in a 2-1 victory.

Hood held the Raiders scoreless for the first five innings as he got a 2-0 lead. After surrendering a run in the bottom of the fifth,

Hood would pitch the final two innings without a run to get the complete-game victory.

WA was out-hit 6-4 in the win with Holder Tidwell delivering the only multi-base hit for the Pats with a double. Tripp Hill walked twice in a game where offense was at a premium.

As the two teams moved to Louisville for game two, the bats would come alive for WA. The Pats built a huge 8-0 lead with three runs in the sec-

ond and another three in the sixth and a three-run seventh inning by Kirk was of no consequence as WA won 8-3 to move on to the second round.

WA had nine hits this time around and three different players had two hits. Reed Yates and Hood both finished with multiple hits and two RBI with Yates getting a home run and Hood a triple. Owen Woodward finished with two hits and an RBI double. Hill reached base three times including walking twice again and

driving in a run.

Along with Yates delivering the big knock on the home run, he was lights out for the first six frames. Yates pitched a total of 6.1 innings before being lifted from the game and he gave up six hits and three runs with no walks and three strikeouts. All three of his runs came in the final frame before he gave way to Jayson McMillin to close the game out with the final two outs.

With the win behind them, WA (19-9) has a massive challenge

ahead in round two. The Manchester Mavericks (27-9) also finished second in their district but have had a huge season on the diamond. Manchester also beat the Pats earlier this season when it knocked off WA 15-3 back on March 12.

The two teams began the series on Tuesday night on the road in Yazoo City with game two on Thursday if weather had permitted. Game three was to be played following the second game at TJ Jennings Field.

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