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Two Wayne County defenders make a tackle against West Jones quarterback Dusty Cook Friday night in Soso. Photo/James Pugh

Wayne County holds on to beat West Jones, 10-6

By James Pugh

The start of the Shelton Gandy era nearly turned into a night of regrets. Poor clock management on offense handed West Jones the ball deep within Wayne County territory and 11. 6 seconds on the clock to spare.

Defense was the theme for both teams Friday night as the two rivals opened the MHSAA 2018 football season in Soso. But it was Wayne County's defense that kept West Jones from pulling an upset as its two attempts to reach the end zone fell incomplete, and the Shelton Gandy era began with a 10-6 War Eagle win.

Gandy was named head football coach at Wayne County in the offseason after its former head coach Todd Mangum retired.

Watch the video below to hear head coach Shelton Gandy's post-game comments and highlights:

Two field goals by West Jones kicker and Ole Miss commit Walker Thompson - a 27-yard shot late in the third quarter and a 36-yard boot early in the fourth - put Wayne County in comeback mode.

After a big kickoff return by Kelnevious Walley put the Wayne County near midfield, the offense found some rhythm, even converting on fourth and four with a six-yard gain to keep the ball moving in the right direction. Several plays later, quarterback

WEEK 2 GAME PREDICTIONS & MORE PHOTOS ON P. 5.

Zhakerreun Wesley rushed in the end zone from three-yards out to give Wayne County the lead - and eventually the win. It was the only offensive touchdown on the night.

Wayne County's only other score was a 31-yard field goal in the first quarter. It turned out to be the only score by either team in

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Robin Robinson & Sam Britton ——invite you to join——

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HANDBAGS and HIGH HEELS

My favorite time of year is quickly approaching! No, it's not Shark Week. That already happened, and it and was awesome. I'm talking about football season - the time of tailgates, touchdowns and, for me, cowbells.

I have always been a huge sports fan. In high school, I remember watching the 1995 Atlanta Braves games with my brother, William. We would watch for hours, writing down lineups and player stats, and following the iconic rookie season of Chipper Jones that culminated in a World Series win.

My love for football didn't come until a little later in my life. When I was enrolled in Mississippi State, I only went to a handful of games. Several years later, something changed in me that made me the faithful, and sometimes obnoxious, fan I am today.

My mom laughs at me, because I have shirts for every team that I follow, and I wear them religiously on game day.

For the sake of this column, counted last night and found that I have 19 different Mis-



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sissippi State shirts and one jersey. And, yes, I have one Southern Miss shirt. Unless State and USM are playing each other, I wish nothing but the best for my local team.

I also have a plethora of Atlanta Braves shirts and, of course, a Chipper jersey. My Orleans last year for the Saints/ Patriots game. He is a die-hard Saints fan and forbid me from wearing any Patriots gear. As a compromise, I borrowed a #12 Margues Colston Saints jersey from my sister-in-law. For those of you who don't know, Tom Brady is also #12.



husband is a huge Braves fan, so we try to get to Atlanta at least once a year for a game. We are actually headed over there this weekend for a very rare occasion – it is Mississippi State Night at Suntrust Park. A portion of the ticket sales go to the Bulldog Club scholarship

I was subliminally cheering for both teams through my outfit choice. William was not

I don't buy into the idea that tailgate and/or game day outfits have to be fancy. Local boutiques sell a lot of dresses, skirts and tops in college colors

THE LAST TAILGATE I WENT TO LOOKED LIKE A RUNWAY SHOW. WITH MY RIPPED JEANS AND DAK PRESCOTT JERSEY, IT WAS DEFINITELY NOT A SHOW I WOULD'VE BEEN INVITED TO ...

fund, and they are selling a special MSU/Braves co-branded baseball hat. I have a feeling we will come home with three of those.

NFL Sundays can get complicated, as I have three teams I cheer for – the New Orleans Saints (obviously), the Dallas Cowboys (thanks to Dak Prescott), and the New Eng-

land Patriots. That last one started about 10 years ago as a crush on Tom Brady and grew into an actual following. Whether I will still be a fan after he retires is a question for another year. I have shirts and/or jerseys for all three teams, and I change throughout the day as each team plays. The real conundrum comes when they play at the same time, or heaven forbid, play each other.

William and I went to New

for game days. Honestly, the idea of wearing a dress to a football game sounds awful to me. As much as I love fashion, I just can't get behind the idea that game day is the time to parade around in skirts and 5-inch heels. But to each their own, right? The boutiques obviously know their markets, because the game day clothes fly off the shelves. The last tailgate I went to looked like a runway show. With my ripped ieans and Dak Prescott jersey, it was definitely not a show I would've been invited to, but that didn't hinder my ability to cheer and ring my cowbell as loud as humanly possible.

Emily Hall is the Fashion Columnist for the Impact. She apologizes to anyone who has to sit next to her at a sporting event, especially when the Bulldogs are playing.



The new teachers for Mason Elementary, Oak Park Elementary, Maddox Elementary and Nora Davis Magnet were recently welcomed to the Laurel School District. Pictured: (front L-R) Clarene Holcomb, Oak Park language and social studies; Chelsea Evans, Mason kindergarten; Ashley Hite, Maddox second grade; (back L-R) Lacey Stringer Mills, Oak Park library media specialist; Cassandra Bush, Maddox kindergarten and Nan Herrington, Mason kindergarten. Photo/sub-



The new teachers for Laurel Middle School and Laurel High School were recently welcomed to the Laurel School District. Pictured: (front L-R) Krystal Wise, LHS science; Markeesa Ulmer, LHS library media specialist; Monique Eckles-Banks, LMS seventh grade math; Amelia Mosley, LMS sixth grade English language arts; (back L-R) April Chanta Cole, LMS sixth grade math; James E Hodges, LMS eighth grade English; Diane Beavers, LMS sixth grade math and Suzanne Ford, LMS special education. Photo/submitted

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The Story Teller: Grandpappy didn't want to lose his cornbread maker

By Martha McCarty



"Papa, is our grand-pappy still mad at you? Does he really not like you, Papa? Why would he feel that

way?" Little Sam was truly convinced and concerned. He was looking back and forth between his father at the table and his mamma at the cook stove. And then he saw the smile she sent his father's way.

"No, son, I don't think he's still so mad at me, but he once was not so happy with me either, and that's a fact." Shane McDougal was enjoying teasing his son.

Kate spoke up, asking her own question of her father. "Well, Papa, you may as well tell him what you've told me before. Go ahead and tell him how you stole our mama."

"Did you do that, Papa? Did you steal our mama?" His eyes were almost as big as the plate on the table before him, and both ears were right in tune with his father's tale.

All the while Caroline was trying not to laugh out loud. She too was enjoying the suspense of the story and was trying not to overcook the bacon in her skillet.

"Well, son, I had told the man that I loved his daughter and that I wanted to marry her, but he had told me "no." He didn't want her leaving home, and he wasn't gonna' let me have her. So, I had no choice. I had to steal her from him!" And as he had said that, he had leaned across the table and was looking seriously into the puzzled face of the young boy.

"Papa, why couldn't she leave? Mama," he said, as he twisted on the bench to face his mother, "What happened then?" he asked her.

"Sam, your grandpappy is a good size man, if you can remember how big he is. And it's butterbeans and cornbread that got the man that way. Your mama is a mighty fine cook, and he especially liked her cornbread. It wasn't so much that he didn't like me, but he didn't want to lose his cook! He wasn't gonna let me run off with his cornbread maker!"

"Now tell him what ya'll did, Papa. How you and Mama got away!

Tell him about the mules," she added. "And tell him how her brothers chased you."

By this time Caroline had finished cooking and was putting the plates of biscuits and bacon on the table. She turned to Kate and asked, "Honey, will you get that jug of syrup from the pantry and

get the butter while you're up as well. We can be eating while your little brother here is getting his all-important family history lesson," she laughingly said.

The child didn't know whether to laugh out loud or believe that his parents had done something mean to his grandfather. He sat there with confusion on his face trying to figure out the deal.

His father continued, "Well,

had introduced himself to the man. But what he had done was that he asked for permission to sing when the sermon was over. And that he did. And you children know what a fine voice your papa has. Well he got my attention, for sure. I had never heard anyone sing as he did that morning, nor have I heard such again, unless it's him who sings again." She had reached across the table for his hand and was

I THOUGHT I'D NEVER BEFORE SEEN SUCH A PRETTY LASS AND I WANTED TO MEET HER. SO, I WENT TO CHURCH MYSELF THAT MORNING TOO.

you see, son, I had planned all along to come here to Kingston Village to hire on at the mill, and I figured if I had a good pair of mules to bring with me, they'd hire me to get to use my mules. So I had the mules with me when I got to Little Scotland where your mama's family lived. I saw her the day I rode into the settlement, and I made sure she saw me as well. She was there by the little Presbyterian Church with her family, and they were going in to the morning service when I rode up. I thought I'd never before seen such a pretty lass and I wanted to meet her. So. I went to church myself that morning too."

He was getting off the subject, as his mind and his eyes drifted across the table and make contact with Caroline's; so, Kate drew him back. "Papa, tell him how ya'll later got away on the mules. That's what was so funny."

He smiled at Caroline and reached for a slice of bacon as he said, "I'll have to tell this to get to that part later on, Kate." And turning back to Sam, he said, "Now Little Scotland is called that because so many Scots settled there back in the 30's. But their church and its preachers had such a good reputation that I had decided to stop off there on my way here, and that why I was there that Sunday morning."

"Papa, how did you get Mama's attention?" he asked. "'Cause I know you didn't do anything silly in church. You sure won't let us be silly in church, so I know you didn't do that either. Now did you?"

Caroline had been so enjoying her husband's recalling and relating the events of their having met, and she couldn't help but add her own thoughts. "No Sam, he didn't do anything silly. Quite the contrary. Just before the service started, he went up to the front and spoke to the minister. I saw him do that and just figured he, a stranger,

gently holding it as she finished talking.

Little Sam said, "Yea, you do sing pretty good, Papa. What did you sing that morning? About your yeller dog or about your mules?"

Everybody had a good laugh then, and Mama said, "Sam, he sang about God's Amazing Grace, and I couldn't find a dry eye in that crowd when church was over. I do believe that if we could have looked into Heaven, Jesus himself would have been wiping his eyes! It was that pretty!"

"Now Caroline," Shane said,
"it wasn't all that, but, Sam, I
did get an invite to go have
Sunday dinner with your mama's family, and I got to see
what your grandpappy meant
by her being the best cook in
the county."

"Sam," Mama told, "he spent the afternoon with my family and visited with my daddy and brothers all the while. He told them that he was headed here for work, but he agreed to stay a few days to help my brothers get a plot of ground plowed. He did have those mules, you know.

Well, by the end of those few days, he'd plowed that ground and planted a garden, but he'd also won my heart. He asked me to marry him and to come here with him, and I said that I would, but my daddy said that I couldn't."

"Because he liked your cornbread?" the child asked.

"That's right, son," laughed Shane. "He liked that bread, and he liked his daughter too. So he told me that she couldn't go."

"But you stole her anyway? Did you really do that when her daddy had told you not to?" Shane was talking himself into a bind now. He was telling his child that it must be alright to disobey in such a circumstance. He realized he'd best finish this tale and get the boy's mind elsewhere quickly.

"Sam, Grandma Polly can cook, so Papa wasn't really taking his only cook away," remarked Kate to her little brother. "Granddaddy didn't know Papa very well, and he didn't want Mama to go off with someone he didn't know much about."

"So what about the mules, Mama? Oh, I bet I know!" And he turned to his father with, "Papa, you traded that pair of mules for my mama, didn't you?"

Shane nearly choked on his bacon and had to spit it out into his napkin to keep from doing so. "No, son. I did not not do that. I loved those mules too much for that! But, I did sit your mama on one and myself on the other, and we slipped off early one morning just before milking time, and I didn't even take my wagon. So I guess I traded my wagon for my cook.!"

At this, even Caroline was too tickled to talk! It was a few minutes before she could compose herself to finish the story.

"Honey, my Papa told us later that he was gonna' send my brothers to get me, because they knew where we were headed, but they convinced him that I'd be alright, and they did have the wagon; so, they didn't come for me right away. It was a few weeks later that Papa and Mama came to Kingston Village to check on me. Mama had said, and Papa had agreed with her, that a man who would sing unto the Lord like your papa had done must truly love the Lord and that I would be alright with him."

"So, Sam, we got married as soon as we got here, and we've been here ever since. And that was over fifteen years ago now, hasn't it Caroline?" Shane said. And as he took her hand back into his own, he added, "And we're gonna' live happily ever after too, aren't we sweet girl?

An episode from Pintifours and Petticoats/ Laurel's Forgotten Beginnings to be released by Mattie Mason Press in the winter of 2018-2019.



Awards Chairperson Patty Mapp and Woman of the Year Barbara Foley. Photo/submitted

Foley named WOY at Gamma Iota awards banquet

Gamma lota, the local chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha (ESA), recently held their 46th annual awards banquet.

The highlight of the evening was the presentation of the top five nominees for Woman of the Year 2017-2018. The nominations are based on total points for their work in Gamma lota and the community, as well as positions held as elected or appointed officers. It is an honor to be nominated, and a special honor to be selected by their Gamma lota sisters as the winner. Patty Mapp, Awards Chairperson, presented beautiful roses to the nominees: Chris French, Barbara Foley, Billie Mapp and Louise Stewart. Also nominated, but not present was Judy Pilgrim. The Woman of the Year 2017-18 is Barbara Foley.

The Jackie Odom Love Award was presented to Billie Mapp, the member with the most hours on philanthropic projects.

The Billie Mapp St. Jude Award for the Gamma lota member.

The Billie Mapp St. Jude Award for the Gamma Iota member with the most work for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital was presented to Barbara Foley.

In recognition of her dedication to Gamma lota and her service to others, Ginny Gough proudly accepted her 15 year Service pin.

Epsilon Sigma Alpha (ESA) members excel in community education, volunteerism and philanthropy. The members of Gamma lota's Annual Report totaled over \$242,000 – which included cash monies, donated goods and mileage converted to dollars. They had over 500 total volunteer hours. Each year their largest project is the Jackson area Dream Home Give-a-way for the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Support also goes to other causes at the local, national, and international level.



Foley, and Louise Stewart. Photo/submitted



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AUGUST 22

Pleasant Valley UM Church invites you to "An Evening with Bishop James Swanson, Sr." This special evening is Wednesday, August 22 at 6:00 p.m. Come to meet the bishop plus enjoy The Mass Choir and good community fellowship. For more information on the choir rehearsal schedule and to confirm your attendance and participation in the choir, contact Gloria W. Pugh at 601-913-0278.

Southern Civitan will host their monthly meeting Thursday, August 23 at noon – 1:00 p.m. at The Laurel Country Club, 2011 Highway 84, Laurel. Guest speaker will be Katherine Parker, Youth Villages. Guests are welcome. Call 601-422-7575 for more information.

The West Jones class of 1969 invites all former teachers and classmates to come celebrate our coming 50th year class reunion at the August 24 football game at West Jones High School. We will meet at the west gate entrance and will have refreshments. Please come and be with us.

The Houston Road Boys will be in concert on Saturday, August 25 at Moss First Church of God. The gospel sing will begin at 7:00 p.m. The Gospel Strings will open the sing. No admission cost but a love offering will be taken. Directions from Laurel: Go up Highway 15 North toward Stringer, turn right onto Hwy. 537 just past the new Dollar General, and go two miles to red brick church.

Are you in need of a miracle? Join us for our Day of Healing sponsored by Sandra Hancock Ministries on Saturday, August 25 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at "The Gathering Place," 3227 Audubon Dr. in Laurel. For more information, call 1-800-579-7350 or see our webpage at www.sandrahancock.org.

The Jones County Genealogical and Historical Organization will meet August 25 (Saturday) at 10:00 a.m. at the Laurel Jones County Library, 530 Commerce Street. Guest speaker will be DeNiecehsi Layton, a member of the staff of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History in Jackson.

The David and Mary Craven Reunion will be held August 26 at Powers Community Center on Hwy. 184 East. We will begin at 11:00 a.m. Family and friends come and bring a well filled basket.

Sunlight MB Church will be having their Annual Fall Revival beginning on Sunday, August 26th at 11:00 a.m. Nightly services will start at 7:30 p.m. beginning on Monday, August 27th and go through Wednesday, August 29th. There will be a different guest speaker each night.

Everyone is invited to attend First Baptist Church of Myrick Homecoming/Old Fashion Day on Sunday, August 26. Sunday School begins at 9 a.m. and service to begin at 10:15 with dinner on the grounds after the service. Please make plans to attend and bring your favorite covered dish for a great day of preaching & eating. Nursery will be provided If you have any questions please call the church at 601-425-1037 or DiAnne Cooley 601-422-9863.

Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church, 1743 Hwy 29 N, Ellisville, invites you to our upcoming revival, August 26- August 30. Dr. Kenny Digby, the executive director of the Christian Action Commission. will be our evangelist for the week. Sunday services begin at 10 a.m. & 6 p.m., Weeknight services will begin at 7 p.m. Special music in each service. Nursery will be provided for every service. Please plan to come!

Blue Mountain MB Church Family of Bay Springs invite everyone to worship with them on Sunday, August 26, as they celebrate their pastor and first lady's 26-year anniversary. The celebration will begin at 1:30 p.m. with Dr. Billy McSwain, pastor of Second Baptist Missionary Church in Laurel, bringing the anniversary message. Rev. Emmitt Sullivan, associate pastor of Bible Way Baptist Church in Houston, TX, will be the speaker for the 11:00 a.m. worship services.

<u>AUGUST 27</u>

The Soso Seventh-day Adventist Church, located 134 Andy Road in Soso, will have a youth and adult week of prayer starting August 27 thru September 1. Services will start at 7:00 nightly. Our theme is "Keep it Lit." The guest speaker will be Pastor Roger Wade. Everyone is invited to come out and worship with us.

United Blood Services Laurel community blood drive will be held on August 28 at the Cameron Center, 711 North 10th Avenue, from 12:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m. All donors will receive a "Beat the Heat" t-shirt while supplies last. Schedule your appointment to donate at www.bloodhero.com or call 877-UBS-HERO. This will be your last chance to win a Dream Vacation (trip valued up to \$6000 and destination is the winner's choice).

AUGUST 30

Pub Theology to begin Thursday August 16 and Thursday, August 30 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Lee's Coffee and Tea, 409 Oak Street. Everyone is invited to join conversations about faith, philosophy, ethics, and ideas over a good beverage. All faiths and skepticisms are encouraged to add to the conversation to increase learning and understanding. Pub Theology is intended to be a safe space where no one need convince another, everyone is respected, and diverse opinions remain friends after meaningful discussion. Contact Information: Luke Ponder 601-577-6781.

SEPTEMBER 1

A Rummage Sale is being held August 30- September 1 at Big Creek Baptist Church. Times are 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Thursday and Friday and from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday.

I Am That I AM International Apostolic & Prophetic Ministry, 911 S. Magnolia St., Laurel, presents revival theme: "Preserve the Seed", Exodus 2:2. Services will be held Friday, August 31 & Saturday, September 1 at 7:00 p.m. with Sunday services on September 2 beginning at 3:00 p.m. The guest speaker will be Apostle and Prophetess Veronica Jude of the Streams of Life Faith Church in

There will be an old school gospel singing on September 1 at Wings of Deliverance #1, 231 North Pine, Laurel, beginning at 7:00 p.m. We are asking all groups, choirs, soloist and praise teams to come out and help us lift up the Name of Jesus. For more info, contact Jerry Boykins at 601-319-575.

New Jerusalem FG Church invites you to our Friends and Family Day on Sunday, September 2 beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the church sanctuary. Immediately following the service, we will have an oldfashioned picnic, food, fun and fellowship in the church parking

Blue Ridge UM Church invites you to our Revival September 2. Our first message will be given by Dr. C. Peyton at 11:30 a.m. and the second message given by Rev. Jessie Magee, pastor of Phalti MB Church, at 1:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church of Laurel will host a Precept Upon Precept Bible Study of the New Testament Epistle to the Colossians beginning Thursday, September 6 from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. This nineweek study will be led by Margie Hauenstein. An identical study will begin Monday, September 10 at 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. led by Danny West. For more information, please call Mr. or Mrs. Carey Hauenstein, administrators, at 601-428-4393.

SEPTEMBER 8

S.T.A.R.S. of Laurel presents a Denim & Pearls Affair on Saturday, September 8 at 8:00 p.m. at the Sanderson Farms Multipurpose Center on 127 Flynt Road, Laurel. The musical entertainment will be provided by DJ M. E. The cost is \$15 for singles and \$25 for

Pleasant Grove Moss MB Church Women Ministry presents our 12th Annual Women's Conference on Saturday, September 8 at 9:00 a.m. We will have some dynamic speakers and some great food. There will be a registration fee of \$15 for adults and \$6 for children 17 and under. You can pay at the door or in advance. If you are going to attend, please contact Dianne Carmichael at 601-729-2811 or Erma Newell at 601-381-7936.

Beginning Monday, September 10 at 5:15 p.m. in room #111 at First Baptist Church, Laurel, we are offering "GriefShare," a 13week helping and healing special help seminar and support group. Call Tina at the church office for more information: 601-649-5710.

Christian International is coming to Ellisville September 12-15. Bishop Bill Hamon's CI leadership team is coming to release the word of the Lord to you. This event will be held at Grace Covenant World Ministries, 100 Grace Lane, Ellisville, Pre-registration is required, visit www.christianinternational.com. For more information contact Lesia Wells at 601-319-3928.

New Jerusalem FG Church, Laurel, invites you to our Leaders Seminar starting Thursday, September 13 and going through Friday, September 14 at 6:00 p.m. The climax will be Mission Day on Sunday, September 15 at 3:30 p.m. The seminar speaker will be Dr. Coletta Jones, senior pastor of The Rock Church, Maryland. For more information call 601-283-0163.

SEPTEMBER 15

On Saturday, September 15, a benefit motorcycle run will be held for Anita Walley. The run will start at Union Grove Assembly of God Church on Union Road off Hwighway 42 between Richton and Sand Hill. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m., with free coffee and doughnuts while they last. Kickstands up at 10 a.m. Donation: \$25 for single rider and \$30 per couple, which includes rib eye steak sandwich lunch, water before and after the run, and raffle tickets with lots of great prizes. Anita, a 52-year-young mother of three and grandmother of five, went to the doctor on June 17 for shoulder pain. Eight days later she was diagnosed with stage four metastatic cancer. They have no health insurance, and her husband is now her full-time stay at home caregiver. Anita's medical expenses are in excess of \$100,000. This does not include the daily 80+ mile per day trips to Hattiesburg for treatment or her prescription medications. One hundred percent of the proceeds will go to Anita and her family. For more information contact Susanne Walley at 601-394-3321.

Community Clothes Closet & Chicken Dinner fundraiser, Mars Hill Baptist Church, 66 Mars Hill Road in Petal – You are invited to shop our free Community Clothes Closet open to the public at the fellowship hall on September 15 from 7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. This is a project of the Mars Hill Ladies Ministry Missions & Outreach. For additional information contact Annette Wiley, coordinator, 601-381-0092, or Maxine Patterson, 769-223-3239.

Heart Walk set for September 29 at JCJC

Jones County residents are expected to take steps to improve their heart health Saturday, September 29 when they participate in the 2018 Jones County Heart Walk at Jones County Junior Col-

The annual event, which raises funds to fight cardiovascular diseases and stroke, America's No. 1 and No. 5 killers, begins at 7:30 a.m. The fundraising goal for this event is \$72,000. This non-competitive, three-mile walk includes teams of employees from local companies, along with friends and family members of all ages.

The 2018 Jones County Heart Walk will feature a Kids Zone so the public is encouraged to bring the entire family.

Each day, nearly 2,400 Americans die from a cardiovascular disease. That's an average of one death every 37 seconds. The Heart Walk is designed to help participants understand this critical message, join with others, and generate a renewed commitment to heart-healthy living through walking.

For more information, visit www.jonescountyheartwalk.org or on Facebook at American Heart Association - Mississippi.

Indoor air quality affects asthma

Did you know that, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, more than 25 million Americans, including roughly seven million children, have asthma? It's true, and those numbers have steadily risen in recent years.

Asthma is more than occasional wheezing or feeling out of breath during physical activity. Asthma is chronic and can lead to coughing, wheezing, shortness of breath, fast breathing, and chest tightness, states the Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America. In the 21st century, people spend significant time indoors at home, school or work, and indoor air environments could be triggers for asthma. Improving indoor air quality can help people breathe clearly. The AAFA notes that the following agents can adversely affect indoor air quality, potentially triggering asthma

Allergens such as mold, dust mites, pet dander and fur, and waste from insects or rodents thrive in many homes. Ensuring indoor air quality is high can cut back on the amount of allergens in the air. People with asthma can invest in an air purifier and vacuum regularly, being sure to use a HEPA-equipped appliance. Routinely replacing HVAC system filters can help prevent allergens from blowing around the house. Also, frequent maintenance of

HVAC systems will ensure they are operating safely and not contributing to poor indoor air quality.

Mold can be mitigated by reducing moisture in a home. Moist environments

STUDIES HAVE INDICATED THAT **SMOKE COMPOUNDS CAN ADSORB ONTO SURFACES AND** THEN DESORB BACK INTO AIR **OVER TIME.**

in the kitchen and bathroom may promote mold growth. Ventilation is key to keep mold at bay.

Thirdhand smoke, or THS, may be unfamiliar to many people. A 2011 report published in Environmental Health Perspectives says THS is an invisible combination of gases and particles that can cling to clothing, cushions, carpeting, and other materials long after secondhand smoke has cleared from a room. Studies have indicated that residual nicotine levels can be found in house dust where people smoke or once smoked. Studies have indicated that smoke compounds can adsorb onto surfaces and then desorb back into air over time. Keeping tobacco smoke out of a home can improve indoor air quality and personal health.

Volatile organic compounds, or VOCs, are gases released from commonly used products. These can include paints and varnishes, cleaning supplies, air fresheners, new furniture, and new carpet. People with asthma may find that VOCs can trigger attacks. Airing out items, reducing usage of products that are heavily scented and choosing low- or no-VOC products can help. Making cleaning products from baking soda, vinegar and liquid oil soap also can keep indoor air quality high.

Homeowners who plan to renovate their homes can consider using the appropriate specifications for HVAC systems to promote good indoor air, as well as address any other potential problems that may be compromising indoor air quality.





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Long hair, mostly white with blackish markings

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Laurel looking for payback for South State title loss

By Kevin Williamson

LAUREL AT HATTIESBURG: Let me punch up some numbers on my football calculator here . . . 20-14 equals a loss by Laurel to Hattiesburg in Week 2 of 2017 and 33-22 equals a loss in Laurel's last game of 2017 . . . also to Hattiesburg. That football math just doesn't add up too nicely for the Golden Tornadoes. But wait! We can erase those numbers off our football chalkboard, because those two games occurred last year. It's a new year with a clean slate in this old rivalry!

There is nothing that can remove the sting of a loss on the gridiron like a victory. Laurel will have a chance to avenge those two 2017 losses this weekend when they take I-59 down to the Hub City on Friday night and tangle with the Tigers. In their opener this past Friday against Jackson Callaway, the Tornadoes looked impressive. The offense was explosive (whew, that Michael Terrell is good!), and the defense was passing out more licks than the owner of an ice cream stand running a special

Hattiesburg was impressive too, turning back Petal, 35-26, on Saturday. Everyone around the Pine Belt knows that when you knock off a Marcus Boyles coached team, you've accomplished something. That's just what HHS did on Saturday, racing to the win behind QB Jarod "Snoop" Connor, who totaled over 300 yards of offense, including four touchdowns. Connor, who is committed to play college football at Memphis next year, will be a colossal challenge for the Laurel defense. If the Tornadoes can contain him, their chances of pulling off a "mild" upset go way up. Laurel is good, and they will play hard, but containing Mr. Connor & The Tigers Offense for four quarters might be asking a tad too much of this LHS defense. The Little Brown Jug stays in Hattiesburg.

Hattiesburg - 28, Laurel - 24

SOUTH JONES AT HANCOCK: The Braves found the going tough against Sumrall, losing 36-7 at home. Don't read too much into that final score, as Sumrall is poised to have a good year in their 7-4A region. South Jones fans shouldn't be disheartened, just patient, as this team gains some experience. Sometimes one season forms the building blocks for the next one. The Braves are stacking some blocks in 2018 for the future, but you can expect them to get a little better each week this year and probably pull off an upset or two they shouldn't.

Hancock opened the 2018 season with a tough 10-7 win over Pearl River Central. The momentum that comes from winning a nail-biter will aid in propelling the hosts over the Braves.

Hancock - 31, South Jones - 14

NORTHEAST JONES AT WEST JONES: The Tigers represented themselves well in a close loss to the defending 2A state champs – the 2A state champs who returned one of the top QBs in the Mississippi high school ranks. Even though they lost, NEJ fans have to be encouraged by the NEJ defense standing tall against such a potent passing attack. And although Ty Keyes came into the game as one of the state's premier signal-callers, and deservedly so, NEJ's quarterback, Javier Magee, almost stole the show. Magee accounted for three scores, and he brings a spark to the Tigers' offense that other teams will have to figure out how to snuff out.

West Jones, on the other hand, is looking for some offensive sparks. It's hard to judge the offensive aptitude of the Mustangs after just one game, especially when that one game was against perennial 5A powerhouse Wayne County . . . the War Eagles defense has the ability to make most offenses they play look dull. We will have a better idea of what the West Jones offense has under its hood after this Friday, and I think there is a bigger engine there than most think. Look for the Mustangs to crank out some yardage and points Friday, and they will need every point as NEJ will show up to play.

Mustangs - 24, Tigers - 22

STRINGER AT CLARKDALE: The Red Devils got off to a stumbling start against a strong Bay Springs squad opening week. Look for Stringer to right the ship this week. Don't let their week one loss fool you – the Red Devils will be a force to be contended with in 1A before this year is over.

Stringer - 35, Clarkdale - 13

BAY SPRINGS AT PHILADELPHIA: Ever heard of Lideatrick Griffin? If you're a Bay Springs fan, you probably won't forget him after Friday night. Griffin is an explosive player, and the Philly coaches may ine him up at a number of positions, including receiver, QB and running back. If the Bulldogs can keep him bottled up, all is good. If he gets the ball in his hands out in space, watch out! Homefield advantage will give the Tornadoes the edge.

Philadelphia - 21, Bay Springs - 20

WINSTON ACADEMY AT SYLVA-BAY: This 2018 season might be a year in which Sylva-Bay makes another deep run into the playoffs. Very few people saw the Saints opening night thrilling win over Tri-County coming. That was a statement game for SBA, but it doesn't get any easier this Friday. Longtime nemesis Winston Academy rolls into town. The 3A Patriots downed Newton Academy last week and will be looking to put Sylva-Bay in their place. That "placement" won't be so easy.

Sylva-Bay - 20, Winston - 14



West Jones DE Detorurean Crosby (34) tries to tackle Wayne County quarterback Zhakerreun Wesley (3) Friday night in Soso. Photo/James Pugh

Mustangs drop close game from P. 1

Neither squad managed a lot of offensive yards. Wayne County ended the night with 127, while West Jones totaled just 84 yards.

Shelton was proud of the way his team held West Jones to no third-down conversions in 12

West Jones fumbled the ball six times, recov-

ering all but one. But its trouble holding on the ball kept them behind the chains most of the

Wayne County (1-0) will host Oak Grove at home next Friday night.

West Jones stays home once again to face county rival Northeast Jones.

Kickoffs are slated for 7 p.m.



Bay Springs running back Anson Windham (6) tries to avoid the tackle of a Stringer defender Thursday night in Stringer. See more sports at www.Sports601.com. Photo/James Pugh

Bulldogs win fifth straight Battle for the Bell meeting over Stringer

By James Pugh

Dan Brady and company retain the Battle for the Bell trophy for yet another year.

On a night where lightning halted the start of the 2018 MHSAA football season for two Jasper County rivals, nearly an hour and a half wait prolonged a fifth-straight win in the series by Bay

The Dawgs (1-0) dominated Stringer (0-1) on the Devil's home turf Thursday night, 39-6.

It was viewed as a highly anticipated matchup. Both teams are expected to make a decent run in its respected classification, but Bay Springs dominated the matchup from start to finish as it had for the previous four years.

Stringer managed to avoid a shutout though. With less than a minute to go in the game, a long kickoff return set the Devils up on Bay Springs' 1-yard line. Backup quarterback Jackson Parker pushed his way through on the subsequent play to gave Stringer six. Parker rolled out of the pocket on a two-point conversion attempt but failed to score as time expired.

Four different offensive players scored touchdowns for Bay Springs. Senior running back An-

son Windham led the Bulldogs in yards gained on offense with 55 on eight carries. A 27-yard run into Stringer territory by Windham set up Bay Springs' opening score. A face mask penalty on the play pushed the Bulldogs deeper down the field. Windham finished the drive several plays later on a 6-yard TD run.

Jamarious Hosey, Adrian Cole and Lemarcus Stubbs added to Bay Springs' lead with offensive

Special teams played a part in 13 of Bay Springs' 39 points. Derrien Lee found the end zone on a 70-yard second-half opening kickoff return, and senior Jatron Thigpen scooped up a fumble on a fake punt attempt by Stringer on the following drive to haul in six more points. The PAT attempt on the latter was no good.

Bay Springs is set to face Philadelphia in Week 2. Philadelphia – also a 2A school – is ranked as high as No. 2 in some 2A statewide polls. It will be a non-district contest.

Stringer will face another 2A team next week. The Red Devils travel to Clarkdale next Friday

See video highlights at www.Sports601.com.



West Jones wide receiver Antonie Kirk (19) tries to break the tackle of a Wayne County defender Friday night in Soso. See more at www.Sports601.com. Photo/James Pugh



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Jasper County +/- 87 Acres. This secluded property has many possibilities, and recently completed road construction makes it very accessible. It contains a mix of various aged natural hardwoods and pines, a creek on the north end offering a year-round water supply and an excellent internal road system. Located in Stringer School District, this tract would make a great home site or hunting camp. Priced to sell at \$168,000. For more info, call Marc 601-670-5429 Walley Properties, LLC or visit walleyproperties.com.

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Resales also have been more promising. The National Association of Realtors® says the median number of days a home was on the market in April 2017 reached a new low of 29 days. However, low supply levels did stanch existing home sales somewhat. By mid-2017, the market was a seller's market, with more people in the market for homes than properties available. But sales during that time were still outpacing sales figures from a year prior. In fact, in May 2017, home sales in Canada increased to their highest level in more than five years, according to the Canadian MLS® Systems.

Low interest rates on mortgages and more confidence in the economy has driven many people to make improvements to their existing homes. As is typical, the things homeowners are looking for in 2017 have evolved from years past. The following are some trends that are helping to steer the real estate market further.

*Smaller homes: Home sizes in the United States steadily increased for decades, eventually leading to an average of 2,453 square feet in 2014, according to U.S. Census figures. However, Realtor.com reported in 2015

that new construction homes have already begun to shrink by 40 square feet. There seems to be a slight trend toward more modest homes as people consider affordability and maintenance on larger properties. The National Association of Home Builders states buyers are now looking for smaller more livable homes with flexible floor plans, energy-efficient appliances and plenty of storage space.

*Matte finishes: Stainless steel and luster have been popular for years However, the next big thing is matte finishes on faucets, appliances and even in countertops. These less flashy finishes are prized for their warmth and elegance. While some high-end models with matte finishes have been available for several years, even less expensive models are now available.

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Southern Miss baseball set to hold four different camps in August and September

The Southern Miss baseball program returns with its 4th annual Father/Son camp set for Saturday, Aug. 25, as well as three different fall camps - Fall Instructional League, Hitting Under the Lights and Fall Showcase - at Pete Taylor Park/Hill Denson Field.

This Father/Son camp will provide an outstanding bonding opportunity for the parent and child while also learning the game of baseball and developing an understanding of key fundamentals in maximizing their child's full potential. Teaching areas will include pitching, hitting, catching, infield and outfield play. The goal of this one-day camp is to provide answers and training solutions to the questions that are most often asked by today's fathers and youth

Southern Miss Baseball Camps include specific and professional caliber instruction in all phases of the game including hitting, pitching, defense, and base-running. Camp counselors and staff will include the Southern Miss Baseball coaching staff, and current collegiate athletes along with a professional athletic trainer. The camp will run from 1-5 p.m., with check-in time starting at 12:15 p.m. The camp cost is \$100 (fee includes T-shirt for both child and parent and \$25 for each additional child) and is open to parents and their children entering kindergarten through 8th grade.

The Fall Instructional League Camp, which runs from Sept. 4-20, is a three-week, six-session camp that is open to high school players. It takes place each Tuesday and Thursday from 6-8 p.m.Space is limited to the first 60 campers. Both night sessions will consist of an instructional practice and games will also be played. Campers will be divided into four teams. Current Southern Miss players, staff and coaches will instruct and coach each team. On occasion, a guest speaker will address a camp session. The camp is open to those individuals entering 9th through 12th grade and the cost is \$225 per camper for all six sessions. Campers will receive a t-shirt (to be worn in games) and insurance for attending the camp.

The second camp is the Hitting under the Lights at The Pete Camp, running on four consecutive Monday nights from 6-8 p.m., beginning Sept. 17, and will consist of specific hitting mechanics, approach and other instruction related to the Southern Miss baseball hitting philosophy. This camp is designed for high school hitters to learn from current Golden Eagle coaches and players about the proper steps to being a successful hitter. It will include insurance and a t-shirt as players will benefit from learning proper techniques. mental process, and repetition. The camp is open to those individuals entering 9th through 12th grade and the cost is \$150 per camper or \$125 per camper who is also enrolled in the Fall Instructional

The final camp is the Fall Showcase Camp, Saturday, Nov. 10, at 12 noon, with sign-in beginning at 11 a.m. It provides a great opportunity for players ranging from high school freshman to junior col-

lege sophomores (junior college freshmen must be academic qualifier). Participants will be given a chance to have their skills toned by college coaches receive specific instruction to their defensive position, speed training to improve their 60 time, as well as hitting at Pete Taylor Park. Any pitcher who is a dual player will be able to participate at both positions. Each camper will receive a camp T-shirt. Lunch will not be provided. The camp will be limited to the first 100 applicants and the cost is \$155 per camper.

All camps during the fall will take place at Pete Taylor Park/ Hill Denson Field. Camp registration for all Southern Miss baseball camps can take place at www.southernmissbaseballcamps.com. Walk-ups are welcome. Our camps are open to any and all entrants limited only by number, age, grade level and/ or gender. For more information, contact Southern Miss assistant coach B.A. Vollmuth at 601-266-6542 or via email at bryan.vollmuth@usm.edu.



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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Sacred bull (Egyptian myth.)
- 5. One-time European money
- 8. Disfigure Polish city
- 13. Move quickly on foot
- 14. Landlocked West African country
- 15. Used in aromatherapy
- 16. The greatest of all time 17. Type of horse
- Volcanic craters
- 20. Type of graph (abbr.)
- Supporters 22. North and South are two
- Spread
- Adjusted 31. Vietnamese offensive
- 32. Nazi architect
- 33. Nigerian peoples
- 38. When you hope to get
- there 41. Ridicules
- 43. Allied Powers vs. Central Powers
- 45. Produce
- 47. Ancient kingdom near Dead Sea

- 49. Hebrew unit of liquid capacity
- 50. Type of sword
- 55. "Sin City" actress

59. One point north of

- Female reproductive 56. cells
- 57. Afflicted
- 60. Garland
- 61. Spiritual leader

northeast

- 62. Negative
- 63. Tooth caregiver
- 64. Cheek

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Form of "to be"
- 2. A hand has one
- 3. Thought 4. Physical body
- 5. Removes
- 6. One who perpetrates wrongdoing
- Make one
- 8. Kate and Rooney are two
- Ladd, "Shane" actor
- 10. Makes fun of 12. Space station
- 19. Satisfy
- 14. Gene

- 23. Livid
- 24. It comes after "et"
- 25. More (Spanish)
- 26. Electronic data processing
- 27. Buffer solution to separate DNA and RNA
- 28. Primate
- 29. Scattered
- 34. Evergreen tree
- 35. What engaged couples will say
- 36. Barbie's friend
- 37. Midway between south and southeast
- 39. A position from which progress can be made
- 40. Showed up 41. Insecticide
- 42. Type of milk
- 44. Verandas
- 45. Annoyingly talkative 46. Abba ___, Israeli politician
- 47. "Heat" director
- 48. Plant genus
- 51. Swiss river
- 52. Prejudice
- 53. Actor Idris
- 54. Freedom fighters (slang)



I am an rock star born in England on August 20, 1948. I quit my training as an accountant to become a musician. I was the vocalist and songwriter for an iconic rock group. I've been ranked the greatest lead singer of all time by readers of Rolling Stone magazine.

Answers on Page 15

MS Tobacco-Free Coalition participates in National Night Out Against Crime Kick-Off

The Mississippi Tobacco-Free Coalition of Forrest, Jones and Perry Counties participated in the National Night Out Against Crime Kick-Off held at the C.E. Roy Community Center in Hattiesburg. An interactive display board was available for attendees to view and information was distributed on the unfavorable effects of tobacco use and the dangers of secondhand smoke. For more information or to have a presentation by the coalition please contact, Wendy Magee, project director at 601-336-7212 or email wjm@nimk.org. The Mississippi Tobacco-Free Coalition of Forrest, **Jones and Perry Counties** is funded by a grant from the Mississippi State Department of Health.





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Babineaux recognized with Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal

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In taking delight in giving back to others, this man of dignity, courage and determination did not expect anything in return for his efforts. On Sunday, July 8 at the 1181st Deployment and Distribution Battalion unit in Meridian, Miss., CPT Jody P. Babineaux was the recipient of the Military Outstanding Volunteer Service medal.

He was awarded for his dedicated offering of his selfless services to others. He is being recognized for dedicating over 500 hours of community service by serving as the volunteer coach of the 13-15-year-old Little League Baseball players in the city of Laurel. His efforts enabled over 50 at risk youth to have an opportunity to have an enjoyable and positive experience within the Queensburg community.

CPT Babineaux landed the Chronicle 2014 Heroes Among Us Award in light of his outstanding dedication to community service. He was also awarded the 2014 MLK Educator of the year and the 2016 Little League Volunteer of the Year for tenacity of working with the children who thrived under his memorable and significant leadership abilities.

CPT Babineaux has set a superb positive example to students, youth and his fellow adults in the cities of Laurel and Meridian. While he performed his military duties with honor, he managed to help organize and oversee a Military 5K run to increase the awareness of the military unit in Meridian that resulted in over 50 participants along with motivating sponsors to raise funds for charitable causes.

He has been involved in the city of Laurel community for six years, working effort-lessly alongside of other community leaders in providing baseball programs and umpires training programs for youth and adult volunteers. His hours of selfless service to his community has positively affected his community's quality of life and improved



students and parent's morale for the city of Laurel. His contributions will be remembered for generations to come reflecting great credit upon himself, 1181st Deployment Distribution Support Battalion and the United States Army in which he proudly serves

He has strong beliefs in making sacrificing efforts to be all that he can be. The statement is supported by the many years he has invested in the military branches with countless awards, medals, certificates and honor. He recently returned to his home in Laurel from a nine-month deployment overseas where he served as the Commander in Bahrain, leading soldiers on successful missions. Currently he is preparing to resume his duty of being a special educational teacher in the Laurel School District this upcoming school term. In September 2018, he will assume the Commander position for the 1181st DDSB unit in Meridian.

Do we listen when God speaks?

By Dr. Bill Myers

Which decision should I make? Am I listening to God's wisdom? Am I open to advice? "Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisors they succeed." (Proverbs 15:22) Do you work, live with, or go to school with a "know-it-all"?

I'm sure we all do. It might possibly be us! As children of God, we should allow God to speak wisdom into our lives. When we quit listening to counsel because we feel we know everything and are smarter than everyone else, or choose to do things our way because



we're convinced we're right and everyone else is wrong, we cease to grow spiritually and mentally. Friends, every great CEO that desires for her company to prosper will surround themselves with a counsel of people who are smarter than she is. They have learned from experience the key to success is to listen to counsel before making final decisions.

The Holy Spirit is our counsel also! He will lead us into all "truth" (Jesus).

Jesus said, "I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Counselor to be with you forever-the Spirit of Truth." (John 14:16-17)

He (Holy Spirit) will speak to us 24/7, "if" we will listen. We have to make time with our Heavenly Father to pray and listen with a heart of thanksgiving. No one person knows everything. And no one says you have to follow others' advice, but it's wisdom to pray and listen before making major decisions.

I remember the ole' saying, "The older we get, the smarter our parents become" meaning as we get older and wiser, we recognize the wis-

In marriage, God joins two hearts to learn to work together, being each other's counsel and friend. If one of the partners makes all the decisions and does everything his/her way, it's not a real marriage. Couples should make decisions together. This will strengthen their relationship and marriage. I believe the biggest downfall of successful businessmen is the refusal to listen to counsel with an open mind. Pride says, "I'm smarter and know more than others." This is the root of failure with every former dictator throughout history. They'd get to a point in their life that they'd refuse to listen to advice.

dom our parents and teachers

had all along. We just didn't

recognize it at the time.

her." (Proverbs 8:10-11)

Let's rely on God for giving/teaching us His wisdom and counsel. Let's realize that He is the Potter and we are the clay. Yes, we need Him to mold us.

"Choose instruction

instead of silver, knowledge

rather than choice gold, for

wisdom is more precious

than rubies, and nothing you

desire can compare with

God provides counsel through prayer, and His Word (Bible). Let's listen...."If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him." (James 1:5)

given to him." (James 1:5)
God is speaking . . . are we listening?



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Jones will be fast, aggressive on defense in '18

By Shawn Wansley

JCJC Sports Information Di-

ELLISVILLE - The Jones County Junior College defense has been known for its aggressive play under thirdyear Defensive Coordinator Dwike Wilson.

But Wilson said that's not unique to only football at

"We like to dictate what goes on," he said. "But that's the Jones way. We do it in basketball. I look at our softball team and they get after it. We do it in all sports. If you are going to be at Jones, you get after it. That's just a tempera-

"We don't sit back and do things conventionally at Jones. We go out and get after it. That's more of a school thing. If you're going to be in 'Winnersville,' you had better

Wilson, who also serves as Assistant Head Coach and Linebacker/Safeties Coach, believes team speed will be a major plus for the Bobcats this season.

"We are fast," he said. "We were fast last year and I think we might be as fast if not faster this year. And I'm talking about offense, defense, special teams – we are fast."

The Bobcats have two quality safeties to set the tone on defense.

Fred Peters (Columbia) draws the start at one safety position and Jonathan Haynes (Ray Brooks) is at the other safety slot.

Peters is 5-foot-10, 202 pounds and has been offered by numerous schools, including Ole Miss and Mississippi State. Haynes is 6-foot, 203 pounds and has already commit-

"Fred is a really good football player," Wilson said. "He is one of the best ones I've ever coached. He is in a situation where he will be successful. He is a great kid and God blessed him with a lot of talent. He has the ability to do stuff other kids can't do.

"Jonathan is another really good player. He came from a smaller high school and is learning and getting better every day. He is a quality player."

Myron Stewart (Port Gibson) backs up Peters and John David Rutherford (St. Stanislaus) backs up Haynes. Stewart is 6-foot, 172 pounds and Rutherford is 5-foot-9, 195

"Myron is picking up the defense really well," Wilson said. "He is in a situation right now where he reminds me a lot of Fred this time last year.

"J.D. may be one of the most surprising guys out of the freshmen group we brought in this year. He and (defensive lineman) Qvaius Currie from Seminary have stepped in like they have been here for a whole year already. J.D. picked up the defense real fast. He's vocal and I can't wait to see him play in a game setting."

Wilson likes the talent the Bobcats have at the linebacker positions.

At the spur slot, Davis Harrison (Lamar School) leads the way. Har-

rison is a 6-foot, 191-pound sophomore who played quarterback as a freshman.

"Davis has done a good job transitioning from quarterback to defense," Wilson said. "He is playing a unique position – it's in between a linebacker and a defensive back. He is enjoying it and he plays with a lot of energy and a lot of moxie. He seems like he's having fun out there."

Also working at the spur are freshmen Roderick Hicks (Vicksburg) and Derrick Travis (Poplarville). Hicks is 5-foot-10, 160 pounds and Travis is 5-foot-11, 163



Kneeling (right) is JCJC Defensive Coordinator/Assistant Head Coach/Linebackers Coach Dwike Wilson, along with Raheem Shorter. Standing, from left, are Daylen Gill, Roderick Hicks, Davis Harrison, Nick Anderson, Charlie Marlowe, Rayshon Marcel and Devonte Toles. Photo/Shawn Wansley, JCJC Sports Information

221-pound redshirt freshman.

well," Wilson said. "He will

"Devonte has been playing

When it comes to game

"That's one thing we do

coach (Steve Buckley) says if guys come in

and do what they are supposed to do and they

are in shape, play them. Sometimes, it may

hurt you early in the year, but at the end of the

year, it's awesome. You play so many guys

and if somebody gets hurt, you've got the

"Going into their sophomore season, they

have so much film on them, they are getting

time, Wilson said the Bobcats

will play everybody who is

at Jones," he said. "Our head

available.

next man up.

pounds.

"Both of those guys are doing a real good job," Wilson said. "They are fast, athletic and quick. They are more like a corner when they go into the game and they are both really good football players."

At the will linebacker position, sophomore Charlie Marlowe (Petal) and freshman Daylen Gill (Louisville) are competing. Marlowe is 6-foot, 210 pounds and Gill is 6-foot, 218

"It's a dogfight for competition in that group," Wilson said. "Charlie has improved so much athletically since last year. He has put on 10 pounds and has gotten faster. He is a real heady kid.

"Daylen is special. He is very athletic, very fast and strong. He is picking up the defense really well right now."

Also in the mix at will is freshman Raheem Shorter (Port Gibson). Shorter is 6-foot, 182 pounds.

"Raheem is more of our 'dime' willie backer," Wilson said. "He is kind of in between a defensive back and linebacker. He will help us be very versatile and help us out a lot."

At the mike linebacker slot will be sophomore Rayshon Marcel (Moss Point) and freshman Nick Anderson (Vicksburg).

"Rayshon was a good player last year and has made strides to be a leader and a defensive captain," Wilson said. "He is in a real battle with Nick. Nick and Daylen are really pushing those guys in front of them. They don't have cakewalks at those positions."

Wilson is also coaching the Bobcat position, which is a hybrid between defensive end and linebacker.

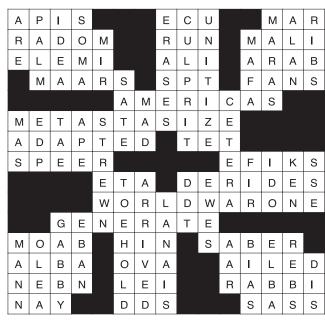
Redshirt freshman Marquez Bembry (Atlanta, Georgia) is the leader there. Bembry is a 6-foot-2, 227-pound redshirt freshman, who has verbally committed to Kentucky. He signed with Tennessee out of Mt. Vernon Presbyterian High School.

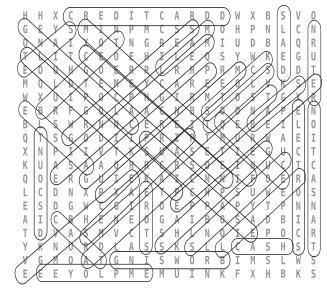
"Marquez is doing a real good job and he's very versatile," Wilson said. "He is very fast and he is learning how to play the position."

Also working at Bobcat is Devonte Toles (Pass Christian). Toles is a 6-foot-2,



Answers to Today's Puzzle Page





Today's "Guess Who?" answer:

Robert Plant

coaches on defense.

Barney Farrar is coaching in the secondary and Kwési Drake works with the defensive

"I really like Kwési," Wilson said. "He is a technician guy and does a great job with our defensive line. Barney does a great job with our corners. He keeps everybody even-keeled over there, so that's been good."

JCJC opens the season at Bobcat Stadium/

recruited. Of course, it helps us be fresher Sim Cooley Field at 7 p.m. on Aug. 30 vs. Coduring the whole game. I love to play everyahoma. The game will air on www.jcjc.tvand body. Everybody we've talked about will play WLAU-FM, 99.3 with Mark Easley and Ed 20 snaps a game." Wilson is working with two new assistant Smith on the call. **MORE MILES. WITH THE SAFET**



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