

#### JC's "Santa's Swingin' Pajama Party" Christmas show partners with Salvation Army's Angel Tree program



By Teresa McCreery

The Jones College Fine Arts Department is pleased to continue its partnership with the Salvation Army in providing a bit of Christmas cheer for kids in the Pine Belt. The public is invited to begin the holiday season by attending this year's Christmas show, "Santa's Swingin' Pajama Party" on Thursday, November 29, at 7 p.m. in the M.P. Bush Fine Arts Auditorium. This whimsical and very kid-friendly show invites everyone to wear pajamas and listen to Jazz, Swing, Pop and all of your favorite Christmas songs. Admission is one, unwrapped toy for the Salvation Army's Angel Tree program.

"We are excited to work with Bruce Smith who is directing the Christmas Show this year featuring our musical and vocal

AT LEFT - Jones College's Christmas Show, featuring Santa's elves, "Jingle" portrayed by Landon Williams (right) and "Belle" portrayed by Coco Caldwell (left) are the hosts of show, "Santa's Swingin' Pajama Party" which is helping the Salvation Army's Angel Tree Toy Drive and Santa to ensure everyone has a Merry Christmas!

groups and a few guests from the North Pole!" said Fine Arts Division Chair, Mark Brown. "We want to stress the purpose of our Christmas production is to provide toys for children who normally may not have much of a Christmas. We hope our local angels will be able to give a Santa filled sled full of gifts with a little help from our audience."

and plush animals. All the donations will be given to children in our area this Christmas. Necessities and Christmas gifts are provided for disadvantaged children from infants to age 12, through the Salvation Army Angel Tree Program in Jones, Jasper, Wayne, Clarke, Smith and Simpson counties. The Christmas Show will

Gift suggestions include toys, sports equipment, board games

#### feature an evening of beauti------ Continued on P. 2 .....

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## HANDBAGS and HIGH HEELS

I went to a wedding recently. Not only did I get to spend a wonderful night with some wonderful friends, but I also got a front row seat to all of the fashion. Sadly, I was not impressed.

The invitation listed the attire as formal, but I saw a lot of casual maxi dresses and sandals on the girls and blue jeans on the guys. Granted, this was a very young crowd, so they have some learning to do. Hence this article.

Several years ago, I wrote about dressing for a wedding. I am going to recycle some of that article here.

Unless you are in the wedding party and have been told exactly what to wear, picking an outfit for a wedding can be tricky. What some people might not know is that your outfit should correctly corre-

**Emily Hall** 

rest of the rules? Let's look at each dress code, the time of the wedding and what that means for the attendee when selecting an outfit.

Black Tie/Black Tie Optional: First, let's be honest. The "optional" in black tie option really means you should just wear black tie attire. It is important enough to the cou-

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spond with a number of things, including the time of day of the ceremony, the attire (if any) requested on the invitation, and the ever-changing weather of south Mississippi. It is enough to overwhelm even the seasoned wedding-goer.

I think it is common knowledge that you don't wear formal gowns and tuxedos to a 10 a.m. wedding, but what about the



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ple to include it on the invitation, but the "optional" makes it seem less like a demand and more like a helpful suggestion.

Most black tie weddings take place at night. The only exception to this is noon. High noon is traditionally the most formal time of day to hold a wedding. At a high noon wedding, it is not uncommon to see the bridal party in white tie attire, meaning formal evening gowns for the ladies and tuxedoes with tails and gloves for the men. If you are ever invited to a high noon wedding, just remember — the fancier the better.

For a typical nighttime black tie wedding, women should wear a floor-length gown or a very dressy cocktail dress. If you opt for a cocktail dress, think sequins and embellishments - anything that adds some sparkle to your look.

For men, black tie implies a tuxedo.

Formal: Formal attire is a step down from black tie in terms of men's attire. A tuxedo

white shirt.

For the ladies, the attire is the same as black tie - a long dress, fancy cocktail dress, or a dressy pants suit.

Semi-Formal: Semi-formal can mean different things depending on the time of day.

For a daytime wedding (before 4 p.m.), ladies' attire usually includes simple cocktail dresses or skirts and tops. Stay away from anything that sparkles.

If the wedding is at night, wear darker, more formal colors, and add a pop of color to your look with bold jewelry. Embellished, metallic or sequin dresses are acceptable for a semi-formal night wedding.

For the men, a suit and tie is appropriate for a day or night wedding. Khaki or gray can be worn during the day. If the wedding is at night, stick to black or navy, but add some color with a nice tie.

Casual: If you receive an invitation to a casual wedding, the ceremony will likely be held outdoors and will be relatively laid-back. That said, there is still a dress code. Jeans are not appropriate, no matter the venue.

For the ladies, wear a cotton dress or a casual maxi dress. Pants or a skirt and top are also acceptable. Dark colors and formal prints should be avoided. While it may not be functional to wear heels, stay away from flip-flops. A cute ballet flat is more appropriate.

Men can put away the suits for these weddings. Khaki pants with a button-down shirt is typical attire for most male guests. Ties can be left at home, but take a tip from the ladies and leave the flip flops at home as well. A nice boat shoe matches well with this type of wardrobe.

I will leave you with one last tip. Do not - under any circumstances - wear white or any shade that could be considered white. No cream, eggshell, ivory, off-white -nothing. There is nothing more disrespectful than showing up to a wedding in white if you are not the bride.

Emily Hall is the fashion writer for the Impact. You can



Five Jones College students received a \$1,000 scholarship from Hugh Sims, a Haas sales engineer representing the Gene Haas Foundation (pictured second from the right) and Jones College Machining and Manufacturing instructor Chase Elmore, who is also holding the check in the middle of the picture. The students (pictured left to right) are freshman Tanner Bryant of Laurel; sophomore Jason Williams of Laurel; freshman Christian Daniel of Prentiss; freshman Tory Leiva, Jr. of Gloster, and freshman Emmett Searles of Hattiesburg (pictured right end) The Gene Haas Foundation gave a 10,000 grant to be used to assist Jones College students in the precision manufacturing and machining program. Photo/Teresa McCreery

#### Pajama Party from P. 1 -

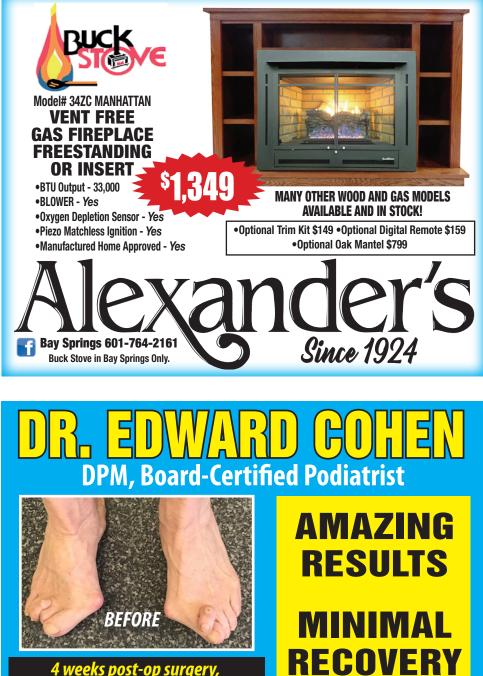
ful holiday favorites like the JC Voices group will perform, "Sing We Now of Christmas," under the direction of Dr. Susan Smith.

"Silver Bells," and "Let it Snow" will feature the JC Jazz Band under the direction of Dr. Ben Burge and The Bridge will sing, "Christmas Song" along with other Christmas favorites like "Mary Did You Know?" "Many of our students receive scholarships and this is an opportunity for them to give back to the community while also highlighting their talent in

a fun show," said Brown. Show hosts include, "Jingle and Belle" who are two of Santa's elves, along with JC Voices, JC Jazz Band, The Bridge,

Touch of Gold dancers and special guests, "Ken and Barbie," and Santa and Mrs. Claus.

For more information, call the Fine Arts Office at 601-477-4203 or follow JCJC Fine Arts on Facebook and Twitter. For more information about the Angel Tree project, go to http://salvationarmyalm.org/ angel-tree/



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### The Story Teller: "Inspect the genes around the holiday table"



By Martha McCarty

With all of the talk about and interest in DNA, we are being made quite aware of from whom and from where we've come. Most of us know a little about our families' histories, and many who don't are trying to discover some of it. To me it's amazing what can be found about us from a drop of blood or even a single hair. I know not to believe everything I see and hear on television, but some of what is shared even there really makes one wonder what can be found about a fellow from his clipped finger nail.

One of my grandsons recently received the report he sent for and was told much of what we already knew. It listed the countries from which a particular group of our ancestors migrated, gave the percentage of him that those specific people contributed and even gave the approximate years when those folks arrived in America. I'm fascinated by and yet still a bit skeptical of such tests and reports.

I always enjoyed explaining to science classes what I understood about genetics and inheritance and how dominant and recessive genes work. My students got a kick out of it too. One of the most 'enlightening' facts I shared was how 'generation removal' works. So many who thought they were third cousins were actually first cousins twice removed. And yes, many are still confused about that. And I assume you know that Mississippi has forever had a law that forbids cousins closer than third to legally marry.

When our older children were beginning to date, I did a good bit of work on Kenny's family history. I didn't want one of our children to fall in love with a cousin and then have to be told to look elsewhere. I went back to Kenny's great-great grandfather and came forward to the present time with a descendant trace. I found that Kenny and his children were kin to a good majority of Jasper County's population. It was sad and yet funny too when one of our teens shared an interest in a classmate and then had to be told, "Honey, yep, another cousin." Needless to say, we've looked elsewhere.

It's amazing how various characteristics show up in families from one generation to another. I've known some first cousins who favor each other more than they do their own siblings. And I've watched specific traits seem to scatter across an extended family or

even seem to skip a generation and show up in a later one. Children often look so much like cousins, and then one will seem to be a carbon copy of a grandparent or even a great uncle.

Members of many families do share common traits which give them what we call a family resemblance. As a classroom teacher in this area, I knew many a child's family connection before I was told any names. Many time I was asked by a child how I knew who he was. I once answered, "Your eyes told me."

It's been enlightening to discover that people whom I've known for years are sisters and I'd never made that connection. But then when seeing them side-by-side and am looking for it, I can see a family resemblance. Some families have some really powerful genes. And the strength of these traits seems to change over time. As children, all of my sisters and I were easily recognized as sisters, and then, as we grew older, we seemed to look less and less like each other. But then as an older adult, I was often called by my sister's name and she by mine. I didn't think we looked so much alike, but others thought we did.

With the holidays right around the corner here, many of us are gonna be with family. I encourage you to get another good look at yours. Try to figure what it is that makes your

people favor. Is it more than eye, hair or just general coloring, even though these might well be similar? Look at facial bone structure, such as forehead height, cheekbones and noses. Kids love to compare earlobes and whether they are attached or not. Young girls often think they want the detached, so that they can more easily wear earrings.So, while you're unstuffing that turkey or hacking up the ham, look around the table and get a good look at your folks. Whether or not your absolutely crazy about everyone seated there, you just might discover that you have more in common with your people than you ever thought was possible.

#### **BLACK FRIDAY • SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY**

#### Mills presents at November meeting of Park Place Garden Club

Everything was coming up roses during the November 8 meeting of Park Place Garden Club as James Mills, owner of K & M nursery of Buckatunna, Miss., delivered a lecture of Fortuniana grafted roses.

For over 30 years, Mills and his wife, Daisy, have cultivated a business that provides for both the amateur rose gardener and Master rose exhibitionists. He shared his story of business growth, explaining his journey and failures but added his faith would not let him give up on this business adventure. His research eventually paid off once he learned about the Fortuniana rose that originated in China and how to graft it to the stem of another rose. This particular rose is ideal for the South. He explained the Fortuniana root system is much larger, making it an ideal rose with larger blooms and foliage.

Miles and his staff attend rose societies and seminars in the Southern United States to speak on roses and their care. Today, K & M nursery has 14 greenhouses and offers a large selection of plants and variety of roses that he ships all over the United States. In closing, he encouraged garden club members to grow roses and grance of these special roses.

Following the program, Becky Brewer, president, conducted a business meeting at which time Carol Henley, secretary, presented the minutes from the October meeting. Pat Myers, chairman of the Historical Trees Committee, gave a report stating her committee has identified 11 trees in the area that qualify to be registered with the Societe Des Arbres ( Society of Trees).

Brewer announced that plans for the Blue Star Memorial dedication being sponsored by the Council of Garden Clubs in Laurel and Jones County are underway. This ceremony will be held in the spring. In other reports, Deane Singley, chairman of the Backyard Wildlife Habitat, reviewed ten ways to help birds in the fall.

Members enjoyed refreshments prepared by Billie Graham, Carol Henley and Peggy Branson. President Brewer encouraged members to visit the Garden Information Center in the downstairs of the library following the meeting, which was held in the Council of Garden Clubs Marion Mason Room at the Laurel-Jones County Library, to view the November information board on "Growing Indoor Plants"

Pat Myers.

The December 13 meeting will be a holiday luncheon and ornament exchange at the home of Susan Pounds with Cynthia Sheppard and Marilyn Biglane serving as co-hostess.

Park Place Garden club is a member of the Laurel-Jones County Council of Garden Clubs, The Garden Clubs of Mississippi, and the National Garden Clubs, Inc.



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Laurel High School is pleased to announce Mr. and Miss LHS 2018. Miss LHS Kristian Edwards is a member of the girls' basketball team, softball team, track team and cheerleading squad where she serves as co-captain. She is an active member of the Key Club and Student Council. She was recently selected as a South Central Scholar Athlete. She plans to play college softball and major in sports medicine. Mr. LHS Jontarious Henderson is a member of the Laurel High School football team and track team. He plans to play football at a junior college or university while majoring in business management. Photo/submitted

## **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

The Comunity Events section is a schedule of activities for <u>non-profit groups</u> only – such as schools, churches and other notfor-profit organizations or family events. Send your events to: Admin@laurelimpact.com.

#### November 21

State Senator Angela Burks Hill will address the Jones County Republican Women on Wednesday, November 21 at noon at The Gables Event Center, 1919 Bush Dairy Road, Laurel. The event is open to guests and the press. The Jones County Republican Women meet the second Wednesday of each month. The club is open to women members and men as associate members. For more information contact, (601) 422-7575 or jcrw. laurel@gmail.com.

The Ellisville Masonic Lodge will have delicious fully cooked, smoked Boston Butt Pork Roasts for Thanksgiving for sale on Wednesday, Nov 21 at the Lodge in Ellisville from 8:00 a.m. to noon – \$25.00 each. As always, a limited number is available so order yours now. 601-433-5229 or 601-477-9608. If no answer, leave message with name and call back number.

New Jerusalem Full Gospel Church invites you to our Thanksgiving service on Wednesday November 21 at 5:00 p.m. For more information, call 601-283-0163.

Springhill Missionary Baptist Church, 1403 Dubose Street, Ellisville, cordially invites you to our two-night pre-Thanksgiving revival services Tuesday & Wednesday, November 13-14, at 7:00 nightly. Our very own associate ministers will be the speakers.

#### NOVEMBER 22

Jones County Garbage Schedule – Garbage normally picked up on Thursday November 22 (Thanksgiving Day) will be picked up on Monday, November 26. Trash must be out by 6:30 a.m. Garbage that is picked up on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday will have same schedule for the week of Thanksgiving.

Calvary Baptist Church will be having a pre-anniversary revival on November 22 with Pastor Leandre Bridges, Sr. (host) and Rev. Sargent (guest preacher), both from Springhill Baptist Church in Ellisville. Service starts at 7:15 p.m.

#### November 25

Rev. John Buxton and the Mt. Olive M.B. Church cordially invite you to our 139th church anniversary to be held on Sunday, November 25 at 2:30 p.m. The speaker for this occasion will be Rev. James McGhee, pastor of Pine Grove M.B. Church in Bailey, MS.

Shady Grove Missionary Baptist Church of Heidelberg cordially invites you to our 170th year church anniversary on the fourth Sunday, November 25. The morning service will be Dr. George R. Ducksworth of Shady Grove M.B. Church at 10:45 a.m. The afternoon guest speaker will be Rev. Donald Miller from St. Luke M.B. Church of Waynesboro, at 1:30 p.m. You are welcome to come and worship with us.

#### November 29

Calvary Baptist Church's pre-anniversary revival for Pastor Graves will be held November 29 at 7:15 p.m. with host Pastor Kevin Lagston and guest preacher Rev. Kory Langtson, both from Divine Faith Baptist Church, Brandon. On December 2 we will have Dr. Vernon J. Graves' anniversary service. The guest speaker will be Rev. Marvin D. Chapman from Old Palestine Baptist Church, Hebron. Service will start at 3:00 p.m.

## TE COLOR HATS

#### NOVEMBER 30

Give Hope a Home this holiday season by supporting "The Drop of Hope Golf Ball Drop" benefiting the American Cancer Society Gertrude C. Ford Hope Lodge in Jackson. When the Hope Lodge opens its doors in 2019, it will provide more than twelve thousand nights of free lodging a year. Drop of Hope tickets are on sale now through November 30 and can be purchased from Relay for Life Jones County teams, on Facebook, or by email to relayforlife6@gmail.com. Tickets are one for \$5, five for \$20 or 30 for \$100. The Golf Ball drop will be held the first weekend of December at Dixie Golf Course in Laurel. Specific date dependent on weather.

#### DECEMBER 1

Sandra Hancock Ministries is hosting a Voice of Hope Conference December 1 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at "The Gathering Place," 3227 Audubon Dr. in Laurel. God has given Sandra a word just for you! Bring your friends and come expecting your miracle! There are no admission costs! For more information, call 1-800-579-7350 or see our webpage at www.sandrahancock.org.

#### DECEMBER 2

St. Luke Baptist Church invites you to attend our Pastor's Aide Annual Day Program to be held December 2 at 3:00 p.m. The speaker will be Rev. Billy McSwain, pastor of Second Baptist Church of Laurel.

#### DECEMBER 5

Prayer Tower Outreach Non-Denominational Church, 4005 CR 8, Heidelberg, invites you to our Pentecost Outpouring of the Holy Spirit Revival, "Having a Spiritual Awakening", running December 5 -7 at 7:15 nightly.

#### December 6

Join us at the YWCO for our favorite annual Christmas event, "Victorian Christmas Tea," on December 6 from 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. High tea is served in three courses. This is a seasonal holiday event perfect for a lady's afternoon out! Cost is \$20 per person.

#### DECEMBER 8

Gospel sing Saturday, December 8 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Sanford Community Center located at 663 Old Hwy 49, Sanford. The featured guest will be "Harvest Quartet," "Cool Water Gospel Family" and "Faithway Singers." Admission is free. A love offering will be received. For more information, call 601-765-6485.

Brunch with Santa. You are invited to have Brunch with Santa at the YWCO on December 8 from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$15 per person. Come and meet Santa and get your picture made while eating yummy breakfast foods! RSVP by December 1: ywcooflaurel@gmail.com or 601-428-5694.

#### DECEMBER 13

The Hatten Water Association hereby announces solicitation for five (5) dedicated, competent, hard-working and motivated individuals (male & female) to serve as our association's Board of Directors (non-compensated position). The meeting for the selection/election of Board members is scheduled for Monday night, January 7, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in the Old Palestine MB Church Family Life Center, Hebron. Persons interested in selection/election to the Board are asked to submit their name, address, phone number, and a brief statement about how they

> will work to improve the Association to the Hatten Office not later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 13. Your doing so will allow ample time for the staff to prepare

Magnolia Baptist Church fellowship hall, 1040 Wansley Road in Laurel. For more information, call or text 601-323-0830 or 601-319-6931.

New Creation Apostolic Church, 204 Ford Street, Taylorsville, invites everyone to join us for Sunday school at 10:00 a.m. and morning worship at 11:30 a.m. We also have a prayer service on Tuesdays and Bible study on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. The pastor is Rev. Elder Bolton.

#### MAS seek applicants for \$500 scholarships

Mississippi Association of Supervisors is now accepting scholarship applications. MAS will award up to two \$500 scholarships per county.

Those who can apply for the scholarship are high school seniors, current college students, county employees taking college courses and county employees spouses taking college courses. Applicants must have a sponsor who is currently employed by or retired from Mississippi county government. The sponsor may be applicants' spouse, applicant's immediate family member (parent, stepparent, grandparent, step- grandparent or legal guardian), and the applicants must be a resident of Mississippi, have a minimum GPA of 2.5, and must be enrolled (or will enroll) in an accredited, public Mississippi college, junior or community college, or university in the fall 2019 semester.

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The application can be found online at http://www.mssupervisors.org/scholarship-program. You may also contact Chataura Sanders at (601) 422-4222 for an application and more information.



18 AND IT HAPPENED, AS HE WAS ALONE PRAYING, THAT HIS DISCIPLES JOINED HIM, AND HE ASKED THEM, SAYING, "WHO DO THE CROWDS SAY THAT I AM?"

19 SO THEY ANSWERED AND SAID, "JOHN THE BAPTIST, BUT SOME SAY ELIJAH; AND OTHERS SAY THAT ONE OF THE OLD PROPHETS HAS RISEN AGAIN."

20 HE SAID TO THEM, "BUT WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM?" PETER ANSWERED AND SAID, "THE CHRIST OF GOD."



The Junior Auxiliary of Laurel, along with the Lauren Rogers Museum of Art and Laurel Arts League, hosted their annual Very Special Arts Festival on Friday, November 9th at the Cameron Center in Laurel. Several hundred children from area schools with special needs attended the event. The Very Special Arts is a festival for special needs children to participate in making arts and crafts. This year's theme was "Down on the Farm". The kids were treated with face painting, fishing for candy, making farmers hats and sunflowers, building Dalmatian puppets, and much more! Junior Auxiliary President Andrea Endom said, "The Very Special Arts festival is one of our favorite events because we get to have one on one interaction with these beautiful children. They enjoy all of the cute arts and crafts, photo booths, jewelry and music! It is a true joy to see their faces light up when we play, and help them create all the arts and crafts we prepared for them." Space at the Cameron Center was donated by the City of Laurel. JA members L-R: Jillian Taylor, Katye Ainesworth, Lindsay Dodd, Cherie Burdette, Kerri Davis, Kathryn Davis.

paper ballots and be fully prepared for the January 7, 2019, meeting.

#### <u>Miscellanous</u>

Te Invito A Mi Iglesia to Iglesia El Faro, 544 East Street, Laurel, MS. Servicios, Sabados: 6:00 p.m., Domingos: 10:00 a.m. Pastores Rafael Y Cecilia Anderson. 601-335-1453.

Al-Anon meetings are held each Monday night at 7:00 at the 24-hour Society Club House at 626 N. Magnolia Street (corner of 7th Street, Laurel). Al-Anon is for families and friends for those who have addiction problems. Al-Anon hotline is 601-426-4688.

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Madison Diers (center) is a senior at South Jones High School where she has played varsity soccer since the 7th grade. Madison has signed to play college soccer for East Central Community College with coach Ryan Joiner. Madison is the daughter of Daniel and Alison Diers of Ellisville and has a brother Mark and a sister Mellee. Both Mark and Mellee play soccer for South Jones High School. Madison has won several awards for the SJ Braves. She was awarded Rookie of the Year as a 7th grader, Stat Leader Award as a Freshman and Junior, and Offense Award as a Sophomore. Madison also has been selected for 1st Team all District her Freshman, Sophomore, and Junior year and 2nd Team all District her 8th grade year. Madison has played on a travel/select team with Gulf Coast United Soccer Club for the last five years. Some of her stats from her freshman year until present for the Braves: 80 assist and 59 goals. Shown with Madison, left to right, are: Mellee Diers (sister, seated left), Mark Diers (brother, seated right) Daniel Diers (dad) and Alison Diers (mother). Photo/submitted

#### Local players sign four-year scholarships after careers at PRCC

Wednesday, November 14, proved to be a proud day for Pearl River baseball coach Michael Avalon and his staff as they saw 11 players who were instrumental in claiming the 2018 MACJC State championship sign with four-year programs.

Miles Smith (Northeast Jones), Shemar Page (Raleigh) and Matt Taylor (Raleigh) were among the PRCC players who inked with four-year schools.

Smith signed with South Alabama, Taylor is headed to Southeastern Louisiana, and Page will play the next two years at Louisiana Tech.

Page led the team with 10 wins and a 2.73 ERA. In 59 1/3 innings, Page struck out a teambest 77 against just 19 walks. His 11.68 K/9 was fourth highest among regulars on last year's team. Avalon deployed Page as a dual threat, which paid off big-time for the Wildcats as the

#### Raleigh native hit .307 with two homers, seven doubles, 16 RBIs and a .480 slugging percentage.

Page earned a spot on the All-MACJC and All-Region XXIII teams. He used his standout season to earn a spot on the NJCAA's National Baseball Team, which competed in August in the National Baseball Congress World Series in Kansas.

Like Page, Smith was a reliable starter for the Wildcats and finished with a 6-2 mark on the hill. In 55 2/3 innings, Smith struck out 50. His 3.23 ERA was the third-highest mark among

regulars. As a freshman, Smith earned a spot on the All-MAC-JC Second Team.

Taylor was a terror on the base paths for the Wildcats a year ago, leading PRCC with 19 stolen bases. He was also on base plenty, hitting .372 with a .454 OBP and .476 slugging percentage.

He finished the season with 10 doubles, one triple, one homer, 26 RBIs and struck out just 19 times in 145 at-bats the lowest mark among Wildcat regulars. Taylor also earned a spot on the All-MACJC Second Team.



### **Maroon Tide likely not impressed** by Mustangs win over Hattiesburg

#### By Kevin Williamson

I stood on the Laurel High School sidelines Friday night to take notes for a story to write later that night for our website. Sports601.com.

Confidence was high, at least on my part, that the Tornadoes would somehow figure out a way to beat back the Maroon Tide from Picayune. This game would give me some good insight into the team that would play Hattiesburg the following weekend for the South State title.

Sometime during the first quarter of our game inside the stadium at R.H. Watkins, the public address speaker gave the crowd a little information from another game.

"West Jones 3, Hattiesburg 0," he said.

At least West scored, I thought. That means they won't get shut out.

Then the PA statements became much more intriguing.

"West Jones 9, Hattiesburg 0." There was a little noise in the stands this time as the crowd digested that score. At least I wasn't the only one surprised.

"West Jones 16, Hattiesburg 0." Some of the players and other sideline spectators on the sidelines at Laurel were now adding their own subtle sounds

But that was not the state title game, and I know that West Jones wants that Big Ring. Their fans want them to get it.

But getting it won't be easy. As surprised as I was about the final score from Hattiesburg, I was just that impressed by the efficiency and determination of the team I watched eliminate Laurel from the playoffs.

Laurel lost, 41-22, to Picavune, but don't forget one fact . . . this Laurel bunch is good! They came into the game riding an eight-game winning streak, unbeaten in Region play, and had just blown out Wayne County, 37-6, in the first round of the playoffs. Wayne County and Laurel, if you will recollect, beat West Jones during the regular season. I fully expected the Tornadoes to be at South State next week. They won't be.

Picayune will be. And Picayune fully expects to beat West Jones. I know all the coach speak that will be printed in papers and on websites this week about respecting each other, that the other team is good, that we'll have to play our best game of the year, and so forth. In late November some of that talk is very true, since the competition is so acute during playoff season.

All the talk aside, Picayune

a system in place that features a powerful running attack. For Picavune the forward pass is almost a foreign concept. They don't throw it much because they don't have to. The Maroon Tide offensive front wall just lines up, man to man, and consistently out-schemes and outworks the defensive front and linebackers they face. They are very adept at getting their runners into the back levels of the defense in a hurry.

They somehow did it to a talented Laurel defense, just as they did it against nine other teams this fall on their way to averaging 44 points a game ruing the regular season.

So, can West Jones beat the Maroon Tide? I think so. Picayune is not invincible - they are just playing with a lot of swagger right now. The task in front of West Jones this week is to forget last Friday's win over Hattiesburg, because Picayune is certainly not thinking about it. After their performances in the first two rounds of the playoffs, scoring 55 and 41 points respectively, you have to feel that Picayune is confident that they will end West Jones' season this Friday. We'll see.



Mark Diers was selected as the AARP Mississippi Scholar Athlete of the week for the state of Mississippi. Diers is a junior at South Jones High School where he plays varsity football, varsity soccer and varsity baseball. He is a kicker/punter and receiver for the Braves. Against North Pike, Mark kicked the winning

of disbelief to that of the fans in the stands.

"West Jones 23, Hattiesburg 0." Now I wondered if the PA announcer was getting good information. I mean, West Jones was running away from the No. 1 team in 5A, and it wasn't even halftime.

"He did say 23-0?" I aske someone standing nearby.

"That's what he said."

Then some texts started hit ting my phone, confirming the the Mustangs were doing what just about everyone though was impossible. Head Coac Scott Pierson, his staff and play ers kept their foot on the ped and finished the job, oustin the Mighty Tigers, 37-14.

The Tigers had more rush ing yards, more passing yard and more total yards . . . but th Mustangs had the most points and that's all that matters whe the final buzzer sounds. Th coaches and players from Sos made Jones County proud Fr day.

will be waiting, confident they can stop WJHS, like they stopped Laurel. They expected to beat a very good Laurel team, and they did it. Laurel didn't play bad Friday - Picayune just executed their offense relentlessly and precisely. They have

field goal to give the Braves a win. In addition to his sports, he has above a 4.0 GPA. According to SJ Head Coach Roger Satcher," Mark is everything you are looking for in a Scholar Athlete. He's one of those guys that work harder than anyone else and he listens and is very coachable". Congratulations Mark on being select Scholar Athlete of the week for Mississippi. Photo/submitted

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AT LEFT: Talented Taylorsville sophomore QB Ty Keyes will lead the Tartars against Bay Springs Friday in the 2A South State championship.

Taylorsville downed Collins, 14-12, last Friday, while Bay Springs ran past Richton, 28-8.

Earlier this year the Tartars beat up on Bay Springs, 35-14. For the Bulldogs to have a chance at the upset Friday, they will have to stop the potent Taylorsville passing attack and get their own running game in high gear.

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L-R: Walker Thompson-POW, Greg xxxxxxx- Powerade representative, and Alan Follis-POW. Thompson and Follis are from West Jones.

Scott Pierson referred to them as 'freak plays' - a 93-yard kickoff return, followed by a 98-yard scoop-and-score that put West Jones behind early last Friday night in the first round of the MHSAA Class 5A playoffs. By the half, Stone, who beat West Jones last year in the first round, seemingly had the formula to do it again.

Despite trailing Stone 20-3 with 10 minutes left in the second quarter, Pierson never felt out of the game.

"It was a situation where we came in at halftime with 258 yards of offense and [Stone] had 110," said the West Jones head football coach. "We felt like that as bad as it was, I never really felt we were out of the game."

Pierson was right. A 66-yard touchdown pass to Tajrick Randolph and a five-yard rush by sophomore quarterback Alan Follis put West Jones within one, 23-22, of the Stone Tomcats with 6:22 remaining in the game. Follis finished with 359 yards of offense, 228 through the air and 131 on the ground.

"We haven't run Follis all year for a variety of reasons," said Pierson. "One, he's a sophomore and hasn't had enough time to be in the weight room to take the pounding. So we choose not to run him because he wouldn't have made it through the year. But with a loser go home atmosphere, it's quite obvious that's the time you have to run him."

Follis averaged 7.3 yards a rush on 18 carries and 20.7 yards a pass on 11 completions.

To be honest, as well as he played, he could have played a lot better if he could have had a dry ball," added Pierson. "That hampered his ability to complete passes. He usually completes about 65 percent of his passes but [last Friday night] he was at 50 percent because he couldn't grip the ball as well."

"In the first half we got down in the red zone a couple of times and couldn't capitalize," said Follis. "In the second half, we did a better job of that. We realized at the half that if we didn't come out and play a better game altogether, there would be no game this week."

Still trailing Stone late into the fourth quarter, senior kicker and Ole Miss commit Walker Thompson played his part in the West Jones win. With 3:32 remaining, Thompson split the uprights from 35-yards out. It turned out to the game-winning field goal.

"At halftime Coach Pierson told us there were two things we could do," said Thompson. "We could lay down and be done with the season or stand up like men and go out and win the game."

Thompson, of course, helped with the latter. Even after missing an extra point three minutes earlier.

"After the missed extra point, he came over to me and told me the ball wasn't placed on the tee," Pierson recalled. "I told him I understood and we had a conversation about that.

"I looked at him and said, 'son that doesn't matter because you're going to get a chance to kick a field goal to win the game.' He looked at me funny and I said, 'no son, you are.' And sure enough, the opportunity came."

Follis and Thompson's efforts to keep West Jones' season

alive earns them the honor of this week's Sports601 Powerade Co-Players of the Week award.

#### **South Jones' Sydney Runnels** one of 11 PRCC softball signees

The Pearl River softball team announced Wednesday the addition of 11 Lady Wildcats as part of the 2019 signing class. Head coach Leigh White

touted the experience and versatility of the incoming players.

"We hit on every one of our needs with this signing class. We're very excited about the 11 we have signed," she said. "Every one of these kids plays travel ball and comes from very good high school programs. That means a lot coming into here. It means they'll be ready to go to work when they arrive."

The class is comprised by UTIL Hannah Brewer (Petal), RHP Sarah Cuevas (West Harrison), C Raegan Havard (George County), C Saige Hebert (D'Iberville), RHP Danielle Lalonde (Cecilia), INF Emily McDonald (Wayne County), RHP Gia McElroy (Resurrection, Catholic), INF Faith Peterson (Long Beach), INF Sydney Runnels (South Jones), OF Promise Shanks (Wayne County) and UTIL Mary Widemire (Presbyterian Christian School).

Runnels, the one Jones County signee, prepped at South Jones, where she was coached by Ryan Hodge.

"Sydney was our very first commit for this signing class. She came to one of our camps and was sold from Day 1," White said. "She's a very good middle infielder who can cover a lot of ground."



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1. Places to eat

2. Marketplace

3. Unoriginality

4. Administrative officials

5. Female sheep and

and northeast

9. Founder of medical

10. Long-legged wading

13. Used to cut and shape

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12. Go quickly

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#### **CLUES ACROSS**

1. Taxi

- 4. Long periods of time
- 9. Boiled cow or sheep
- 14. Ottoman military commander
- 15. Pig 16. Don't go near
- 17. Benin inhabitants
- 18. Pop star
- 20. Removes
- 22. Your sibling's daughter
- 23. Trade
- 24. Dabbled
- 28. Tax collector
- 29. Atomic number 73
- 30. Russian emperor
- 31. Broad-winged bird of
- prey
- 33. Pale brownish yellow
- 37. A type of bill
- 38. One or a sum of things 39. Stiff, untanned leather 41. Naturally occurring
- solid material 42. Promotional material
- 43. Beer mug
- 44. Nostrils
- 46. Very rich
- 49. Atomic number 10
- 50. Not even
- 51. Pulls apart



## **GUESS WHOP**

I am a singer born in Arizona on November 20, 1975. I graduated from Vanderbilt University in Nashville, which inspired my love of country music. My debut single reached No. 1 on the country charts and I've had many hits since.

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- 19. Small island (British)
- 21. Dry or withered
- 24. "Last of the Mohicans" actress
- 25. Manufacturers need
- one
- 26. Tidal bore
- 27. Makes free of moisture
- 31. Semitic titles
- 32. Inappropriate
- 34. Gregory \_\_\_, US dancer
- 35. -\_ \_, denotes past
- 36. Makes nicer
- 40. Indicates position
- 41. Made a priest
- 45. Sixth month of Jewish calendar
- 47. One who refrains
- 48. Type of top

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  - 61. Before the present
  - 62. Genus of grasses
  - 63. Autonomic nervous

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- 56. Sleep sound
- 57. Tiny Iranian village
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## **Clark signs with Jones College women's basketball**

By James Pugh

Days after being named a 2018-2019 girls' basketball Dandy Dozen, South Jones standout Jordan Clark inked her LOI (Letter of Intent) with the Jones College Lady Bobcats. Clark did so in front of family, coaches and teammates inside the Media Center at South Jones High School Friday afternoon.

"It's a blessing," said Clark. "I feel overwhelmed, and I'm happy with my choice."

The 5'6 guard had offers from nearly every junior college school in the state. Several D1 colleges showed interest as well says Clark.

"I felt comfortable there," Clark said of her decision to sign with Jones College. "It feels like home to me. I get along with the coaches at Jones, and they've shown interest in me [from the very beginning]."

Joining the varsity squad as an eighth-grader, Clark averages 12.4 points per game in 103 played. Last season she scored 468 points in 31 total games. South Jones finished the 2017-2018 season 25-6 overall and 6-2 in Region 5-5A play with Clark's help.

"It's a great feeling to see one of your players get an opportunity to further their career in a sport they love," said head coach Sherri Cooley. "It also good to see them be able to get their education paid for. That is the most important thing to me."

Cooley decided to move Clark up



Photo/James Pugh

to the varsity level as a young player.

"Jordan has been with me since the eighth grade," Cooley added. "I moved her up around Christmas as an eighth-grader. She was thrown in there with minimal experience, but she stepped up and has been playing for me ever since then. She's improved every year, and now she's a Dandy Dozen. That tells you a lot about her and her style of play."

"At that time [in eighth-grade]," Clark recalls, "I didn't think I'd make it to this moment. It's truly a blessing."

Clark helped South Jones overcome a 12-point deficit Thursday night to beat the reigning MHSAA

Class 5A champs, Hattiesburg, 55-52. The senior guard finished with 13 points, two assist and two steals.

"Our motto this season is to start strong and finish strong," Cooley said. "That is what we've been working on. I think we're doing that. There's a lot of things we need to work on because we're in a very tough district. I told my girls last night that I'm happy about the win, but we have to get back to the gym and work on those things that need fixing."

"My team and I plan of playing for a state title this season," said Clark. "We have to keep moving forward and working together towards [that goal]."

#### SJMS student receives Bronze award in scouting program



"Fantastic" and "courageous" are just a few of the adjectives that the Jones County Board of Supervisors used to describe Maranda Guthrie, a student at South Jones Middle School. Maranda is the daughter of Mary and Eddie Guthrie. She is a Cadette in Girl Scouts and also an Explorer Scout in the Boy Scouts. Guthrie attended to the Jones County Board of Supervisors meeting and presented them with the project she participated in that helped her to receive the Bronze award. The Bronze award is the highest award a 5th grader can receive and is equivalent to an Eagle Scout for Boy Scouts. For Guthrie's project she volunteered at the Hub City Humane Society. Hub Humane Society is a no- kill animal shelter for the city of Petal. She was very proud to announce that also on this day of service dogs were adopted. Photo/submitted







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#### This Week

Nov. 24 - at UTEP, 2 p.m. CT (Sun Bowl Stadium (51,500)/El Paso, Texas/ TV - ESPN+)

#### Offensive Player of the Week Nomination

Quez Watkins, Sophomore, Wide Receiver, Athens, Ala.

Had team highs of nine catches for 110 yards versus Louisiana Tech. It was his fourth 100-yard receiving game of the season and fifth of his career. Caught three passes for 44 yards on the team's game-winning drive in the fourth quarter that included one big catch to convert on third down and another for 28 yards which put the Golden Eagles into the red zone. Watkins leads the team this season in both catches (67) and yards (831) with nine TD catches.

cord by winning their fourth in a row over Louisiana Tech, which was the 50th meeting between the two schools. The renewal of the rivalry is the third-longest series for Southern Miss behind only Memphis (63) and Louisiana-Lafayette (52).

\* Southern Miss edged the Bulldogs, marking the first time since 2010 that the game was decided by a single point. The Golden Eagles won that day, 13-12, in Ruston. It also improved USM to 15-5 over LA Tech in games decided by seven or fewer points.

\* The last four games for the Golden Eagles have been decided by three or fewer points. That is the first time in school history that that feat has happened as they are 2-2 over that span.

\* Sophomore quarterback Jack Abraham returned to action for the first time in three games and completed 24-of-29 passes for 195 yards and a touchdown. His completion percentage was 82.8 percent and has improved his rate for the season to 73.3 percent, which is ranked No.1 in the country. \* The Golden Eagles held the football for 11:32 in the final quarter, including the go-ahead scoring drive of 7:31, which is the second longest drive of the year in terms of time. \* Southern Miss' defense collected their third consecutive game of limiting its opponent to under 100 yards rushing, fourth in the last five games and fifth time overall in 2018. \* The Bulldogs reached the red zone five times against Southern Miss and the Nasty Bunch defense limited them to two field goals and a missed field goal on three of those five drives. \* With a win at UTEP this weekend, the Golden Eagles will be bowl eligible for the fourth consecutive season and for the 22nd time in the last 25 years.

## **Sideline View: Egg Bowl week is here**

#### By Dale McKee

"I'll play them at 9 o'clock out in the parking lot," said former Mississippi State head football coach Dan Mullen,

when discussing his take on the Egg Bowl. The 2018 Ole Miss-Mississippi State matchup will be the 115th meeting between the two schools and the

90th Egg Bowl. Ole Miss holds a 63-44-6 advantage in the all time series dating back to 1901, and the Rebels hold a 57-27-5 edge in the Egg Bowl. Mississippi State (8-3) was a 14-point favorite at home last year to the Rebels, but Ole Miss forced five turnovers to upset the Bulldogs, 31-28. Ole Miss used several explosive plays as A.J. Brown scored on 58- and 77-yard pass plays and D.J. Metcalf had a 63-yard score. Jordan Wilkins ran for two scores, but in the end the Ole Miss defense held off the MSU offense that was without quarterback Nick Fitzgerald. This year State (7-4) is another double digit favorite at 10 points in Oxford. The teams are 5-5 over the last ten years, but Ole Miss (5-6) has won three of the last four games played in the series.

1983 Egg Bowl had one of the great all-time endings. Down by 24-23 with 24 seconds to play in the game, MSU freshman kicker Artie Crosby attempted a 27-yard field goal to win the game. Crosby's kick appeared headed straight and long, but as the ball reached the goal post, a 40 mph wind suspended the ball inches from the uprights, as it fell short, securing the Ole Miss win.

\* The 1992 Stand: Ole Miss kept MSU out of the end zone in the waning minutes. MSU had 11 chances from inside the Ole Miss 10 but failed to score in the 17-10 Rebels win.

#### Defensive Player of the Week Nomination

Ty Williams, Junior, Defensive Back, Charleston, Miss.

Posted a team-high tying eight tackles – all solo – including one for a loss of five yards. Added a pair of pass breakups, helping set the tone to start the fourth quarter with one of those breakups. His TFL came on the opening play of the Bulldogs' final drive, pushing them back to 2-and-15.

#### Notes

\* The Golden Eagles finished the home portion of their schedule with a 5-1 re-

#### **Titles of the great Egg Bowl games**

\*Drought Finally Over: The Bulldogs snapped an 18-year losing streak that dated back to 1946 with the 20-17 win in 1964.

\*The Immaculate Deflection: The

\*No Name Game: The 1997 contest has no name but provided another close contest and perhaps the most exciting finish ever in the series. Stewart Patridge hit Andre Rone for a 10-yard TD pass with 25 seconds left and then found Cory Peterson over the middle on the two-point conversion attempt to give the Rebels a 15-14 win over Mississippi State.

\*The Pick and Kick in 1999: Romaro Miller's pass with 20 seconds left was deflected into the arms of MSU's Eugene Clinton, who returned it to the Ole Miss 27. Scott Westerfield then booted a 44-yard field goal to make the Bulldogs a 23-20 winner.

So on paper MSU looks like a big favorite, but let's play the game first. It could be interesting Thursday night in Vaught-Hemmingway Stadium, and another title could be added to the history of the series.

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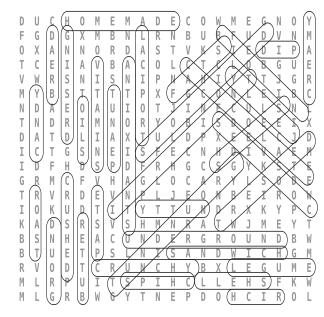
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Answers to Today's Puzzle Page



#### Today's "Guess Who?" answer: Dierks Bentley





#### Oak Grove fends off Jones College's Bobcat Math League competitors to repeat as Champions

ELLISVILLE – After battling all day at the Jones College Bobcat Math League playoff competition, the firstseeded Oak Grove Warrior team won the 2018 Championship title for the second time in recent history. It literally came down to the last question in the final round of 30-questions with the second-seeded team, the Presbyterian Christian Bobcats.

"I'm super proud of this team because they worked hard and fought to the end," said Oak Grove Math Coach, Whitney Necessary. "We lost a lot of seniors so we weren't sure how we'd do in the playoffs."

It looked like there would be some upsets in the Championship round when the sixth-seeded team, West Jones knocked off the third-seeded Sacred Heart team in the first round and the fifth-seeded Northeast Jones team blanked the fourth-seeded Wayne County team. In close matches, Oak Grove held off West Jones, 26 to 19 and Presbyterian Christian fended off the Tigers of Northeast Jones, 24 to 19. Sacred Heart finished off the Mustangs of West Jones in the following round, 29 to 17 and Northeast Jones fell to Wayne County, 10-5.

Oak Grove would have to battle against the Wayne County War Eagles twice before getting to the Championship round of the double-elimination competition. Losing in the first round of the semifinals, Oak Grove was uncertain about their fate. Wayne County came out blazing earning 26 points, keeping Oak Grove scoreless and desperate to win. The Warriors tried to regroup during the third-seeded Sacred Heart match against the undefeated Presbyterian Christian team in the semi-final round. "It was a little intimidating at first but we got in our groove and managed to win," said Presbyterian Christian freshman, Sam Powell. It looked bleak for Oak Grove as they saw Wayne County quickly scoring again in the last attempt for both teams to earn a spot in the Championship round. Wayne County's Luke Bowles earned the first five points against Oak Grove, with Nicholas Cooksey and Dakota Brewer assisting to put the Warriors up 15 points. Oak Grove sophomore, Ethan Choi answered correctly on the fourth question, helping his sister and senior, Erin Choi

to earn two bonus points. The score remained 15 to 7 until Warriors' sophomore Tegus Kotikalapudi earned five points on a math question to bring the Oak Grove score to 12. Wayne County's Brewer tried to take control earning five more points but Oak Grove's Ria Patel answered with fivepoints and the Choi siblings added seven more points on the next question ending the match with Oak Grove ahead, 24 to 20. The War Eagles ended the series in fourth place overall.

In the first match-up between the two Hattiesburg area schools, it appeared Presbyterian Christian had the edge coming into the final round as the only undefeated team in the playoffs. PCS quickly scored 12 points by the ninth round of questions with the Warriors scoreless. However, Oak Grove's Ethan Choi and Kotikalapudi managed to disrupt the 12 point lead the Bobcats had on the Warriors in the first half of the final match by scoring the team's first, 7 points. The momentum continued with the two gaining 10 more points. In the second half of the final "Super Bowl" round between the Warriors and the Bobcats, Kotikalapudi and Choi were hot on the buzzer with the correct answers in the math and science categories and racked up 22 points and kept PCS from scoring again until late in the half. Presbyterian Christian's Matthew Morgan managed to get the next science estion correct giving Carson Dorsey and Jackson Polk the opportunity to earn two-points each by correctly answering the bonus questions. The Bobcats earned 21 points and were ready to close the gap when Kotikalapudi took control two questions later. Ethan Choi answered the bonus question correctly surging the Warriors' score to 29. Then, answering the next technology question, PCS freshman, Sam Powell scored 5-points correctly giving the Bobcats 26 points. It appeared PCS was going to win the match when Dorsey earned 5 points allowing Polk to score a two-point bonus. On the 28th question, the score was in favor of PCS, 33 to 29. The two teams failed to answer the following question leaving it all to be decided by the final question about engineering. Kotikalapudi buzzed in first and correctly answered, ending the match with the Oak Grove Warriors winning by one-point,

34 to 33.

"I'd like to thank Percy Jackson!" exclaimed Kotikalapudi. "I read the books and watched the movie about Percy Jackson and I remembered the part about Archimedes screw in Greek mythology and that's how I knew the answer to the last engineering related question. Also, I'd like to thank my fifth-grade Accelerated Reading class because I read a lot of books which helped me today."

The Oak Grove Warriors captured the title, 2018 JC Bobcat Math League Champions for the second time with the team coming in second place last year and first place in 2016. Oak Grove High School, their coach, and the team earned a total of \$3,250 this year, as well as trophies, plaques, medallions and scholarships to Jones for the senior team members. Presbyterian Christian's last appearance in the finals happened in 2014 and 2013 when they took the title both years. The second place school, coach and team earned a total of \$2,725 this year, as well as trophies, plaques, medallions and scholarships to Jones for the senior team members. In 2012, the Bobcats were runnerups so perhaps this could be the beginning of another series of wins for Presbyterian Christian. Sacred Heart ended the day in third place taking home \$2,000. The fourth place Wayne County team and its coach earned \$1.525.

Sacred Heart's Ben Dunn earned a laptop from Howard's era; Quitman HS, Logan Kelly; Raleigh HS, Trace Bowen; Sacred Heart, Ben Dunn; Wayne Academy, Hannah Burke & Ryan Miller; Wayne County HS, Nicholas Cooksey & Joshua Curry, and West Jones HS, Eva Kiparizoska.

Sponsors of the Bobcat Math League at Jones College include the Chisholm Foundation, Corner Market, Jones County EDA, Wayne County Economic Development District and Howard Computers.

Results are posted on the JC Bobcat Math League web page under "Division Standings/ Schedules at: http://www.jcjc. edu/bobcatmathleague/ and the Facebook page: Bobcat Math League - Facebook as well as local media outlets. For more information about the Bobcat Math League contact Dr. Jessica Bunch (JC Bobcat Math League Commissioner) at 601-477-5422 or email at jessica.bunch@jcjc.edu.

Computer as the overall individual with the highest average accuracy rate during the regular season and the title, the Most Outstanding Player. He is also a member of the All-League team, which recognizes the top scoring individuals during the regular season. Other All-League team members include Erin Choi-Oak Grove, Nicholas Cooksey and Joshua Curry from Wayne County, Maxwell Dobbs-Laurel High School, Grayson Nocera-Presbyterian Christian, Remy Poirrier-Sacred Heart and Sam Powell-Presbyterian Christian. The Most Outstanding Players from each of the thirteen participating schools were: Columbia Academy, Warren Parker; Heidelberg HS, Jamicgra Morgan; Laurel HS, Maxwell Dobbs; Northeast Jones HS, Lexi Berlin; Oak Grove, Erin Choi; Perry Central, Shanna Stewart; Presbyterian Christian HS, Grayson Noc-

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