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Pelahatchie VFD gets new truck and rating

By Susie A. Wolfe

Citizens of Pelahatchie can be proud of their fire department. Not only did they get a better rating, but they will be getting a new truck. Also, their response time this year has been clocked at only eight minutes.

Fire Chief Karl VanHorn was recently informed about the new rating that will save residents 10-15 percent on annual premiums.

VanHorn also recently found out the VFD received a FEMA grant to purchase a new truck. He drafted the \$360,000 FEMA assistance to fire fighters grant request. They are currently taking bids, but expect the new truck to carry 3,000 gallons of water, have camera backup and be able to dump water on either side. The Town is required to match 5% of the funds, or \$17,000.

"The new fire truck will be one of

four trucks of the VFD. It will replace the 1984," said VanHorn, who has been fire chief since October 2016, he also wrote the grant that got the VFD a 2009 grant for \$210,000 that supplied a rescue brush truck.

VanHorn also serves as Pelahatchie city fire coordinator and emergency management for the Town. He oversees building inspections, hydrant testing and maintenance, vehicle testing, tornado sirens and the upcoming safe room being built at Milltown Park. VanHorn, who started working with the Town in August 2006, spends an estimated 1,200 hours a month with his local duties, in addition to being a full-time captain at the Flowood Fire Department.

"We do things to bring training and knowledge to protect the community," he said.

His vision for the PVFD is to be well trained and to have every person



Photo by Pelahatchie News

Fire Chief Karl VanHorn is excited that the Town got a lower fire rating, will be getting a new fire truck and that his team is getting better trained to better serve the Town.

go home to their families. He said he works with the great people who

are dedicated to the Town. He said he couldn't ask for better folks.

Sarrett named Entrepreneur of the Year

By Susie A. Wolfe

Marlo Sarrett was named Entrepreneur of the Year by the Rankin Chamber at the September 26 Annual Banquet held at the Muse Center. She has been a partner in Brickhouse Fitness since 2014, and is the owner of MS Consulting Group.

Sarrett opened MS Consulting Group in July 2016, to provide Quickbooks sales, support, and consulting services. As an authorized Intuit reseller, they assist clients in making the right decision on which products will work best, as well as provide the best pricing available on software. They sell all Intuit products, including computer checks and other business supplies. Sarrett, who is ProAdvisor certified, has one employee, April Burns, at her office in Brandon.

"I love to build stuff and watch it grow," said Sarrett. She is also part of this year's Rankin Chamber Leader-



Photo by Pelahatchie News

Marlo Sarrett (left) was named Entrepreneur of the Year at the September 26 Rankin Chamber Annual Banquet. She is the owner of MS Consulting in Brandon and co-owner of Brickhouse Fitness in Pelahatchie. She is pictured with Chamber President Johnny Beck.

ship Class.

According to Michelle Carter, Sarrett's partner at Brickhouse Fitness, "Marlo is an extremely intelligent individual with a thirst for knowledge.

She is quick to catch on to new ideas and concepts, and she is always up for a challenge...I am so proud of her for winning this award. It is well deserved."

Sarrett married her husband, Justin, in 1999, and within 30 days, they had opened their first business, Tri-State Industrial, that made rubber products for industries. In 2002, they opened TGC (transformers, gaskets, components) in the Pelahatchie Industrial Park where she served as CFO, in Pelahatchie. They sold that business to Emerald Transformers in 2013, and Justin has recently launched Trans Armour, a company specializing in coatings for power transformers.

The Sarretts also own Broken Arrow Outfitters in the Leesburg area that specializes in Whitetail Deer Hunts. Broken Arrow, opened in 2012, operates a lodge where it schedules hunts for groups of six or seven for bow-hunting during the October to January 30 deer season.

The Sarretts have two sons, Jordan, 17, who attends Pelahatchie High School, and Colin, 13, who is a student at East Rankin Academy.



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From the desk of the Mayor: Pelahatchie moves forward



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By Ryshonda H. Beechem, Mayor of Pelahatchie

Everything is looking up for Pelahatchie! We are getting into gear with our Halloween Trunk Out or Treat and National Night Out. This year, it's going to be exciting-we will have a haunted house right here in downtown Pelahatchie. We are moving forward.

Muscadine Jubilee was a success; and we appreciate everyone's support. We are looking forward to next year's Muscadine Jubilee as well as a host of other events. We would also like to thank Priority One Bank for sponsoring our Celebrity Muscadine Stomp every year, this is truly a success every year.

Pelahatchie sent a trailer to Texas to help the victims of the hurricane. This could have

been us. This warms my heart to see all our area churches participate in this wonderful event.

We are having a fundraiser by selling Pelahatchie "The Place to Prosper" t-shirts. Please visit City Hall for more information.

My door is always open...Pelahatchie is truly "The Place to Prosper."



Photo by Pelahatchie News

Mayor Beechem wore a "Pelahatchie The Place to Prosper" t-shirt at the 2017 Muscadine Jubilee. The shirts are available for purchase.

Chief's Comments: National Night Out to be celebrated Halloween Night



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By Guest Columnist Chief Kevin Poole, Pelahatchie Police Dept.

National Night Out is a national campaign bringing the community together with local law enforcement officers. The date was moved back from August to October to take advantage of the cooler weather.

This year, the police department, along with local volunteers, will have a Haunted House in the building next to the police station on Brooks Street downtown. Plans are still being made, but they propose to have it open the weekend before for \$1 to help fundraise for Milltown Park.

To promote a safe environment, Brooks Street in front of the police department will be blocked off on Tuesday, October 31, for Truck or Treat, booths and outdoor cooking, plus access to the Haunted House.

The Police Department was out



Photo by Pelahatchie News

Neal McCoy at 2017 Muscadine Jubilee.

in full force during the Muscadine Jubilee in September. With around 5,000 in town for the event, order was maintained by our force and help from the Rankin County Sheriff's Department. There were six missing kids that were returned within minutes, plus three medical incidents that were handled by our trained police/emergency-trained staff.



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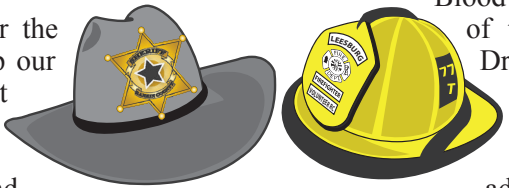
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The Rankin County Bucking Bronc Bash will be held on Sunday, October 15, at 2 p.m. eight miles north of Pelahatchie on Highway 43. It is organized by local bronc rider/farmer Cole Bilbro.

"I thank God for the opportunity to help our community and first responders," said Bilbro.

This is the second event raising money for the Rankin County Sheriff's Office and the Leesburg Fire Department. Over \$3,000 was raised at the 2015 event, in which 300-500 attended.

National Final Rodeo (NFR) star Cody DeMoss, as well as 12 saddle bronc rider, 10 bareback riders, 12 bull



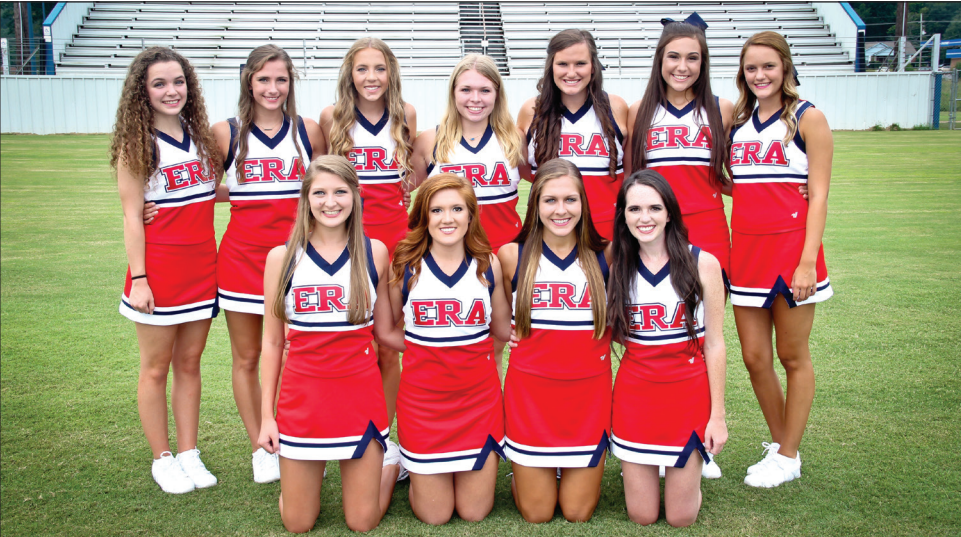
riders and 10-12 barrell racers will be on hand to compete. There is a \$10 admission, with kids 12 and under free. There will also be a Kid's Zone with ponies to pet or ride and fire vehicles for the kids to explore.

There will also be a Mississippi Blood Services Battle of the Badges Blood Drive at the event. The team that gets the most blood donations will get an added cash bonus according to Bilbro.

Gold Buckle sponsors of the event include Lyle's Power Equipment, Newton's Fine Jewelry, Noel Daniels Used Cars, Rankin First, Community Bank, Runnels Plastic Surgery Center, and Helena Chemical.

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ERA Varsity Cheerleaders



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The 2017 East Rankin Academy (ERA) Varsity Cheerleaders pictured (l to r) are, front row: Kaeleigh Thompson, Ally Purvis, Abigail Baggett, and Bailey Tullos; and top row: Rachel Sikora, Hannah Howard, Madalyn Edwards, Paige Loper, Mallory Cole, Taylor Hudson and Mollie Macon. Not pictured is Lauren Shoemaker.



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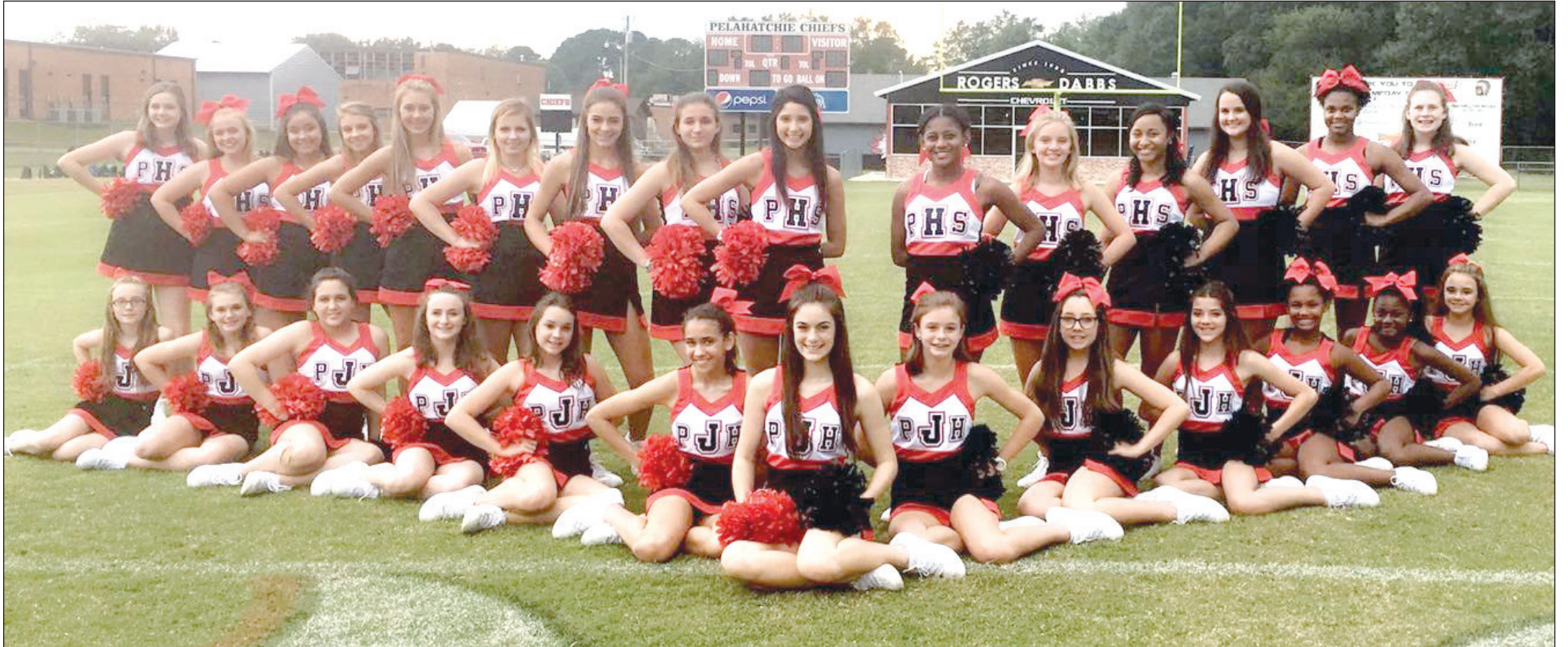
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Pelahatchie High School cheerleading squad



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The Pelahatchie High School (PHS) Junior High Cheerleaders pictured (l to r), front row, are: Haylee Atkinson; Madelyn Cain; Madison Broome; Adlyn Till; Camden Patton; Chrystianna Beeman; Haley Mills, co-captain; Maddie Walters; Jalyne Waters; Bethany Quick; Alana Hobson; Jinodja Holifield; and Macy McCamon.

The Pelahatchie High School Cheerleaders pictured (l to r), back row, are: Olivia Sirmon; Sydni Goldman; Scarlett Castillo; Skye Bowman; Grace Alman; Hannah Lawrence; Isabella Rust; Rose Gibney; Leilani Key, co-captain; Zharia Holifield, co-captain; Katie Belle Boyer; Tiara Collier; Dana Bennett; Jada Hodges; and Meghan Herrington. Not pictured are Morghan Hobson; Bailey Johnson; Jarrett Horton; and mascot, Kanosha Holifield. Managers are Airrianna Beeman and Gracie Jones, and Coaches are Kessie Key and Megan Thompson.



SOUTHERN PINE ELECTRIC ADDS ELECTRONIC VOTING OPTION FOR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Southern Pine members now have the option to vote online for the upcoming director election to be held at the annual membership meeting on Thursday, November 9, 2017. Traditional paper notice of annual meeting and proxy ballots will be mailed on October 11, 2017. Follow the simple voting instructions to cast your vote by mail or online by using the Southern Pine website – www.southernpine.coop.

This is an additional option for the convenience of our members but you can still vote by mail if you prefer. Voting is easy and fast. Cast your vote by mail or electronically and be entered for a chance to win several prizes, including a retired pickup truck from the Southern Pine fleet. You do not have to be present to win!

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Push forward, avoid distractions



By Dr. Bryan Marshall,
Pelahatchie High School Principal

Yet another year is in full swing, and the routine has set in. Hunting season and the Fair are going to be here before we know what happened.

Parents and guardians, be mindful of the many distractions of the fall, and pay close attention to grades through your PowerSchool portals. The students are doing great and working hard, and this has been one of the smoothest starts to the school year ever. Your children play a major role in the start of a school year, and they came ready to learn. So, thank you to each parent and guardian for sending us the students who are kind, respectful, and eager to learn.

Our Lexiles have never been higher, and we truly expect those scores to turn into high ACT scores. Be mindful that we are still focused heavily on literacy and building that capacity in our

students, so please remember to help us with this endeavor at home by practicing on Achieve 3000 or by simply reading for enjoyment. All tenth-grade students need to start thinking about registering for the ACT assessment as soon as possible, so we can qualify for Dual Enrollment options as a junior. For junior and senior students, we need to push forward and work hard toward improving our ACT score no matter how good it is already. So, keep working hard and continue to show the Chieftain Spirit and Pride.

The football team is off to a GREAT start and the band is following in with them. The band has done a tremendous job and is continuing to improve each week. Soon basketball will be starting, and we are expecting great things this season. Soccer will start in November, and the girls look to make it back to the playoffs for the third year in a row. The weight room is nearing completion, and we hope to let everyone tour the facility the night of the homecoming game.

So, as you can see, there is a lot going on at Pelahatchie High and a lot for us to all be proud of. Go Chiefs. OUR TRIBE OUR PRIDE #get involved

It's all about Pre-K



By Guest Columnist
Lisa Attkisson,
Pelahatchie Elementary School Principal

Pelahatchie Elementary Pre-K has gotten off to a fantastic start. Mrs. Sirmon, Mrs. Thomas, and their Little Chiefs enjoy a day filled with literacy and math lessons in a print rich environment.

The teachers also work with students on strengthening their social and emotional development. Research shows the early years of school are critical to a students' academic success, so Pelahatchie Elementary continues to work with the students daily to meet their individual needs, with regards to early childhood education, health and well-being. Through the Pre-K experience,

the children's readiness is targeted so the transition to Kindergarten will be more seamless and smooth as we move from GREAT to BEST.

Call or stop by the school to place your future Little Chief on the screening list for pre-kindergarten. For more



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information or to schedule a classroom visit contact Tedra Sirmon, Pre-K teacher at PHS, at 601-854-8060 or email tsirmon@rcsd.ms.

PES Pre-K students get involved



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Pelahatchie High School Cheerleaders Morgan Hobson and Olivia Sirmon read to the pre-kindergarten class at Pelahatchie Elementary School on spirit day when students wore their pajamas to school.



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Kayson Garver was excited to see and get a high five from the PHS football players at the pep rally.



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Pelahatchie HS 2017 Homecoming Court



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The 2017 Pelahatchie High School Homecoming Court is pictured (l to r), front row, are: Bailey Johnson, Isabella Rust, Leilani Key, Zharia Holifield, Makia Lewis, Kanosha Holifield, Lanie Burkes, Sydni Goldman, Scarlett Castillo, Collins Doster, and Maddie Grace Walters; back row: Skylar Varnes, Tiara Collier, Morgan Boyd, Makayla Minett, Tyra Jones, Morghan Hobson, Anna Attkisson, Aliza Myers, Kimberly Cochran, Haley Mills, and Camden Patton.



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Fairley recognizes supporter



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Coach Pearlene Fairley, Pelahatchie High School (PHS) girls basketball coach, surprised Linda Brewer at St. Dominic's Health Clinic with a plaque in September that was a "special thank you for support and contributions."

PHS August's Students of the Month



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Congratulations to August's Student of the Month winners pictured (l to r), front row, are: Kiara Gray, JT Magee, Morgan Boyd, Katie Belle Boyer, and Mrs. Laura Grice (Teacher of the Month); and back row: Cecil Ballard, Harrison Till, Brady Davis, Arrianna Beeman, Devon Day, Anna Grace Carter, and Katie Bayliss. Not pictured are Chloe Walters, Hannah Whitney, Malori Scherer, Brandy Bell, and JD Williams.

Chieftacular entertains the crowd



Photo by Pelahatchie News

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Chieftacular is made up of sixth grade students that attend Pelahatchie Elementary School.

The members this year are Addison Archie, Gracie Grogan, Chevelle Hav-

en, Abby Grace Hemeter, Olivia Lase-ter, and Petyon Sanders.

At the recent Muscadine Jubilee, they sang a selection of songs about the school, the flag, the country and Mickey Mouse. Sheila Sharplin is the director.

OBITUARY

John Thomas Gray
July 22, 1930-Sept. 23, 2017

John Thomas "Rusty" Gray, 86, a resident of Pelahatchie, MS, passed away Saturday, September 23, 2017, at Mississippi Baptist Medical Center in Jackson, MS. Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Monday, September 25, 2017, at Crossroads Baptist Church in Pelahatchie, MS, with interment in the church cemetery. Visitation was held Sunday, September 24, 2017, from 4-7 pm at Ott and Lee Funeral Home in Brandon, MS.

Mr. Gray was a native of the Coopersville Community in Scott County, MS. He was the son of William Guy Gray and Clara Bell Cooper. He was a member of the Crossroads Baptist Church in Pelahatchie, MS. Mr. Gray was a retired Captain with the Jackson Fire Department in Jackson, MS. He was a member of the Five Alarm Fireman's Club. He loved his family and spending time with them brought great

joy to his life. He will be missed by all who loved and knew him.

Mr. Gray was preceded in death by his parents, William Guy Gray and Clara Bell Cooper.

Mr. Gray is survived by his children, Joan (Steve) Booker of Walnut, MS, Stan (Cindy) Gray of Perry, GA, and Susan Jones of Lena, MS; sister, Betty Crawford of Pelahatchie, MS; brother, Billy (Sandra) Gray of Pelahatchie, MS; grandchildren, Lindsey Kennedy of Anchorage, AK, SrA. James Kennedy of Fairchild Air Force Base, Spokane, WA, and Ginny (Brent) Nasworthy, Texas; special niece and nephew, Tammy Crawford (Willis) Clark; great niece Brittany Clark (Chase) Smith and her son, Kiptyn Smith; special caregiver, Anna Gipson; other family members and a host of friends.

Serving as pallbearers were Jim Lewis, Sam Means, Austin Key, Tommy Key, Jr., Bill Brown and Marty Gray.

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Breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death in women

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According to the American Cancer Society, breast cancer is the most frequently diagnosed cancer in women. In 2017, invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in about 252,710 women and 2,470 men in the United States.

An estimated 41,070 breast cancer deaths (40,610 women, 460 men) will occur in 2017. Breast cancer

is the second-leading cause of cancer death in women. The female breast cancer death rate declined by 38 percent from its peak in 1989 to 2014 due to improvements in early detection (through increased awareness and screening) and treatment, translating to 297,300 fewer breast cancer deaths.

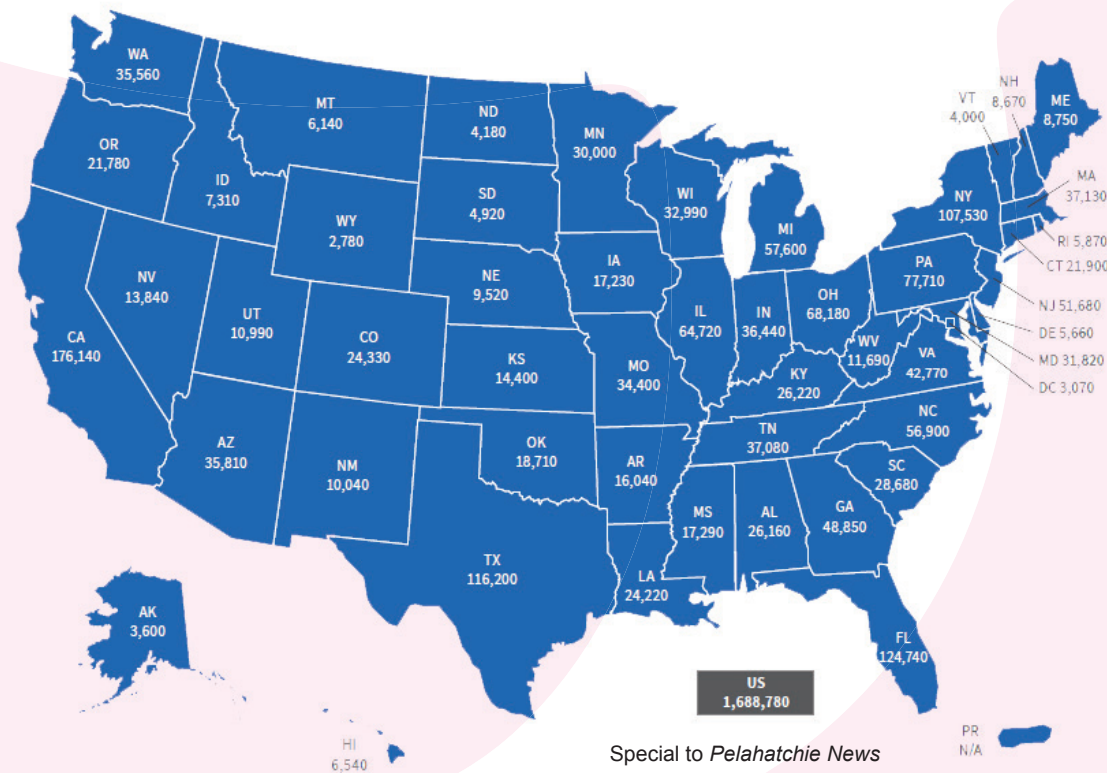
The most common symptom of breast cancer is a lump or mass in the breast. Less common symptoms include

other persistent changes to the breast, such as thickening, swelling, distortion, tenderness, skin irritation, redness, scaliness, and nipple abnormalities or spontaneous nipple discharge.

The 5- and 10-year relative survival rates for invasive breast cancer are 90 percent and 83 percent, respectively. Sixty-one percent are diagnosed at a localized stage (no spread to lymph nodes, nearby structures, or other lo-

cations outside the breast), for which the 5-year survival is 99 percent.

Ways individuals can support the American Cancer Society in the Jackson area include participating in the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk on October 28, as well as participation in Real Men Wear Pink. To find a physician, check out mymeritdoctor.com, where all Merit Health physicians can be found.



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How to protect your loved one from financial abuse



By Guest Harvey Lott, Vice President, PriorityOne Bank

Financial exploitation is one of the most common forms of abuse committed against older Americans.

"Older Americans currently hold more than two-thirds of all U.S. deposits, making them highly susceptible to scams, exploitation and abuse," said Corey Carlisle, ABA Foundation executive director.

To help older Americans and their caregivers protect themselves or their loved ones from financial abuse, the ABA Foundation is offering the following tips:

- Plan ahead to protect your assets and to ensure your wishes are followed.
- Carefully choose a trustworthy

person with your best interest at heart to act as your agent in all estate-planning matters.

- Never give personal information, including your Social Security, account number or other financial information to anyone over the phone unless you initiated the call and the other party is trusted.
- Stay alert to common fraud schemes.
- Never rush into a financial decision. Ask for details in writing.
- Check references and credentials before hiring anyone. Don't allow workers to have access to information about your finances and make sure to lock up your checkbook, account statements and other sensitive information when others will be in your home.
- Pay with checks and credit cards to keep a paper trail.

- You have the right not to be threatened or intimidated. If you believe you are a victim of elder financial abuse, contact your local Adult Protective Services, tell someone at your bank or call your local police for help.

In 2016, ABA Foundation launched its Safe Banking for Seniors campaign to encourage banks to spread awareness and educate older customers and their families on safe banking practices. For more information on ABA Foundation's Safe Banking for Seniors initiative, visit aba.com/seniors.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Harvey Lott is a vice president at PriorityOne Bank and



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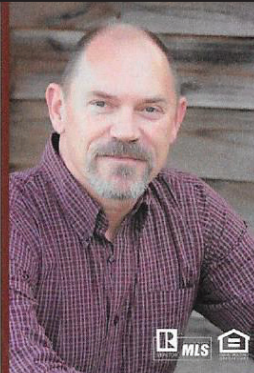
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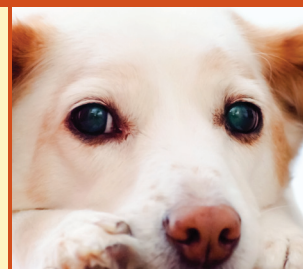
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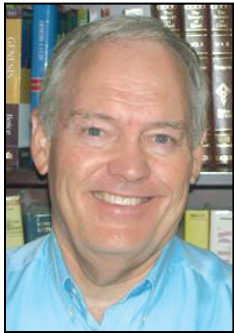
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Pastor's perspective: Looking forward to a great family reunion



By Guest Columnist
John Vaughn, Pastor,
Cross Roads Baptist
Church

Recently, I attended my family reunion. I don't get to go often, because it is always on a Sunday, and I have regular responsibilities every Sunday! But this year, I

asked for a day off so that I could go to the reunion. And I'm glad that I did. The attendance was down from previous years. (Maybe they heard I was coming....)

Actually, some were sick. Some had to work or had other commitments. And some sent word that they just forgot it was that day. But those that came enjoyed the time together. I got to see my two sisters and some cousins. The oldest member of our family still living was there. She's my 92 year old aunt, and she drove herself to the reunion! I also met some relatives that I had never met before. And of course, there was more food than could be eaten in a month of Sundays.

After the reunion, we visited the fam-

ily cemetery, which is located nearby. At the center of the cemetery are the graves of Jim and Mary Vaughn, who came to the Mississippi Territory to settle in 1833. The territory had recently been opened for settlement by the Treaty of Dancing Rabbit Creek. The Choctaws had been moved to Oklahoma.

It is said that Jim and Mary's first home in the new land was an abandoned Choctaw hut. They lived there several years, until they could get a house built. Nearby, they found some graves that they supposed were those of Choctaws. Jim and Mary are buried at the site of that Choctaw Indian hut. And because of the Choctaw burial sites, the cemetery is registered as the Twin Cemetery.

From Jim and Mary to my parents, Willard and Arlene, there is a line of five generations of Vaughns buried in that cemetery. My plans are to be buried there some day, making the sixth generation in the same cemetery.

Family reunions are important events. We can visit and keep family ties strong. And cemeteries allow us to



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remember our history and understand better where we came from.

Family ties and cemeteries are also important from a spiritual standpoint. Paul talks about God's family in Romans 8:14-17, "For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, 'Abba, Father.' The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. Now, if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory." All those who have faith in Christ become the children of God.

As Bill Gaither's song says, "You will

notice we say 'brother and sister' 'round here - It's because we're a family and these folks are so dear; when one has a heartache, we all share the tears, and rejoice in each victory in this family so dear.

I'm so glad I'm a part of the family of God - I've been washed in the fountain, cleansed by His blood! Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod, For I'm part of the family, the family of God."

Cemeteries also play a prominent role in Christian faith. As we know, Jesus was buried in a borrowed tomb. And, 1 Thessalonians 4: 16-18 assures us that those who know Christ will not be in the cemetery forever. "For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words."

What a great family reunion that will be, when all those who believe in Christ will gather together to spend eternity together with the Lord!

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Beware of the Southern pine beetle



By Doug Carter,
Rankin County
Extension Agent

The scientific name for the Southern Pine Beetle (SPB) is *Dendroctonus Frontalis Zimm*, which means "tree killer."

The SPB has been just that in Mississippi pine stands for hundreds, if not thousands of years. Many landowners have suffered losses, ranging from a few hundred to entire stands. This year, we seem to have a very bad infestation of SBC.

Inadequate monitoring and failing to control known infestations can result in the loss of valuable stands of pine timber. Producers have lost money when they had to clear cut prematurely or harvest during poor market conditions to avoid an expected loss to the SPB. With proper monitoring and control efforts, losses should be less than 10 percent of the stand over the course of an epidemic period.

Anytime the temperature increases above 55 degrees F, they continue to develop or even move to new trees to

continue the infestation.

The first indication of an attack is usually yellowing or browning of needles. The trunk will usually reveal white, yellow or sometimes red-brown pitch tubes, about as large as a wad of gum. Under drought conditions, these pitch tubes may be very small or absent, and only reddish-brown boring dust will be present. Removal of the bark will show a distinctive winding "S" shaped gallery pattern. This pattern is quite different from the "Y" or "H" shaped gallery patterns of the Ips Beetle and is a good identification characteristic.

In a forest situation, there are several control techniques available for SPB infestations:

- **Salvage removal**, many times the trees involved in the infestation can be sold. Even if it is sold as just pulpwood, and the operation just breaks even. The beetles are removed from the property with the trees.
- **Cut and leave**, this technique is the same as salvage removal except that the trees are not removed from the area. It is important to fell the trees toward the middle of the infestation. However, we need



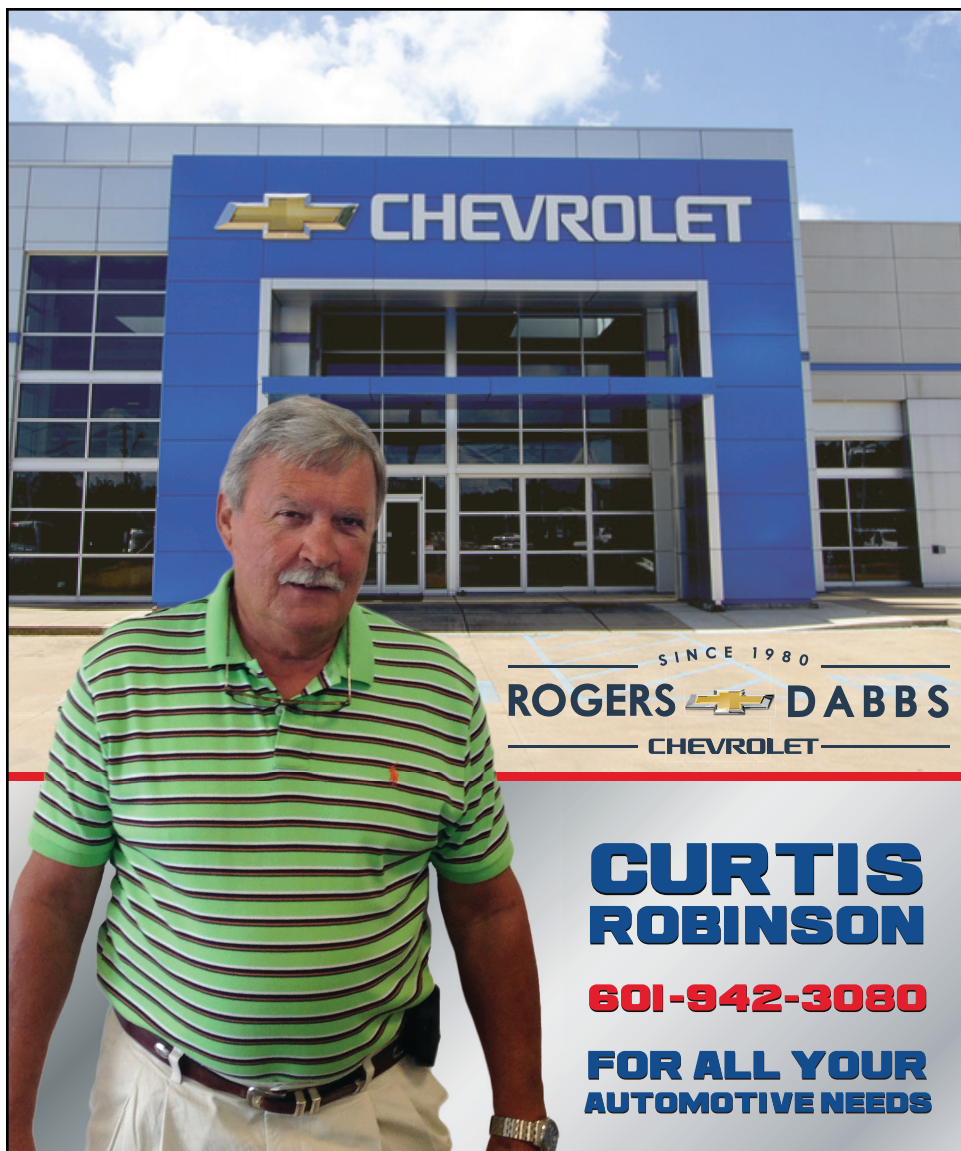
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to avoid a large pile of wood that shades the infested bark. Direct sunlight can increase the temperature enough to kill the beetles.

- **Pile and burn**, this is probably the oldest of the control tactics. It is very effective when properly used,

but the labor required to cut, stack and burn the infested trees can be expensive.

Again, this summer we seem to have had a very bad outbreak of SPB, so please check your pine timber.



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Pelahatchie High School Band is growing



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For the first time ever since the band began two years ago, the Pelahatchie Band performed wearing traditional band uniforms during the Friday, September 29 football game. The Pelahatchie High School Band competed in the Excalibur Band Competition held at West Lauderdale High School in Collinsville, MS, on September 30, 2017. They will also compete in the 39th Annual Copiah Marching Band at Copiah Academy in Gallman, MS, on October 7, 2017. The members of the Pelahatchie High School band are pictured here. The members include: Sydni Goldman, Makenzie Hester, Malori Scherer, Michelle Moore, Emarie McGill, Cheyla Munoz, Brianna Myers, Gracie Thompson, Madeline Pierce, Mackenzie Waggoner, Abigail Dawson, Iyana Newsome, Brenna Renfro, Telaiah Lewis, Holden Gray, Chloe Walters, Landin Pierce, Malcolm McGee, Emmie Hoard, Mariah McGill, Sandra Lewis, Anna Scherer, Olivia Sirmon, Josh Jenkins, Caleb Watkins, Devon Day, Levi Goldman, Randy Thompson, Tyia Hoard, DeMarkus McNair, Kyle Boykin, and Jordan White.

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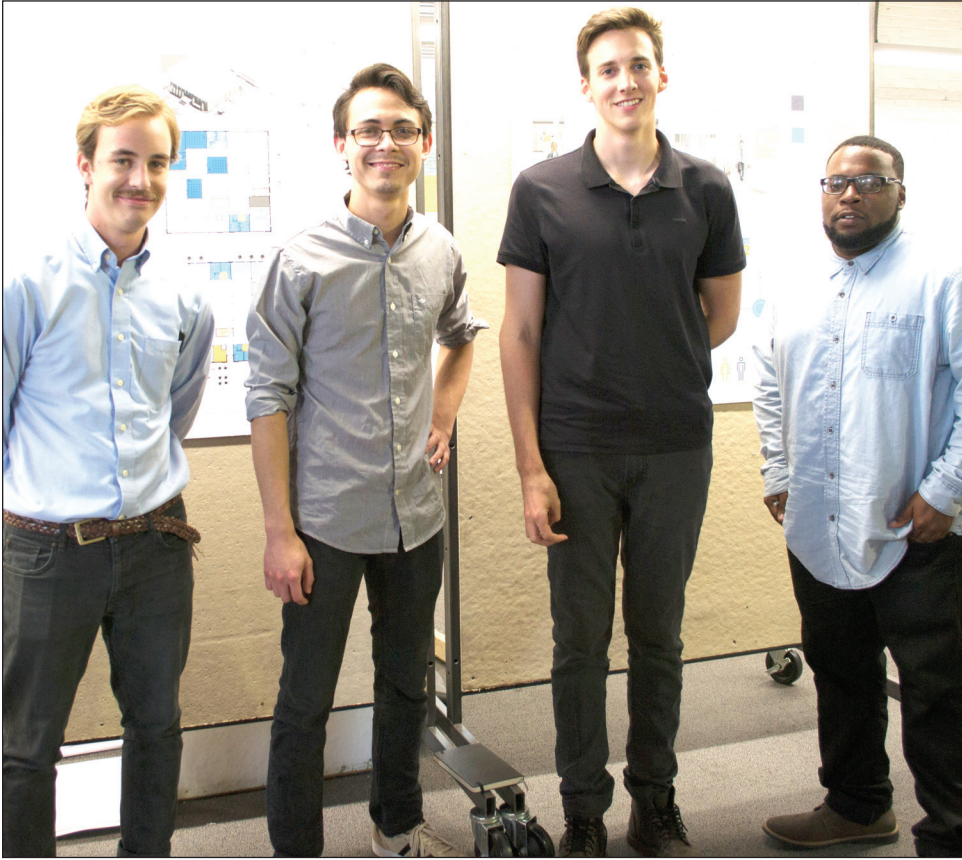
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MSU Student Pittman wins first place



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Alan C. Pittman is among the students that were in a first place-winning group for innovative ways to redesign classrooms and other spaces in a Starkville school building, which also included one art, two building construction science and three interior design majors who recently presented proposals. Pictured (l to r) are: MSU senior architecture majors Mitchell D. Hubbell of Pensacola, Florida; Lee Bryant of Starkville; Alan C. Pittman of Pelahatchie; and Kirkland C. Webber of Holly Springs. The group projects were part of an annual student design competition sponsored by Birmingham, Alabama-based construction firm Brasfield and Gorrie.

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