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**STIRBLING ROAD, HIGHWAY 463**

## Traffic study delays Mannsdale school

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**MANNSDALE** — A required traffic study tied to federal funding will delay construction of a new sixth-grade building on the grounds of the existing upper elementary school here.

The study involves Stribling Road and Mississippi 463 and traffic flow around the

Mannsdale Upper Elementary School grounds.

“MDOT will specify the requirements of the study and it is expected to take 11 weeks to complete,” said Gene Wright, spokesperson for the Madison County School District.

Richard Burge, assistant Superintendent of the Madison County Schools, told county supervisors on Monday that

the school building construction project had already been advertised but will be re-bid because bids came in over budget.

“Our initial bid was back in July, but it came in well over budget so we had to go back to the drawing board,” Burge said, adding that the district had since learned of the traffic study requirement from the Mississippi Department of

Transportation mandated by the federal government.

The traffic study is required in order to receive \$750,000 in Coronavirus relief funding the Legislature appropriated for the traffic project earlier this year.

The school construction project will not be rebid until after the traffic study is complete, Wright said.

“Our original completion

date was May of 2023,” Burge said. “With this delay it will end up being about October or November 2023, meaning that we will probably move students in that building January 2024. We can’t move them in the middle of a semester so we always try to move them in at the end of the semester or either during the summer.”

In March, the Board of Supervisors hired Stantec Con-

sulting Services Inc. for \$15,000 to produce preliminary design work and cost estimates for the intersection of Stribling Road and Mississippi 463 near the school site.

“This will give us a preliminary layout based on the study that was done for the school district out there so it will give us the turn lanes and the turn

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## homecoming



Madison Central High School had its annual homecoming festivities last week. Rowan Gentry was crowned Homecoming Queen at the game Oct. 1. Pictured left to right are Sean Brewer, MCHS Principal;

Anna Kay Bumgarner, 2020 homecoming queen; Charlotte Seals, Madison County School District Superintendent. **For more photos, see A8.**

**AMAZON**

## Supes reinstate new fire district

By **SCOTT HAWKINS**  
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The battle over a new \$1.4 million ladder truck and a fire protection district covering the new Amazon distribution center continues.

Madison County supervisors on Monday reinstated the Megasite Fire Protection District after initially creating it in August and then abolishing it last month with Madison’s Sheila Jones as the swing vote.

Where the new \$1.4 million ladder truck will be housed, however, is still up in the air.

During Monday’s regular meeting Jones of District 1 made the motion to bring back the Megasite district following what she described as a discussion she’d had with the state insurance commissioner.

Jones said she had received a call from Mississippi Insurance Commissioner Mike Chaney about the Megasite after her vote last month to abolish the district.

“He suggested that I make a motion to have the Megasite Fire District reinstated,” Jones said in making the motion. “He also suggested that we put the fire truck at Amazon because he said that our rates will be lower there than they are inside the

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**HOME-GROWN**

## Gluckstadt firefighter becomes paramedic

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**GLUCKSTADT** — Firefighter Andy Divine Jr., comes from a family of first responders so he has been around fire houses most of his life.

With the Gluckstadt Fire Department for three and a half years, the 26-year-old Divine recently became the department’s first home-grown paramedic.

Divine passed his finals last month, which means he can administer more advance life support in the field than a basic EMT.

“It meant the world to me,” Divine said. “It was a weight lifted off my shoulders. It felt great.”

The training takes about a year and includes weekly classes, a written test and a skills test as well as approxi-

mately 50 unpaid 12-hour shifts working on an ambulance or in a hospital’s emergency room.

Divine joined his older brother, Josh Harris, and younger sister, Sissy Divine, in becoming a paramedic. They both work on ambulances in Jackson.

“I wanted to join the club,” Divine said with a chuckle.

Firefighting is in his blood. His father, Andy Divine, Sr., is just a year or two shy of 20 years with the Canton Fire Department and his mother, Amy Divine, recently left the Madison Police Department after about 17 years to go to work for the Mississippi Gaming Commission.

Divine said he likes “everything” about the job.

“There really isn’t anything I don’t like,” he said. “I like being able to help people when

they need it the most.”

Divine grew up outside of Canton and went to Canton Academy. He continued his education at Holmes Community College and Mississippi State University but found his true calling working with the Farmhaven Volunteer Fire Department after high school before pursuing a career with the Gluckstadt Fire Department.

Capt. Dustin Perry said Andy Divine Jr. is the first paramedic that began his or her career with their department. Perry said the milestone is the first step in making sure they can have a paramedic on staff for every shift.

“We are proud of Andy and this means we are progressing in the right way,” Perry said. “Our goal is to have a paramedic on each shift so that we

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Gluckstadt firefighter Andy Divine Jr. recently became the department’s first home-grown paramedic. Divine has been a first responder for the last three-and-a-half years.



# Bible study group growing in Madison

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Every week more than a dozen women meet in a room at Madison United Methodist Church to study the Bible.

Amanda Sullivan is the local representative for Community Bible Study, an organization that started in Maryland in 1975 and now has groups represented throughout the nation and globally. Sullivan said the organization has groups throughout Mississippi including in Vicksburg, Greenville, Southaven, Olive Branch and now Madison County.

"It is designed for friends to study the Scriptures and encourage one another to walk closer to Christ each day," Sullivan said.

They meet from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. every Tuesday at Madison United Methodist Church at 100 Post Oak Road in Madison.

Sullivan was a 25-year member of the Greenville Community Bible Study group before moving to Madison County. Sullivan said she had been in church for most of her life but soon realized how important in-depth study of the



Bible study members gather at Madison United Methodist Church.

Bible is to her growing faith.

"I can tell you the first time I sat in that circle of 12 women I realized how little I knew about the Bible," Sullivan said. "Soon I felt more comfortable participating and to this day I am still learning."

She said as she attended

more groups and read on her own, she began to feel more comfortable sharing with the group and saw improvements in her everyday life and relationships.

Susan Dykes, a friend of Sullivan's from the Greenville group, is leading the plant and

comes to the area once a week to lead the group at Madison United Methodist Church. Dykes said the group is about 24 women strong and is currently undergoing an eight-week unit studying the book of Nehemiah that started in September.

The group started meeting in mid-May in Sullivan's home over coffee before moving to Madison United Methodist, where Sullivan is a member that let them use classroom space.

The goal is further growth. Dykes said she would like to

see a men's group, a couples' group and a children's group in addition to the established women's group. She said the group in Vicksburg has as many as 150 members and her Greenville group currently has about 100 members but has been as strong as 200 members in the past.

The group is designed to meet as a group, then break out into smaller groups of 12 or 15 individuals. Dykes said in one week members of the group will cover the material at least four times through workbooks, reading and large and small group reviews of the material.

Sullivan said the group has grown through word of mouth, and she has recruited four women through her water aerobics class.

One such recruit is Lana Anderson, who said she had been looking for and praying about finding a good Bible study group.

"I was looking for something just for me and I got a quick answer," Anderson said.

Anderson was also excited about the prospect of being part of something new.

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## Nearly 60% of Madison countians now vaccinated

Madison County has recorded 105 new COVID-19 cases and three new deaths in the past week, according to the Mississippi State Department of Health's Wednesday COVID-19 report.

Madison County has now

recorded 14,419 COVID-19 cases and 277 deaths since the pandemic began in March 2020, according to MSDH.

Madison County continues to have one of the state's highest vaccination rates with 65,232 or 61% of people hav-

ing received one dose of a vaccine and 60,064 or 57% of people having received two doses.

Statewide, since the pandemic began in March 2020, 283,313 confirmed COVID-19 cases have been recorded

by the MSDH along with 209,245 probable cases, totaling 492,558 cases. There have been 6,546 confirmed COVID-19 deaths, along with 3,222 probable deaths, totaling 9,768 deaths.

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## Traffic

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lane links that we need and also a cost estimate on what it would cost to upgrade this intersection," Tim Bryan, county engineer told supervisors during the board's March 15 meeting.

At the time, supervisors were concerned about how the

construction of the turn lanes would be funded.

"The state is going to have to help the School Board," District 2 Supervisor Trey Baxter said at the time. "We are going to have to have other sources. We can't just go after this alone. We need to find other sources of revenue to help fund this project. The state or the School Board is going to have to help. The county can't just go at it alone. This could easily be a million and a half, two million dollar project."

The Mississippi Legislature later came through, specifically funding the turn lanes at Mississippi 463 and Stribling Road in House Bill 1413 in April apportioning \$750,000 for the project from the state's Highway Infrastructure Program funds included in the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental 304 Appropriations Act of 2021.

The Mississippi Department of Transportation sent a letter dated Sept. 21 to the Board of Supervisors advising them of the funding and outlining the procedure for obtaining

the funds.

"These funds will be used in conjunction with other MDOT program funds to provide signalization and turn lanes currently warranted at this intersection," the letter states, adding that the Madison County School District's site plan for the new school includes a new access location at Mississippi 463 and Stribling Road.

After reviewing a traffic study, MDOT along with contractors and the school district determined the site needed improvement in circulation for parents picking up and dropping off students at both schools to ensure efficiency on Mississippi 463, the letter states.

"This improvement to the site circulation plan will help keep congestion of mainline traffic flow to a minimum," the letter states. "The Madison County School District will be required to submit their proposed circulation plan prior to issuance of the permit."

Burge told supervisors on Monday that the school district had only learned of the letter

last week and held a meeting last Friday to discuss it with county representatives and MDOT representatives.

"That was the first time we had heard that we were required to do a traffic circulation plan for the two campuses," Burge said. "We called a meeting with MDOT and Madison County officials last Friday and confirmed what we needed to do and right now we are in the process of getting two quotes for the traffic circulation plan and it is our understanding that shouldn't take long and we will move forward with that and take care of that."

The Madison Schools District has been planning to build a new sixth-grade school for at least a year and chose the Mannsdale Upper Elementary site after plans to build a similar school near Germantown Middle School fell through last year due to zoning restrictions and prohibitive costs of land acquisition, school officials said.

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# Updates given on Bozeman Road, Reunion projects

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Updates on three major engineering projects were provided to the Board of Supervisors during their regular meeting on Monday.

The updates were:  
• Bozeman Road — Of the 55 land purchase transactions required, Neel Schaffer engineers said 51 have been completed.

Utility companies are relocating service lines, and the county is securing a wetland permit. Construction is scheduled to begin during the summer of 2022.

• Reunion Phase II (Reunion Parkway Crossing, which consists of the eastward extension of Reunion Parkway and a North/Southbound Interchange directly onto I-55) — The required studies and plans have been submitted to the

Mississippi Department of Transportation for review. Construction is scheduled to begin in September 2022, the Mississippi Engineering Group reported.

• Reunion Phase III (from Highway 51 at Green Oaks Road to Parkway East next to the Madison Healthplex Performance Center) — All the required property has been purchased and utilities are being relocated. Construction is

scheduled to begin near the middle of 2022, Stantec engineers reported.

In other business, supervisors:

- Granted tax-exempt status to Harvest of Hope Christian Center.
- Approved hiring Integrated Right of Way LLC for right-of-way acquisition services for the Catlett Road Widening Project for a fee not to exceed \$47,875.

• Approved the final plat for Autumn Crest subdivision. The development is approximately 27.83 acres with 60 lots at roughly 1/4 acre each.

- Authorized advertising for construction bids for a pedestrian bridge at Sulphur Springs Park.
- Approved the site plan for the third phase of Gluckstadt Park which will be located on Dees Road.
- Approved the site plan for

a new warehouse on American Way for Madison Fireplace and Patio.

- Approved a preliminary plat for 12 lots on Moss and Kearney roads for Avondale Estates.
- The Board voted to hire Tommie Cardin of the Butler Snow firm to provide legal counsel on redistricting.

# Kellum hired by Gluckstadt board of aldermen to serve as first city clerk

By JOHN LEE  
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GLUCKSTADT — The city hired its first employee Tuesday night.

City Clerk Lindsay Kellum was announced during a regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen at an annual salary of \$75,000.

Kellum has worked for 12 years with the State of Mississippi in Public Service and Administration, most recently as a special projects officer for

the Mississippi Ethics Commission.

“I am honored and humbled to have been selected to serve as the City of Gluckstadt’s first city clerk,” Kellum said. “This is a historical moment and a responsibility I will not take lightly. With my long-standing values of transparency, impartiality, and a love of public service, I look forward to building the mission of the City Clerk’s Office to be reflective of these values, as we connect our community

with its local government. I’m ready to get to work on behalf of this special city and the citizens in which we serve.”

Kellum grew up in Tallahassee, Fla., and earned a bachelor’s degree in political science at Florida State University. She moved to Mississippi in 2008 and started her career in the elections division of the Mississippi Secretary of State’s Office, working mostly in the area of elections education and certification.

Kellum moved to the Ethics

Commission in 2015, serving under Tom Hood, executive director and chief legal counsel for the agency.

“Lindsay’s experience speaks for itself as she assumes the city clerk position,” said Mayor Walter Morrison. “She has a strong background at the state level and will bring valuable knowledge to her role at the municipal level. She has a history of using technology to advance efficiency and transparency in government. I welcome Lindsay’s commitment

to public service as our new city clerk.”

In her spare time, Kellum works with business owners in the Town of Livingston. She and her husband Ethan and daughter Addison live in the Gluckstadt area. Her daughter attends Germantown Middle School and is a dancer with Xpress Dance Company.

The city clerk’s duties are outlined by Mississippi state law and any ordinances, rules and regulations adopted by the City of Gluckstadt. The city

clerk performs high-level administrative, technical and professional work in directing and supervising the administration of city government and will plan, direct, manage and oversee the activities and operations of the City Clerk’s Office. The City Clerk receives policy direction from the Mayor and Board of Aldermen but also provides administrative and technical support to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen.

## District

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city because the county is cheaper, I guess taxwise, and that we need to donate an acre of land and apply for money for our future fire district.”

Jones’ motion carried 3-2 with District 5 Supervisor Paul Griffin and District 4 Supervisor Karl Banks voting against it.

District 3 Supervisor Gerald Steen then made a motion to appoint five Madison County residents to the board who will be paid \$150

per month. The board voted to appoint Matt Ratfield, Kerry Menninger, Nathan Jordan and Andrew Hughes to the Megasite Fire District Board. Paul Griffin deferred to a later date to appoint a member.

Supervisors also discussed where to house the \$1.4 million ladder truck that was paid for with a \$750,000 allocation from the Mississippi Legislature and the county paying the rest.

Board of Supervisors Attorney Mike Espy advised the board to take the matter up as an economic development discussion in executive session. After the executive session, the board announced

they would ask the Megasite board to make a recommendation at a future meeting on where to house the fire truck.

Supervisors had created the Megasite district at their Aug. 2 meeting on a motion by Steen to cover the new Amazon distribution center and other buildings in the county’s new industrial park known as the Megasite.

The board also agreed to put the ladder truck within the district taking it out of a newly created Central Fire District in Canton. That motion passed 4-1 with Banks absent.

Last month, however, District 5 Supervisor Paul

Griffin made a motion to abolish and rescind the Amazon Megasite district and place the industrial site back into the Central Madison County Fire District.

That motion carried 3-2 with District 2 Supervisor Trey Baxter and Steen voting against it and Jones voting with Banks and Griffin. The motion effectively put the new \$1.4 million fire truck in the care of the Central Fire District.

Griffin then made a motion that carried 3-2 with Baxter and Steen voting against it.

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## Divine

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can offer the same level of advanced medical treatment at every call.”

Paramedics, under the

direction of an ER doctor, can administer life-saving heart drugs in the field, for example.

Divine said this was a path

he would have pursued on his own but was encouraged along the way by Perry and GFD leadership.

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### EDITORIALS

## Failure without consequence

Achievement is rewarded in America, and failure typically isn't, but such fundamentals have fallen out of whack in Washington. President Biden and his administration commit blunders that menace the nation, and nothing happens. That's troubling. If leaders face no consequences for the damage they cause, the American people will suffer instead.

On Jan. 20, Mr. Biden undertook his lofty role when he intoned: "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the Office of President of the United States, and will to the best of my ability, preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States." Though Mr. Biden recited the presidential oath of office, he apparently has missed its implicit point: to safeguard the nation's people.

It has taken Mr. Biden less than nine months to utterly bollix his duty — by handing Afghanistan over to America's enemies and by welcoming to the United States unfamiliar and unvetted individuals, likely to number in the millions.

Recent Senate testimony by Pentagon leaders — Joint Chiefs of Staff Mark Milley, Secretary of Defense Lloyd Austin, and head of U.S. Central Command Kenneth F. McKenzie — disclosed that the president disregarded a recommendation to leave 2,500 troops in place to prevent the collapse of the U.S.-backed Afghan government. Moreover, Mr. Biden disseminated when he claimed in an Aug. 19 ABC News interview that he received no such advice from his advisers before the disastrous withdrawal.

Subsequent chaos in Kabul resulted in the killings of 13 U.S. troops, the helter-

skelter evacuation of 95,000 Afghans to the United States, and the abandonment of U.S. armaments worth billions and American citizens numbering thousands. Although his top military leaders framed the operation as "a strategic failure, Mr. Biden has clung to the delusion that the Afghanistan withdrawal as "an extraordinary success."

NATO faces day of reckoning amid Afghanistan withdrawal, China's rise. Senators' calls for their resignations in the name of accountability led Gen. Milley and Mr. Austin to respond, in essence: Go pound sand. Military failure without consequence is a formula for future defeat.

In a similarly incompetent fashion, the president is botching his duty to secure the southern border. On his orders, U.S. authorities disregard both a federal court ruling that illegal immigrants should remain in Mexico while petitioning for asylum and Title 42 of the Public Health Service Act, which authorizes an outright halt to immigration health emergencies.

The most recent border-crisis episode saw at least 12,000 Haitians who recently crossed into Texas en masse rapidly dispersed across the nation. Americans are welcoming by nature, but they can't help but bristle when settlements of uninvited refugees suddenly appear in their midst. It's little wonder that the president's job approval has fallen to a dismal 45 percent.

With no opportunity until 2024 to hold Mr. Biden accountable for his mismanagement of the nation's affairs, his failures are to be the inheritance of future generations. The country doesn't deserve this.

— *The Washington Times*

## Hispanics turning to GOP

Democrats have long assumed the Hispanic community will continue to vote in lockstep with them, as they have done historically. However, recent electoral results in California and Texas show many of these voters are shifting away from the Democratic Party as it lurches left and are aligning themselves with Republicans.

Although California Governor Gavin Newsom avoided recall this summer, he lost ground with the Hispanic community. Fifty-eight percent of Hispanics rejected the recall according to exit polls, which is a sound majority. Still, it was six percentage points less than Mr. Newsom's 2018 numbers with Hispanics. In Imperial County, which sits on the southeast corner of the state on the Mexican border and where more than 80% of its residents are Hispanic, 40% voted to recall the governor. In 2020, former President Donald J. Trump won 36.7% of Imperial County's vote, besting his numbers in 2016, where he won 26.6% of the vote.

In Texas last year, Mr. Trump improved on his 2016 presidential results by more than 23 points in the border towns of McAllen and Laredo, which are predominantly Hispanic. In the cities, such as San Antonio's Prospect Hill, which also has a majority of Hispanic residents, Mr. Trump experienced double-digit shifts toward his reelection effort, although he ultimately lost. This year, McAllen, which is 85% Hispanic, elected a Republican mayor for the first time in 24 years.

So what explains the shift? McAllen's newly elected Mayor Javier Villalobos' told Axios, "South Texas is very conservative, and Hispanics here have always voted Democratic because of our parents and grandparents out of tradition. Hopefully, they are opening up their eyes. Competition is good."

As Texas Monthly detailed last month: "for decades, the dominant ideologies in South Texas have been the same as in other rural areas and small towns across the state—that is, conservative. Many Democrats in South Texas are ardent supporters of gun rights who spend fall and winter weekends hunting white-tailed

deer. On Sundays, churches—mostly Catholic but also evangelical—swell to the brim. In hotels, mud-caked boots line the hallways at night as oil workers travel from job to job. As nine-term U.S. congressman Henry Cuellar, a Democrat whose district stretches from the banks of the Rio Grande all the way to San Antonio, told me, 'Aside from our Mexican heritage, much of South Texas has ... demographic similarities with some of the more conservative strongholds and white rural communities in the state.'"

And Democrats, for better or worse, have shifted too far left. Their assault on the oil and gas industry threatens livelihoods. Their calls for gun confiscation snarls weekend recreation. Their radical push for abortion on demand is an affront to faith. Their push to defund the police is an insult to those working in the profession, including Customs Border Protection, and a slight to communities that value safety. Their "woke" terminology of "Latinx" and dividing the country based on identity politics undermines the commonality and pride of being an American.

Republicans are making strides with Hispanics because they're focusing on the issues — the policies the community values, not what the affluent coastal elites demand. As President Joe Biden panders to his party's progressive base, more opportunity will come for the GOP to pick up ground with the Hispanic constituency. Nationally, Democrats need more than 60% of the Hispanic electorate to win. In 2020, Mr. Trump won 38% of the Hispanic vote, a 10% increase from 2016.

Currently, Mr. Biden's approval rating among Hispanics has slipped to close or beneath 50%. According to the latest Quinnipiac poll, he only has a 36% approval rating among Texas Hispanics, with a mere 26% approval on the border.

If Republicans can persuade "conservative" Hispanic voters to shift to their side on the issues, the next presidential election could be a blow-out and the 2022 midterms the next red wave.

— *The Washington Times*

PATRICK J. BUCHANAN

## Is Biden a Bernie Dem?

"We've got the president of the United States on our side," said Sen. Bernie Sanders Sunday on ABC's "This Week."

"Got 96% of the members of the Democratic caucus in the House on our side. We got all but two senators at this point in the Democratic caucus on our side. We're going to win this thing."

The socialist senator from Vermont may be overly optimistic about how the party deadlock on Capitol Hill unfolds. But about the balance of forces inside the party, and the direction where it is headed, Sanders is probably not wrong.

Progressive Democrats won the week.

President Joe Biden confirmed it by casting his lot with the liberal-left on the sequencing of the \$1.2 trillion infrastructure bill and \$3.5 trillion social safety net bill pending in Congress.

When Biden went to the Hill Friday, it was thought he was coming to rescue and liberate the Senate-passed infrastructure bill being held hostage by progressives until they got their way on the larger bill.

Progressives had threatened to sink the roads-and-bridges bill in Speaker Nancy Pelosi's House, unless they received solid assurances that both houses would simultaneously take up and approve the \$3.5 trillion bill.

When Biden reached the Hill, however, he threw in with the hostage-takers. He asked for a delay in House passage of his own infrastructure bill, until the demands of the progressives were addressed and met.

Pelosi agreed and has put off any House vote on the infrastructure bill until the end of October.

Biden had ditched the Biden Democrats and cast his lot with Sanders & Co. Let's hold off voting on my own infrastructure bill, until we can also deliver what the progressives demand of us, he was saying.

The real impediment blocking progress, Biden said, was two senators, Joe Manchin and

RICH LOWRY

## Democrats on another spending binge

If Democrats get their reconciliation bill, it won't be because they convinced the American public that its true cost is zero.

As the political prospects of the bill have sagged, Democrats are trying to recalibrate by arguing a generational spending binge really won't cost anything at all.

Citing provisions to offset the spending, Biden has said that the bill is "going to cost nothing." House Speaker Nancy Pelosi has repeated the same argument.

Trying to redefine the cost of a \$3.5 trillion bill as zero must rank among the most patently absurd attempts to change reality through a talking point ever attempted.

It's mind-bending logic that would mystify Lewis Carroll.

It's the kind of reasoning you'd expect of any bankrupt person or someone blissfully unaware that he or she is about to go bankrupt.

It's the equivalent in its transparent, willful implausibility of Donald Trump's pledge that Mexico would somehow, at some time, despite all its denials, pay for the border wall.

The fact is that spending money is, by definition, spending money.

Heretofore, this contention would have been uncontroversial. Indeed, before the reconciliation bill ran into turbulence, the point of it was that it would involve spending boatloads of money — like FDR and LBJ did.

The best defense of the Biden/Pelosi argument is that it

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Kyrsten Sinema, who are blocking the resolution of the issue, which is that all Democrats should agree to enact both bills.

By capitulating to the progressives' demand — which translates to, "Both bills or no bill!" — Biden revealed where he thinks the power in the party resides, where the future is, and what he wants as his legacy.

This is not the first time Biden has moved left to accommodate a rising consensus. As vice president, though a self-proclaimed devout Catholic, Biden stepped out in front of Barack Obama to endorse same-sex marriage.

During the 2020 campaign, Biden abandoned a lifetime belief about abortion and pledged to remove the Hyde Amendment — a restriction on federal funding of abortions — from federal law.

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But while the moderate-versus-progressive faceoff could still end in a rout for the left, the probability is that the infrastructure bill becomes law and the social safety net bill ends up between Manchin's \$1.5 trillion ceiling and its current \$3.5 trillion price tag.

One way to solve the sticker-price problem is through subterfuge — reduce the duration from, say, 10 years to five, in the expectation that no future GOP administration would terminate an entitlement program upon which millions of Americans had come to depend for half a decade.

As Milton Friedman reminded us, "Nothing is so permanent as a temporary government program."

Nevertheless, this is truly the "transformative" legislation that The New York Times depicted as providing "a cradle-to-grave reweaving of a

social safety net."

This Build Back Better bill would provide family and medical leave for illness and the birth of a child, affordable child care during infancy, two years of universal pre-kindergarten, child credits and federal income tax credits, and two years in a community college.

If passed in its present form, government will have an ever-present role in the life of a child, almost from conception until his or her early 20s.

This would also include established programs of welfare, Medicaid, aid to education, subsidized housing, rent supplements, school breakfasts and lunches, and food stamps.

If this bill does not die in the fall, what will America look like a few years hence?

Government will have expanded in both size and the numbers of employees, and in relation to a shrinking private sector. A panoply of new programs will expand eternally with the cost growing inexorably. The dependency of U.S. citizens on their government will grow.

And this doesn't even touch upon another aspect.

The IRS is to be expanded, and corporate taxes, estate taxes and capital gains taxes are to rise. Government will also step in to force a shift away from coal and oil and gas, with which the country is hugely endowed, to wager America's future on solar and wind.

Hopefully, Manchin and Sinema will employ the leverage they have to prevent the worst of the damage this historically high level of spending — with inflation already rising above 5% — will do.

But as to whether the Democrats are a Bernie party or a Biden party, Joe settled that Friday with his capitulation.

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depends on what the meaning of "cost" is.

"If Democrats intend to invest \$3.5 trillion," Steve Benen of MSNBC writes, "But they also intend to pay for all that without adding to the national debt, then for all intents and purposes, the package costs nothing."

Put aside that the reconciliation instructions say that the bill can increase the deficit by up to \$1.75 trillion over a decade.

Regardless, even if the bill is fully financed through tax hikes, it still costs something — or the tax increases wouldn't be necessary in the first place.

Think about it: Most of us who don't live in San Francisco — notoriously hit by a shoplifting spree — pay for the goods we take from stores. Of course, that means what we bought cost something.

I defy any married man to go out and buy a Ferrari 812 Superfast/GTS with \$340,000 in cash and then go home and try to tell his wife that it cost nothing because he paid for it.

That it was paid for doesn't make it less costly — indeed, it had to be paid for exactly because it costs what you'd expect of a car that goes 0-60 mph in 2.8 seconds.

It would be cold comfort to a gambler if he lost \$100,000 in the Legends Room at the Bellagio but incurred no debt in the course of doing so. He'd still be down a hundred grand.

Catherine Rampell of The Washington Post has noted the alleged unfairness of the different accounting for Republican tax cuts and Democratic spending proposals.

Tax cut bills tend to be described by using their net cost — e.g., if a bill cuts taxes by \$1 billion and raises taxes by \$100 million, it's called a \$900 million tax cut.

On the other hand, increases in spending are identified with their gross cost — e.g., if a bill increases spending by \$1 billion and raises taxes by \$900 million to pay for it, it's still called a \$1 billion spending increase.

As even she concedes, though, it makes sense to refer to the net cost of a tax bill if it is offset by other tax increases. The net number is the figure for the overall cut.

If the \$3.5 trillion reconciliation bill were entirely offset by spending cuts, it'd be fair to say that its overall cost is zero.

This, of course, is not what's happening. At the end of the day, assuming the bill doesn't collapse, Democrats will probably have to settle for more like \$1.5 trillion or \$2 trillion. And no matter what they say now, that's not nothing.

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## BIBLE SELECTION

Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring.

— Proverbs 27:1 (ESV)

## OBITUARIES

### Virginia Johnson Rankin Campbell

Virginia Johnson Rankin Campbell was born in Columbia, MS on July 31, 1925.

Her parents were Garland Howard Rankin and Beulah Johnson Rankin. She attended high school in Columbia where she was Miss Columbia High School and head majorette. Later she graduated from Belhaven College in Jackson, MS.

While in Jackson, she met her future husband, Joseph Cooper Campbell, Jr. They were married October 20, 1948 and had 47 happy years together. She and Cooper were both very active members of First Presbyterian Church in Jackson. Virginia taught Sunday school for many years, was a circle leader, head of Vacation Bible

School one year, and served on the Helping Hands and Caring Hearts committee for many years. She really felt that her ministry was visitation...of hospital, nursing homes and shut-ins. Virginia was a member for a prayer group of ladies that met every Tuesday and prayed for friends, family and national concerns for over 40 years. This meant so much to her! Virginia was a lady of many interests. She belonged to several luncheon clubs, bridge clubs and the Junior League of Jackson. She enjoyed Auburn football, Atlanta Braves baseball, the International Ballet, New Stage, the Symphony, gardening and fishing.

Virginia is survived by three children: Judy Campbell

Kimball and her husband Pierre III in Atlanta, GA and their son Pierre IV and his wife Samantha; Fidelia Campbell Taylor and her husband Michael in Madison, MS, and their son Michael and his wife Ashley; and son J. Cooper Campbell III in Madison, MS and his daughter Courtney.

Funeral services were 11:00 a.m. Wednesday October 6, 2021 at First Presbyterian Church of Jackson preceded by visitation from 10 am-11am. A Graveside Service was 9:00 am Wednesday at Parkway Memorial Cemetery in Ridgeland.

Memorials can be sent to Reformed Theological Seminary, Belhaven College, First Presbyterian Church, or French Camp Academy.

### Melody Bruce Musgrove

Dr. Melody Bruce Musgrove of Madison, MS, recently retired professor at the University of Mississippi School of Education passed away peacefully on September 27, 2021, at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN, following a valiant fight against leukemia.

Melody was born on June 9, 1960 in Clarksdale, Mississippi and grew up in Mendenhall, Mississippi graduating from Mendenhall High School in 1976.

A Memorial Service was held October 1, 2021 at Parkway Hills United Methodist Church.

Melody began her career as a classroom special education teacher and furthered her own education receiving her Masters and Doctorate degrees from The University of Southern Mississippi. Melody rose to the position of Assistant Principal of Mullens Elementary School in Brookhaven, MS, and Assistant Superintendent of Lawrence County Schools. While serving as Assistant Superintendent, Melody was named the Director of Special

Education for Mississippi. Melody initially met her husband Ronnie Musgrove in 2004 while working with the Mississippi Department of Education. They reconnected in 2005 with Ronnie's efforts to "officially" welcome Melody to Madison, MS.

On August 4, 2007, Melody married David Ronald (Ronnie) Musgrove, the 62nd Governor of Mississippi at Smith Lake, with family there to support their union. After six years as Director of Special Education, Melody became an advisor and policy consultant to LRP Publications, one of the foremost Special Education Publishers in the country. One of the true highlights of her career came in 2010, when Melody accepted a Presidential Appointment as the Director of the Office of Special Education Programs for the U.S. Department of Education. While serving as Director, Melody led the transformation of the direction of Special Education in our country. She was the second longest serving Director in the history of the office of

OSEP.

Upon retiring from OSEP and focusing on raising their son Grayson with Ronnie, Ole Miss called on Melody to teach Special Education in the School of Education and to become the Co-Director of the Graduate Center for the Study of Early Learning with Cathy Grace. Melody and her family were active members of Parkway Hills United Methodist in Madison, MS.

She was predeceased by her father and mother, Maxie Bruce, Sr. and Sarah Conerly Bruce and her daughter Amanda Erin Smith.

Those left to cherish her memory are her Husband, Ronnie Musgrove and her sons, Grayson Smith Musgrove and Michael Smith (Maggie), her brother Maxie (Mac) Bruce, Jr., and her two step-children Jordan David Musgrove (Joely) and Carmen Rae Musgrove Huang (Ian).

She is also survived by five precious grandchildren, Evelyn & John Paul Smith, Ethan & Harrison Huang, and Charles Musgrove along with her rescue dog Noah.

## BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVES/J. Ligon Duncan III

# Jesus and the law

Turn in your Bible to Matthew 5:17-20. We've been studying the Sermon on the Mount for the past few weeks and we have said so far that the Sermon on the Mount is our Lord's word to us about what it means to be a Christian in the world in which He has placed us. This week we turn to Jesus' famous statement about the law. In this passage Jesus tells us His view of the law in the Christian life. Specifically, there are four great truths that Jesus teaches here about the law. First, Jesus says that the Old Testament's commands and prophecies and promises are fulfilled in His Kingdom. Secondly, the inspiration and authority of the Scriptures is joyfully acknowledged in Christ's Kingdom. Thirdly, the Old Testament moral law is the standard of righteousness in Christ's Kingdom. And fourthly and finally, Jesus' Kingdom requires a standard of righteousness higher than anyone might ever expect.

**I. The Old Testament's Commands and Prophecies and Promises Are Fulfilled in Christ's Kingdom.**

In verse 17 Jesus says, "Do not think that I came to abolish the law of the prophets, I did not come to abolish but to fulfill them." Notice in this verse the two things that He teaches us. First, Jesus teaches us that He has not come to abolish the law. The law continues to be the perfect rule of righteousness for Christian living. It's only through the grace of God that we can begin to be who God intended us to be and to do the things God intended us to do. So Jesus makes it clear that when the law is rightly understood it is not opposed to the gospel; it goes hand in hand with the gospel. The gospel purpose is that we will be conformed to God's image.

Notice the second half of that sentence in verse 17 where Jesus says that He has not come to abolish the law, but He has come to fulfill it. His relationship to the law is one of fulfillment. What does it mean that Jesus has come to fulfill the law? It means several things. Specifically, the Lord Jesus fulfilled the law in His life. He perfectly obeyed the law. The Lord Jesus also fulfilled His law in His death. In the death of Christ, we see what we deserve but which He took upon Himself. The Lord Jesus fulfills the law in us too

as if they can trap Him into being loving and kind towards them if they'll only do certain things. And finally, legalism occurs when people confuse the weightier and lesser matters of the law and give great attention to the lesser matters of the law while ignoring the weightier matters of the law.

**II. The Inspiration and Authority of the Scriptures Is Joyfully Acknowledged in Christ's Kingdom.**

In verse 18 Jesus says, "For truly I say to you until heaven and earth pass away not the smallest letter or stroke shall pass from the law until all is accomplished." Jesus is telling us that He upholds the authority of the Old Testament Scripture without qualification. Our Lord says in verse 18 that until heaven and earth pass away not the cross of a "t" or a dot of an "i" of the Lord's inspired word will fail. It will all come to pass, it will all be effectual, and it will all go forth and not return void, every single bit of it. Our Lord Jesus here lends His character and His position and His status to the affirmation of the authority of the Word. Christians believe in the authority of the Scriptures precisely because our Lord believed in the authority of Scripture.

**III. The Old Testament Moral Law Is the Standard of Righteousness in Christ's Kingdom.**

Jesus says in verse 19, "Whoever then annuls one of these commandments and teaches others to do the same, he shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever keeps and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven." The Lord Jesus says of those who will undercut His law and speak as authoritative spokesmen that they will be counted least in His kingdom, because His kingdom is a kingdom in which the moral principles of God are upheld. In other words, Jesus says that His followers keep the law.

My friends, that is not legalism. It is not legalism to keep the law of God. What then is legalism? Legalism comes in many shapes and forms. However, there are at least four forms in which we still see legalism raising its ugly head today. First of all, legalism is when someone teaches that salvation is by works. Secondly, legalism occurs when people attempt to add their own man-made human rules and traditions to the authoritative Word of God. A third form of legalism is grudging obedience. These are the ones relating to God

as if they can trap Him into being loving and kind towards them if they'll only do certain things. And finally, legalism occurs when people confuse the weightier and lesser matters of the law and give great attention to the lesser matters of the law while ignoring the weightier matters of the law.

**IV. Jesus' Kingdom Requires a Standard of Righteousness Higher Than Anyone Might Ever Expect.**

In verse 20 Jesus says, "For I say to you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees you will not enter the kingdom of heaven." Jesus is saying that his standards for His kingdom are higher than anyone's. Jesus' diagnosis of the Pharisee's problem is not that they care too much about God's law, but that they don't care about it at all.

Jesus' call to obedience is utterly different from that type of law keeping. Jesus calls us to a universal love for the law, not to be selective, but to recognize that the whole of the law must be kept. The whole of God's moral law is for us. He calls for an internal obedience, a willing obedience, and a delight in doing the law of God. He calls us to be God pleasers, not man pleasers, and to desire the approval of God and not of men. He calls us to be humble in our law keeping, not to be prideful. And He calls us in our obedience never to trust that obedience as what makes us right with Him, but to trust in Jesus in His righteousness and have our obedience flow from that relationship which is established in union with Him.

My friends, let me ask you a question. Where is your heart? Is your heart with the Pharisees, grudgingly obeying God or is your heart delighting in His law and wanting more than anything else to be conformed to His image and to be exalted not in yourself but in His righteousness and in His sanctifying work in us that we might become like him? May God cause us to be followers of Christ and enable us to accept His Word in our hearts and in our living.

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## NOTICE

The City of Madison solicited requests for proposals for the provision of waste hauler services for collection and disposal of residential and light commercial waste, and collection and disposal of residential recycling services. In response to the increase in contract costs for the provision of these services, the City of Madison is required to and in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. 21-19-2 hereby gives its notice of intent to increase the monthly fees or charges as follows:

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## Children with cancer to benefit from bike ride

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RIDGELAND – Ridgeland Recreation and Parks is hosting a fundraising bike ride Saturday to support the Children's of Mississippi Center for Cancer and Blood Disorders.

Community Promotions Coordinator Mary Beth McCollough said the event would be on Oct. 9, at Renaissance at Colony Park beginning at 7:30 a.m.

"Don't miss this important

opportunity to put your pedals to a purpose and cycle out kids' cancer," McCollough said.

The bike ride will begin at the Renaissance on Highland Colony. Distances are tailored for a variety of skill levels, She said. Riders can register for 65-mile, 44-mile, 25-mile and 10-mile road rides or a 31-mile adventure route as well as a kids fun ride on offer.

Proceeds from Cycle Out Kids Cancer will support the renovation fund and help to improve the care of the center's

patients and their families.

The upcoming \$2.5 million renovation project will upgrade and expand Center for Cancer and Blood Disorders by adding additional exam rooms, a larger infusion room, and updating the center's pharmacy.

Participate in fundraising through a donation at online registration, a ticket purchase for the ride day bike raffle, and other ride day activities. Register at [ridgelandssportsandevents.com](http://ridgelandssportsandevents.com).




**Special Events**

**Cycle Out Kids Cancer**  
Ridgeland Recreation & Parks is hosting a fundraising bike ride to support the Children's of Mississippi Center for Cancer and Blood Disorders

Registration: [www.ridgelandssportsandevents.com](http://www.ridgelandssportsandevents.com)  
Date: Saturday, October 9, 2021  
Start Time: 7:30 a.m.  
Location: Renaissance at Colony Park

**Trunk or Treat**  
Ridgeland Recreation & Parks will hold Trunk or Treat at Freedom Ridge Parks in October. Trunk or Treat is for Ages 10 & under. Volunteers will fill their trunks with candy and prize. Kids will trick or treat from car trunk to car trunk.

Program Price: \$5.00 per child 10 & under  
Event Date: Thursday, October 28, 2021  
Start Time: 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Location: Freedom Ridge Park

**Mayor's Fun Walk**  
A favorite event of local senior adults, the Mayor's Fun Walk includes; a walk with the Mayor, health information, demonstrations and entertainment.

Registration: starts September 7th, 2021  
Event Date: Wednesday, October 13, 2021  
Start Time: 9:30 a.m.  
Location: Northpark

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**Getting the Message/Rev. Chris Shelton**

**Savior of sinners**

Paul and Barnabas, driven out of Antioch in Pisidia, travel about 90 miles to Iconium. Undeterred by the persecution they suffered in Antioch, they go into the synagogue and speak the word of God's grace to the people in the city. And we see that "a great number of both Jews and Greeks believed" (Acts 14:1).

In verse 2 we see those who didn't believe stirred up opposition toward the apostles and the new converts. Nevertheless, the apostles continued to preach boldly for the Lord (verse 3). The city became divided, some with the apostles, and some with the unbelieving Jews. The opposition became so intense the apostles had to flee the city to avoid being stoned (verse 5).

A truth throughout the New Testament is that the gospel divides people. The city of Iconium was divided over Christ. A passage like this anticipates eternity where there will be a clear distinction among those who belong to Christ and those who do not.

In Luke 16 Jesus tells a story of a rich man and a poor man. The poor man, Lazarus, went to heaven. The rich man went to hell. The point of division spiritually between the two was not economics, but the word of the Lord. Being poor in this world doesn't compare to a rich inheritance with the Lord. Conversely, being rich in the world is no consolation at the judgment. Lazarus embraced the word of the Lord, the rich man did not.

It is the Lord himself who makes distinctions between people. In Luke 12 he said, "Do you think I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." Jesus began with the division among family members over him, but it extends to all relationships in the world. Ultimately, the difference among souls is who does and does not know Christ.

Jesus used the "I am" statements to declare his divinity and to show that he alone was the way to life with God. By saying, "I am the bread of life," he meant there is no other way of life. "I am the Good Shepherd" means there is no other shepherd who lay down his life for his sheep. You cannot be reconciled to God except through Christ. The good news is he

receives all who come to him.

The apostles fled from persecution, but they were undeterred by it. They continued to preach the gospel (Acts 14:7). The conflict was no surprise to them. The Lord had told the apostles to expect trouble. The Lord was spit upon, scourged, and put to death by men. It is no surprise his people will be too. Paul himself had been offended by the gospel before his conversion. He knew how great the resentment is in the breast of man's sinful nature at the truth of Christ.

This passage warns how great a difference there is between the converted and unconverted. Those who are converted are united to Christ and have the Spirit of God. The unconverted are strangers to him. They want to stone to death messengers of God sent to proclaim the good news of forgiveness of sins and life in the name of Christ.

God has sent Christ to be the Head, the King, and the Savior of sinners. Those who come to Christ are united to him. They are welcomed as God's children. They are the objects of great love from God. He esteems them as his jewels and his delights are with them.

The converted have a perfect righteousness imputed to them. God looks upon them as being one with Christ. The unconverted have all their sins against them, and are under the guilt of all the sins they have committed and will commit. The whole of their sin lies upon them.

There is a great difference between those who belong to Christ and others because Christ is a person of infinite dignity, a person infinitely near to God the Father. And he is great with respect to his work as a Mediator. He came to do the greatest work that ever was wrought. Those who are his are the beneficiaries of all he conquered and won. The riches of Christ are unsearchable (Ephesians 3).

This is cause for love and praise from those who know Christ. It is he who has made you to differ and blessed you. And it's an encouragement for those who have rejected him in that he still stands ready and willing to receive all who are willing to come to him.

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## Public Notices

Legal Advertisement  
Ad Placed By The Dossier, Abandoned Vehicle Specialist & Mobile Notary Service 601-622-2173 Legal Advertisement Public notice is hereby given that Percy's Auto Repair & Collision, will hold public auction October 14th, 2021 @ 1025 McClure Road Ste D, Jackson, Ms. 39212 @ 10am, Pursuant to the Abandoned Motor Vehicle Act, House Bill 221, Laws of 1970, and House Bill 1902, Laws of 1995, the following vehicle will be sold: 2005 Chevy Super Cab VIN#1GCEK19B85Z274835, Owner: Amanda Hall, Lien holder: Credit Acceptance Corp, Owed: \$8,655 Repairs & Storage: Terms of the sale are cash and no checks will be accepted.

Notice of sale is hereby given in accordance with the Mississippi Statutes governing the sale of abandoned motor vehicles for the following: 2000 CHEVY MALIBU, VIN # 1G1ND-52J0Y6158157, \$2760.60. Public sale of this abandoned/unclaimed vehicle and its contents will be held on Friday October 15, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. at Gilmore Towing & Recovery, 124 E. State Street, Ridgeland, MS 39157.

Notice of sale is hereby given in accordance with the Mississippi Statutes governing the sale of abandoned motor vehicles for the following: 2008 CHEVY SUBURBAN, VIN # 3GN-FK16308G196760, \$ 2707.10. Public sale of this abandoned/unclaimed vehicle will be held on Friday October 15, 2021 at Big Byrd Towing & Recovery located at 120 E. State St. Ridgeland, MS 39157 at 10:00 A.M.

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JERRY S. LEE, DECEASED  
CIVIL CASE NUMBER 2021-843-B

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted by the Chancery Court of Madison County, Mississippi to Nancy D. Lee as Executrix of the Estate of Jerry S. Lee, Deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the Estate to present them to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this Notice, or they will be forever barred.

THIS THE 29th day of September, 2021.

NANCY D. LEE, Executrix

Prepared By:  
Marvin B. Speed  
Attorney at Law  
2101 Fifth Street  
Meridian, MS 39301  
Telephone: (601) 482-8783  
MSB No. 7715

**ORDINANCE REZONING THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN AND LOCATED IN THE CITY OF MADISON, MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AFTER PROVIDING FOR A HEARING AND NOTICE THEREON AS REQUIRED BY LAW**

WHEREAS, PRM Realty and Take Five Oil Change, representing owners Mary Jane Coign & ETAL, made application to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Madison, Madison County, Mississippi to rezone from A-1 (Agricultural District) to C-3 (Major Thoroughfare Commercial District) for the purpose of development of a vehicle oil change facility to be located within the corporate limits of the City of Madison, Madison County, Mississippi; and, WHEREAS, notice was duly and legally given to all property owners and citizens interested that a meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Madison, Madison County, Mississippi, would be held in the Municipal Courtroom at the Madison Justice Complex on September 13, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., to hear any objections and protests against said change; and, WHEREAS, no persons appeared to protest or object to the proposed change in zoning and the Board having received no written objections or protests to said change; and, WHEREAS, it was found, determined, and recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission that the highest and best use of the property described herein below is for the purposes permitted under the A-1 (Agricultural District) to C-3 (Major Thoroughfare Commercial District) zoning classification of the OFFICIAL ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MADISON, MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, and that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen accept said recommendation. WHEREAS, it appears to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that such change would be in keeping with sound land use practice and would be in the best interest of the City, and WHEREAS, it appears to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that there has been a sufficient change in the character of the neighborhood to justify the rezoning and that there is a public need for such rezoning;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN, OF THE CITY OF MADISON, MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS FOLLOWS: SECTION 1. That the property located in the City of Madison, Madison County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes, be, and the same is hereby, rezoned and changed, contingent upon covenants, as submitted to and approved by the Planning Commission from A-1 (Agricultural District) to C-3 (Major Thoroughfare Commercial District) for the purpose of development of a vehicle oil change facility, and described in the OFFICIAL ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MADISON, MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI.

SECTION 2. That the Clerk of the City of Madison, Madison County, Mississippi, be authorized and directed to amend the OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF MADISON, MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, to conform with the change of classification of the property described herein so that said property shall hereinafter be identified as C-3 (Major Thoroughfare Commercial District) on said map.

SECTION 3. That the costs of publication of this Ordinance shall be borne by the applicant.

SECTION 4. That this Ordinance shall be effective 30 days after this date and

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after publication of same by applicant. SO ORDAINED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Madison, Madison County, Mississippi, at its first monthly meeting held on the 22nd day of September 2021.  
s/Mary Hawkins Butler  
Mary Hawkins Butler, Mayor  
ATTEST:

s/Susan B. Crandall  
Susan B. Crandall, City Clerk  
Director of Administration and Finance

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The above and foregoing Ordinance having previously been reduced to writing, a motion was made by Alderman Hudgins and seconded by Alderman Tankersley, to approve and adopt the Ordinance and no request having been made by the Mayor, or any member of the Board of Aldermen, that said Ordinance be read by the City Clerk before a vote was taken. Said Ordinance was adopted by the Board of Aldermen with the results being as follows:

Alderman Strain voted:

Yea

Alderman Tatum voted:

Yea

Alderman Peeler voted:

Yea

Alderman Jarvis voted:

Yea

Alderman Tankersley voted:

Yea

Alderman Hudgins voted:

Yea

Alderman Bowering voted:

Mayor Pro Tempore

The motion having received the affirmative vote of all members of the Board of Aldermen present, the Mayor Pro Tempore declared the motion so carried and this Ordinance ordained and adopted on this 22nd day of September 2021.

s/Mary Hawkins Butler  
Mary Hawkins Butler, Mayor  
ATTEST:  
s/Susan B. Crandall  
Susan B. Crandall, City Clerk  
Director of Administration and Finance

## CERTIFICATE

I, Susan B. Crandall, the duly appointed, qualified and acting City Clerk of the City of Madison, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance, passed, ordained and adopted by the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen of said City at a public meeting thereof held on the 22nd day of September 2021, which Ordinance is spread of record in the minutes of said meeting and maintained in my office. GIVEN under my hand and official seal of office, this 22nd day of September 2021.

s/Susan B. Crandall  
Susan B. Crandall, City Clerk  
(seal)

## EXHIBIT A

## PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

Property located at on the 1.68-acre lot located at 1115 Highway 51 North Parcel Number 072C-08A-065/00.00, Zoned A-1

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RACHEL C. HARRIS, DECEASED  
CAUSE NO. 2021-366 (B)

**SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION TO THE UNKNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW OF RACHEL C. HARRIS, DECEASED**

TO: Any and all persons who claim to be an Heir-at-Law of Rachel C. Harris, deceased, or, who claim any right, title or interest in or to any property of the deceased, real, personal or mixed

You have been made a Defendant in the *Petition to Determine Heirs-at-Law and to Grant Authority to Close Estate, Waive Accountings, Distribute Assets and Discharge Administrator* filed in this Cause on September 16, 2021 (Doc. #13) by Kenneth T. Buford, the duly appointed and acting Administrator of the Estate of Rachel C. Harris, deceased. You are summoned to appear and defend against said Petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 a.m. on the 15th day of November, 2021, before the Honorable Cynthia Brewer, Chancellor, in the courtroom of the Madison County Chancery Courthouse in Canton, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you forever barring you from filing any claim against the Estate or other things demanded in said Petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire.

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT, on this 28th day of September, 2021.  
RONNY LOTT, Chancery Clerk of Madison County, Mississippi

BY: /s/ Stacey Toten, D.C.

## PUBLISHED:

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SOLICITOR

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF MARGARET H. MITCHELL, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 2021-933 (B)

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 23rd day of September, 2021, by the Chancery Court of Madison County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Executor under the Last Will and Testament of Margaret H. Mitchell, deceased, Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever

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barred. WITNESS OUR SIGNATURES, this the 28th day of September, 2021.

/s/ Michael B. Mitchell  
MICHAEL B. MITCHELL, Executor under the Last Will and Testament of Margaret H. Mitchell, Deceased

## PUBLISHED:

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## SOLICITOR

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF pamella denise cockerham, DECEASED  
cAUSE no. 20-736  
summons by publication  
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF PAMELLA DENISE COCKERHAM.

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by CHAR-DONNE BROWN, Administratrix, ownership of the real property of PAMELLA DENISE COCKERHAM, deceased located Madison County. There are no other defendants in this action. You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 8:30a.m. on the 8 th day of November, 2021, in the Chancery Courtroom of the Madison County Courthouse in Canton, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint or petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 22 th day of September, 2021 .  
Ronny Lott, Chancery Clerk  
Madison County, Mississippi

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

In the Matter of the Estate of PAMELLA MANOGIN, Deceased  
CAUSE NO.: 21-787C  
JOANN BANKS  
PETITIONER

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 21 st day of September 2021, by the Chancery Court of Madison County, State of Mississippi, to the undersigned Executor upon the Estate of Pamela Manogin notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days after the first publication of this notice, or said claims will be forever barred.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 28 th day of September, 2021.

/s/ Joann Banks  
Joann Banks, Executor  
Estate of Pamela Manogin, Deceased

Publish: 10/07, 10/14, and 10/21/2021

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BILLY C. DUNNING, DECEASED  
CAUSE NO. 45CH1:21-cv-00878

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on September 15, 2021, by the Chancery Court of Madison County, Mississippi to the undersigned Executor of the Estate of Billy C. Dunning, Deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said Estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law within 90 days after the date of the first publication of this notice or they will forever be barred.

This the 30th day of September, 2021.  
Thomas A. Cook  
Executor of the Estate of Billy C. Dunning, Deceased

Ian Austin (MSB #104584)  
Copeland, Cook, Taylor & Bush, P.A.  
P.O. Box 6020  
Ridgeland, MS 39158  
Telephone 601-856-7200

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RANDY LEE KNOUSE DECEASED  
NO. 21-cv-00559

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration having been granted, by the Chancery Court of Madison County, Mississippi to the undersigned Administrator of the Estate of Randy Lee Knouse, Deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred. THIS THE 24th day of September, 2021.

/s/ David Samuel Knouse  
David Samuel Knouse,  
Administrator of the Estate of Randy Lee Knouse, Deceased

Prepared By:  
/s/ Alec Rawlings  
Alec Rawlings, MSB #105976  
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IN THE COUNTY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, EX REL. MADISON POLICE DEPARTMENT  
PLAINTIFF  
VS.

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Civil Cause No. 2021-1005 JH  
**ONE (1) 2013 CHEVROLET MALIBU BEARING VIN # 1G11B-5SA3DF318823 DEFENDANT**

**SUMMONS  
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

TO: Jose Romulo Castillo, Ida Garcia, Zachary Allen Killion and or Corey Del Killion, and any unknown owner of one (1) 2013 Chevrolet Malibu Bearing VIN # 1G11B5SA3DF318823

A PETITION FOR FORFEITURE OR COMPLAINT HAS BEEN FILED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AND YOU MUST TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS. You are required by law to mail or hand-deliver a written response to the Complaint filed in this action to the lawyer for the Plaintiff, whose name and address is: **Todd McAlpin, Assistant District Attorney, Post Office Box 121, Canton, Mississippi 39046.**

**A COPY OF YOUR ANSWER MUST BE MAILED OR HAND-DELIVERED TO SAID LAWYER WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THIS SUMMONS AND PETITION ARE SERVED UPON YOU, OR A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE CURRENCY AND PROPERTY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE PETITION OR COMPLAINT.**

You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of the Court within a reasonable time afterward. The name and address of the Clerk of this Court is Honorable Anita Wray, Madison County Circuit Court, Post Office Box 1626, Canton, Mississippi, 39046.

Issued under my hand and the official seal of this Court this the 17 th day of September 2021.

ANITA WRAY  
MADISON COUNTY CIRCUIT CLERK  
MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
D.C.  
Monica Henderson  
(SEAL)

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF FRITZ MELVIN GRIFFIN, DECEASED  
CAUSE NO. 2021-309B

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION TO THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF FRITZ MELVIN GRIFFIN, DECEASED

TO: The unknown heirs at law of Fritz Melvin Griffin, deceased.

You have been made a Defendant in the Petition for Authority to Close Estate, Waive Accountings, Distribute Assets, Discharge Administratrix and to Determine Heirs-at-Law filed in this Court by Petitioner, Cecily Nicole Griffin, the duly appointed and acting Administratrix of the Estate of Fritz Melvin Griffin. You are summoned to appear and defend against said Petition filed against you in this action at 8:30a.m. on the 25th day of October, 2021, before the Honorable Cynthia Brewer, Chancellor at the chancery courtroom of the courthouse for Madison County in Canton, Mississippi. If you fail to appear at said hearing you will be forever barred from asserting any claim against the Estate of Fritz Melvin Griffin, Deceased. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire.

ISSUED under my hand and seal of said Court, this 17th day of September, 2021  
Ronny Lott, Chancery Clerk of Madison County, Mississippi

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Stacey Toten  
Deputy Clerk

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Publish September 23, September 30, and October 7

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ANNIE ELMIRA ROEVER, DECEASED

CAUSE NO.: 2021-865w[45CH1:21-cv-00865]

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been issued on the 31 st day of August 2021, by the Chancery Court of Madison County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of Annie Elmira Roever, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to probate and register the same, as provided by law, with the Clerk of said Court, within ninety (90) days after the first publication of this Notice. Failure to probate and register any such claim within said ninety (90) day period will forever bar the claim. **WITNESS THE SIGNATURE OF THE Executor this the 16 th day of September, 2021.**

/s/ J. David Teal  
J. David Teal, Executor

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be sold: 2011 Toyota Scion, VIN# JT-KJFG70B3012118, Owner: Melinda Pevey or Chris Bradley, Lienholder: Credit Acceptance, Owed: \$1,1064.00 Repairs & Storage; 2007 GMC Denali VIN# 1GKFK63877J350811, Owner: Posey Russell, Lienholder: Tracir Financial Svs, Owed: 15,005.00 Repairs & Storage Terms of the sale are cash and no checks will be accepted. Seller reserves the right to final bid. All sales are final. No refunds will be made. Said automobile will be sold in 'as is' condition with no guarantees.

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Ad Placed By The Dossier, Abandoned Vehicle Specialist & Mobile Notary Service 601-622-2173 Legal Advertisement Public notice is hereby given that Terry Road Tire & Alignment, will hold a public auction October 7th, 2021 @ 3101 Terry Road, Jackson, MS 39212 @ 10:00 am Pursuant to the

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abandoned Motor Vehicle Act, House Bill 221, Laws of 1970, and House Bill 1902, Laws of 1995, the following vehicle will be sold: 2008 Ford Focus, VIN# 1FADP3F24JL299425, Owner: Alexis Collins, Lienholder: Ford Motor Credit, Owed: \$ 4,372.37, Repairs & Storage: Terms of the sale are cash and no checks will be accepted. Seller reserves the right to final bid. All sales are final. No refunds will be made. Said automobile will be sold in 'as is' condition with no guarantees.

**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TOM NICHOLSON, JR., DECEASED**

**KATHY NICHOLSON COLLINS, AD-MINISTRATRIX Cause No. 20-291**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
Letters of Administration having been granted on the 16th day of September, 2021 by the Chancery Court of Madison County, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for Probate and registration according to law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice or they will be forever barred pursuant to Miss. Code. Ann 91-7-151.

This the 16th day of September 2021.

/s/ Kathy Collins  
**KATHY NICHOLSON COLLINS**  
Prepared by:  
Jeff Arnold (MSB# 104335)  
Arnold and Associates, LLC,  
306 Maxey Drive, Suite B,  
Brandon, MS 39042  
Ph:601-213-7581

# Madison Central Homecoming Court



**9th Grade Homecoming Court**

Madison Central High School freshman homecoming court members are pictured. Front row left to right are Sara Reeves Thomas, Lana Nabulsi, and Pearl Magee. Back row left to right are Jaiden Johnson, Micah Jones, and JP Baldwin.



**10th Grade Homecoming Court**

Madison Central High School sophomore homecoming court members are pictured. Front row left to right are Kylira Griffin, Brooke Bumgarner, Lauren Sutton, and Hollin Brewer. Back row left to right are Tyrone Richardson, Ty Miller, Harry Singh, and Camden Hood.



**11th Grade Homecoming Court**

Madison Central High School junior homecoming court members are pictured. Front row left to right are Bergen Bianchi, Mattie Dupuy, Ava Dear, Kinsley Wilson, and Avery Chambliss. Back row left to right are RJ Smith, Bryman Williams, Jake Norris, Vic Sutton, and Aiden Allen.



**12th Grade Homecoming Court**

Madison Central High School senior homecoming court members are pictured. Front row left to right are Reid Hewitt, Sneha Cherukuri, Jamiyah Cotten, Megan Staehling, (queen) Rowan Gentry, and Mia Valentine. Back row left to right are Vic Hollins, CJ Barney, JT Evans, Landon Parrow, Rob Hill, and Isaiah Wilson.

## Legals

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**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARTHA ANDERSON STEWART, DECEASED FILE NO. 2021-876-B**

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Letters Testamentary having on September 14, 2021 been issued to the undersigned as Administratrix of the above estate by the Chancery Court of Madison County, Mississippi, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to file the same with the Clerk of said Court for probate and allowance as required by law within ninety (90) days of the date of the first publication of this notice, or the same will be forever barred.

THIS the 15th day of September, 2021.

Marion Stewart Taylor, Administratrix of the Estate of Martha Anderson Stewart, Deceased

Charles Frank Fair Barbour, MSB #99520  
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**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DONNA JEAN EDWARDS, DE-**

**CEASED**

DAVID FINNEGAN  
PLAINTIFF  
VS.  
Cause No. 2021-359 W

**THE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS OF DONNA JEAN EDWARDS RESPONDENTS**

**SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION TO: THE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS OF DONNA JEAN EDWARDS**

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by David Finnegan, in his capacity as Administrator of the Estate of **DONNA JEAN EDWARDS**, deceased, Plaintiff seeking

to adjudicate heirship. You are summoned to appear and defend against the petition filed against you in this action at 8:45 a.m., on the 26th day of October 2021, in the courtroom of the Madison County Chancery Courthouse in front of the Honorable James Walker, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the things demanded in the petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court this the 9th Day of September, 2021.  
CHANCERY CLERK  
By: Stacey Totten, DC  
Prepared by:  
Jeff Arnold (MSB #104335)

306 Maxey Drive  
Brandon MS 39042  
Phone: 601-213-7581

**IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF MADISON COUNTY MISSISSIPPI. IN RE: THE ESTATE OF SAMMYE WARD, DECEASED. CAUSE NO. 45CH1:21-cv-00571. PETITIONER: LISA ANNE COURSEY**

**SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND NOTICE TO THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF SAMMYE WARD**  
You have been made Respondents in the Petition filed in this Court by Rodrick D. Ward, III, seeking an adjudication of Heirship of SAMMYE WARD, Deceased. You are required to appear on October 22, 2021 at 8:45 a.m., at Madison County Chancery Court in

Canton, Mississippi, in the Courtroom of the Honorable James C. Walker, to respond to the Petition for Determination of Heirship filed against you. **YOU ARE REQUIRED TO APPEAR AND FAILURE TO APPEAR WILL RESULT IN JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE MOTION. YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO FILE AN ANSWER.** If you do, you must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. **ISSUED** under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 2nd day of September, 2021. **RONNY LOTT, CHANCERY CLERK, MADISON COUNTY MISSISSIPPI**

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SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

# Bryson planning on finishing senior football season with a bang

By JOHN LEE  
john@onlinemadison.com

St. Andrew's Episcopal School senior tailback PJ Bryson said despite giving 100% effort for every season of football, he wants to push even harder for his last season, for himself, his fellow seniors and the rest of his team.

Bryson began playing as an outside linebacker and running back for St. Andrew's back in middle school and took over as tailback in high school.

"Playing at St. Andrew's has increased my liking for football because during my time here, my team has been small and that has helped me build strong relationships with a whole lot of guys on the team," Bryson said. "You have to go to war on the field and play hard, so if you don't build those strong relationships, you don't play as well."

Bryson said his favorite part of playing for the Saints is hanging out with his teammates and practicing with them.

"I love the practices and the intensity that everyone brings to the field. It is never a boring day," Bryson said

Bryson said he would like to attend Mississippi State University or Louisiana State University for college. He does not plan on playing college football and wants to major in business at whatever



PJ Bryson takes the handoff.

college he attends. Outside of football, Bryson said he enjoys hanging out with friends and driving

around with them exploring nature, camping and going to sporting events. On the side, he does lawn work for various people throughout the Ridgeland and Madison areas in the summer or whenever he is available.

- His favorites:
- Hobby: Playing chess
  - Food: Tacos
  - Vacation spot: Colorado (backpacking and skiing)
  - Movie: "Ferris Bueller's Day Off"
  - Video game: Call of Duty

"I keep remembering this is my last year playing football, so I'm giving it all I've got," Bryson said.

St. Andrew's Head Football Coach Johnny Nichols said Bryson is reliable and never comes off the field.

"PJ has been a part of our varsity program since ninth grade," Nichols said. "He's a hard-working young man and is dedicated to off-season workouts. He's a great leader

for our team, and we're happy to have him."

Nichols said the effort Bryson gives on every play is unbelievable.

"He is not the biggest player out there, but he makes up for it with his toughness," Nichols said. "During this season, PJ has 45 carries for 314 yards, eight catches for 88 yards and two touchdowns. He also has a total of 71 tackles; 28 solos and 43 assists."

Nichols said the Saints are 3-4 this season but are doing a little better than last year. He said the team is very close to victory in most games, and the effort his players give is unbelievable.

"PJ and the rest of the team keep the games close until the very end, and I'm looking forward to the second half of this season," Nichols said. "PJ is a great young man, great with his teammates, leads by example, and gives everything he has on every play.

Come out and see him. He's a great player."

**THE LORD'S DAY**

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**Tuesday, October 12 • 7:15 A.M.  
Junior Diplomat Meeting**  
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From left, Past Ridgeland Chamber President Greg Starnes, Trustmark National Bank and Treasurer of the Veterans Memory Park in Ridgeland Committee; Mike McCollum and Ray Balentine, 2021 Ridgeland Chamber Vice-President, Michael Baker International.

**Mike McCollum**, who served the City of Ridgeland for 27 years, retired September 30 with a grand celebration party at First United Methodist Church Ridgeland.

From his days at Delta State serving in the ROTC program to his basic training at Fort Knox in northern Kentucky, to the foreign shores of Kuwait and Iraq serving in Operation Enduring Freedom, Mike has served his country for 31 years. In 2012, Colonel Mike McCollum retired from the United States Army Reserve.

In 2017, Mike was named Chairman of the Veterans Memory Park in Ridgeland Committee, a committee charged with raising \$150,000.00 to build the Veterans Park which would honor veterans and enlisted men and women for their service to our country.

Under his leadership, the committee has raised \$87,000.00 and even in retirement Mike will honor his commitment to raise the remainder.

At the retirement party, Mayor Gene McGee praised Mike for his outstanding leadership to Ridgeland and on behalf of the committee Ridgeland Chamber Past President Greg Starnes, Trustmark National Bank and Treasurer of the Veterans Memory Park Committee, presented Mike with an Eagle bearing the inscription "Mike McCollum – American Hero – Veterans Memory Park Ridgeland Committee."

The program concluded with Zoe Brumfield playing Mike's favorite Scottish folk tune, "Flowers of the Forest" on the bagpipes.

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