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City may raise taxes for pay hike

By STEVE SWOGETINSKY steve@neshobademocrat.com

A proposed 1-mill city tax increase to fund an \$11 million 2022 budget including pay raises is being proposed at a public hearing this evening.

The Philadelphia Mayor and Board of Aldermen is scheduled to hold the public hearing at 5 p.m. at City Hall. Officials will actually vote on

a final budget next week.

City leaders have budgeted 20 mills this fiscal year, which is a 1-mill increase when compared to the current fiscal year budget. That means ad valorem taxes could increase.

A mill is \$1 per \$1,000 of assessed property value and one mill raises approximately \$80,000 in Philadelphia, officials said.

The mayor and aldermen

have been working on the budget since early August. The proposed budget projecting \$10,960,350 in total revenue. Of that, \$1,530,000 will come from ad valorem taxes, an increase of \$366,800 when compared to the current budget.

Sales tax collections make up most of the revenue.

Mayor James A. Young said much of the extra money

will go to pay for a \$1.25 an hour pay increase for all city employees. He defended the raises, saying people don't realize the value of the work it takes to keep the city running.

"People don't appreciate it until it isn't there," Young said. "It is one of those unsung services that we brush off until that garbage can is no emptied. They may complain about everything, but let these

guys not produce for a week and we will have total chaos."

Not everyone agreed with raising taxes because they said growth will likely fund the raises. Ward 2 Aldermen Jim Fulton and Alderman-at-Large James Waltman voted against the final version of the proposed budget.

Fulton said Tuesday that with the likelihood of record-high sales tax collections he

just doesn't think a tax increase is necessary.

In other action, aldermen voted to:

• Place \$130,000 the city received for the sale of a Wells Lamont outlying building to Viking Metals into a CD with the best rate.

• Approve the minutes of the past meeting and the claims docket.

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Philadelphia/Neshoba County Career Technical Center Law and Public Safety students who put up 9/11 banners to display outside the facility are, from left, Cali Wilson, Jonathan Medford, Kendall Hoskins, Jon-

Paul Moore, Danny Hughes, Kayden Gray, Posey Palmer, Jada Greer, Cameron Burnham, Mia Johnson, India Sanders, Allison Alford.

Vo-Tech students keep memory of 9/11 alive

By SARAH KATHRYN WATKINS news@neshobademocrat.com

As the nation paused last week for the 20th anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, students at the Philadelphia/Neshoba County Career Technical Center put up a banner proclaiming "We Remember Sept. 11, 2001."

Bryton Yates, a ninth-grader at Neshoba Central, said that while he is too young to have witnessed the events of Sept. 11, 2001, he has family members who recalled watching it on television.

"A lot of stuff happened back then," Yates said. "We've talked about what happened and the details in class."

Yates said he believes Americans united after

the attacks and that he has learned more about 9/11 through taking Law and Public Safety at the Vo-Tech.

Ty Martin said the banners they put up included one that said simply, "We remember Sept. 11, 2001," with an American flag.

"The one we put up was an American flag that had everyone's name who had died from it," Martin said.

"9/11 would be the day that Americans became one," said Martin, a ninth-grade Neshoba Central High School student and chairman of the Neshoba County Teenage Republicans.

"There were no more Republicans, no Democrats, no more white, no more black, it was we are American. 9/11 was the single worst day

in American history that we pretty much have ever had since Pearl Harbor. This day when Americans came together, we become one again."

Bailey Scott, also a ninth-grader at Neshoba Central, said 9/11 left a lasting impact.

"It's important to me because of the impact it made on the country and everyone who lost their lives during it, the people who died when the plane hit the tower," Scott said. "It not only impacted us, it also impacted people's families who lost loved ones in 9/11."

Jade Lynn Rogers a ninth-grader at Neshoba Central, said her grandmother who watched 9/11 unfold on television 20 years ago told her about

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INVESTIGATION

Inmate dies in custody at detention facility

By STAFF REPORTS news@neshobademocrat.com

A man who fled law enforcement and shot at deputies in May was found dead in his jail cell over the weekend, the authorities said.

The man, Piotr James Gullett, 27, of Starkville was found unresponsive in his cell and later pronounced dead Saturday evening, Neshoba County Sheriff Eric Clark said.

"Piotr Gullett was observed to be unresponsive in his cell at 6:37 p.m. (Saturday)," Clark said in a press release. "Correctional officers called EMS and immediately began life-saving measures until emergency responders arrived. EMS pronounced Gullett dead at 6:48 p.m. Neshoba County Medical Examiner transported the body to the Mississippi Crime Laboratory in Pearl for an autopsy."

Clark said next of kin had been notified.

"No foul play is suspected," Clark said. "The death is not COVID-19 related."

Gullett had been in custody since May 30, 2021, facing charges of felony fleeing arrest, burglary-dwelling house, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, possession of stolen property and aggravated assault on a police officer, according to Clark's statement.

"Gullett remained in custody, due to bond denial," Clark said. "Prisoner deaths are investigated by Mississippi Bureau of Investigations and the Medical Examiner's Office. Detention records are not released due to containing confidential medical, security and personnel information."

The May incident started on See INMATE, page 2A

TYLER THREADGILL

Football standout remembered at death

By SCOTT HAWKINS scott@neshobademocrat.com

Philadelphia native Tyler Burkes Threadgill, a former Mississippi State University and Philadelphia High School football standout, died Sunday morning in a Birmingham hospital after battling COVID-19. He was 36.

Friends described Threadgill as a kind man, a great athlete and "a friend to all."

Mississippi State University announced Threadgill's death Sunday morning.

"Tyler Threadgill, the son of former MSU quarterback Bruce Threadgill and wife Angie Burkes Threadgill, passed away this weekend after a battle with COVID-19," a Twitter post from the

university said. "Tyler played in 18 games during his own MSU football career. Please remember this Bulldog family in your prayers.#MSUFamily."

Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until noon Thursday, Sept. 16, at Southern Heritage Funeral Home, 475 Cahaba Valley Road, Pelham, Alabama, where Threadgill lived with his wife Leslie and sons, John and Tyler. A funeral service will follow at noon.

Threadgill's home church, The First United Methodist Church of Philadelphia, held a prayer vigil Monday.

"Brothers and sisters with a heavy heart, I share this with you," a Sunday social media post from the church said. "Tyler Threadgill died this

morning. During this time let us pray for the Threadgill family."

The church asked everyone to remember Threadgill's family, including his wife, sons, his parents and brother Garrett.

Threadgill, who grew up in Philadelphia, played for Philadelphia High School and was rated No. 12 overall in the state of Mississippi by Super-Prep in its season-ending, All-American issue, according to his biography on the Mississippi State sports website hail-state.com.

"Tyler was a fun-loving guy who lived every day to the fullest," said Carly Byars Rounsaville, a longtime Philadelphia friend. "He was a

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Tyler Threadgill with wife Leslie and son Tyler at the Neshoba County Fair.



Supervisors approve \$19M budget for '22

By STEVE SWOGETINSKY
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The Board of Supervisors adopted a \$19 million 2022 budget during their regular meeting last week.

Supervisors held a public hearing during their Tuesday, Sept. 7, meeting before the budget vote. The new budget will go into effect on Oct. 1.

"We have an adopted budget," said County Administrator Jeff Mayo. "It was the same as the one that was proposed. There were no changes."

Supervisors have budgeted to spend \$19,087,998, an increase of \$3,697,958 in the Fiscal Year. Of that, they propose spending \$8,405,425 for the general fund, a \$369,572 increase when compared to the current fiscal year.

The functions of government are funded in the general fund, and supervisors received \$8,621,575 in requests.

The last year's general fund millage rate inside the city of Philadelphia is 58.8, and 60.8

outside the city limits. That will not change. The extra 2 mills for county residents are for fire protection. Currently, a general mill produces around \$160,000, depending in which district one lives. It is expected to remain the same for Fiscal Year 2022, which begins Oct. 1.

The school district's share in funding the Philadelphia-Neshoba Vocational Technical Center is \$281,761.

The Union Public School District is getting \$456,793. That includes \$444,188 for the operation and maintenance of the district and \$12,605 for debt service. The current millage is set at 54.8 and a millage decrease is expected.

One mill is equal to \$1 per \$1,000 of a property's assessed value.

The budget includes \$2.5 million in American Rescue Act funds but there are no concrete plans for spending that money, said Jeff Mayo Neshoba County administra-

tor. Mayo said there has been discussion of improvements such as HVAC, ventilation improvements and adding touchless fixtures for county facilities but not definite spending plans yet.

"I don't know if all of that funding will be spent during the fiscal year because we have until 2024," Mayo said. "We have to do lost revenue every year up to then so there is no guarantee but depending on what the costs come back for the various projects will actually be when it is spent."

The county received the \$2.5 million in August as the first payment in the county's total \$5.6 million as part of the federal government's \$1.9 trillion federal American Rescue Act funds allocated by Congress in March to help local governments recover from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The county is also expected to receive another \$2.5 million next year.

Election precinct reduction proposed

By STEVE SWOGETINSKY
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Consolidating voting precincts was brought before the Board of Supervisors last week.

Election Commissioner Charlene Kirksey and Circuit Clerk Patty Duncan came before the board to say the county's 27 precincts could be reduced.

With redistricting coming up next year, they asked for supervisors to consider consolidation of some of the voting precinct locations, moving them to a central location.

Neshoba County has 27 voting precincts. Some are co-located.

No action was taken. In other actions, supervisors:

- Approved the budget of Neshoba General hospital. Administrator Lee McCall went over the budget with supervisors. The hospital board of trustees had approved the budget earlier.
- Gave approval for the Sheriff's Department to dispose of accumulated weapons via destruction and sale. Also, supervisors acknowledged the receipt of remaining informant fees totaling \$885, and the removal of a portable radio from the department's inventory. Supervisors acknowledged a memorandum of understanding with the Mississippi Department of Finance & Administration.
- Gave approval for the Sheriff's Department to accept an Alcohol and Drug Impaired Driving Grant for Fiscal Year 2022 totaling \$37,453. Supervisors also approved a resolution for the sheriff's department to proceed with the application for a Mississippi Office of Head Start grant.
- Acknowledged the total loss of a 2015 Ford Police

Interceptor from the Sheriff's Department which had been involved in a wreck.

- Approved \$30,000 for the purchase of a digital hand printing machine for the Sheriff's Department.
- Approved an amendment to the interlocal agreement for providing school resource officers which would include overtime and benefits for athletic events.
- Approved a travel reimbursement request for Sheriff Eric Clark totaling \$361.
- Accepted the August 2021 daily meal log and detailed billing report from the jail. Supervisors also approved for a jail employee to move from full-time to part-time status.
- Accepted the resignation of a Road Department employee, and approved the hiring of another. Supervisors approved the replacement of a culvert at Neshoba Central High School between the bus barn and the baseball field.
- Approved a letter of certification for the Mississippi State Extension Service. Supervisors also approved the yearly update and consulting services with Tri-State Consulting and the Tax Assessor/Collector at a cost of \$1,500.
- Approved the employee health insurance coverage for FY2022.
- Approved the two appointments for the Sixth Chancery Court District. Maryann Costa was named court reporter with a salary of \$64,000 plus benefits. Neshoba County will be responsible for 20 percent of her salary. Kenny Spencer was named Youth Intervention Court Coordinator effective Sept. 1. His salary will be \$48,500 plus benefits. Also, supervisors approved Winston County's request for reimburse-

ment of office expenses for Judge Kirk totaling \$273.

- Approve travel and registration expenses for Deputy Medical Examiner Myron Williams to attend MSCMEA fall conference on the Coast.
- Approve for the purchase of the equipment for the new Next Generation 9-1-1 Grant for Emergency Management. This includes two new console stations, text to 911, the rapid SOS Integration and a new login recorder.
- Approved the termination of local emergency declarations from the Winter Ice Storm and Hurricane Ida. Supervisors accepted the county's emergency sheltering support plan.
- Approved a refund for use of the Multi-Purpose Room at the Coliseum due to COVID-19 concerns. Supervisors also approved for Philadelphia High School to use the Coliseum for graduation ceremonies on May 26, 2022.
- Approved the county employee payroll ending Aug. 23 and totaling \$218,786.
- Approved the elected officials' payroll ending Sept. 1 and totaling \$43,525.
- Approved the claims docket and the out of claims docket. Supervisors also accepted the purchase clerk's August 2021 report.
- Approved requisition authority for the Extension Service office.
- Approved the payment of \$17,278 to Schneider Electric.
- Approved the Final Disbursement Request to Bank of America for the Energy Project, totaling \$16,056.28, and.
- Approved the payment of \$1,800 to the Mississippi Association of Supervisors for annual membership dues.

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it. "She said it was tragic and when I think about it it is sad because of all the people that died, and it was just so sad," Rodgers said. "I felt like (putting the banners up) was a good way to support it and keep it alive because that's something you don't need to forget about."

On 9/11, 19 militants associated with the Islamic extremist group al Qaeda hijacked four airplanes and carried out suicide attacks against targets in the United States.

Two of the planes were flown into the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York City, a third plane hit the Pentagon in Arlington, Virginia, just outside Washington, D.C., and the fourth plane crashed in a field in Shanksville, Pennsylvania, that might have been headed for the U.S. Capitol before passengers overtook the hijackers.

Almost 3,000 people were killed during the 9/11 terrorist attacks, which triggered major U.S. initiatives to combat terrorism, including the invasion of Iraq.



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Neshoba General, CHC hosting vaccination drives

By JOHN LEE
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Neshoba County recorded 152 new COVID-19 cases and seven new deaths in the past week, according to the Mississippi State Department of Health's Sept. 14 report. Meanwhile, Neshoba General and Choctaw Health Center offering a free COVID-19

vaccination event from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. today, Sept. 15, inside the Neshoba County Coliseum. No appointment is necessary and officials are offering door prizes for those who get vaccinated. Neshoba County has now recorded a total of 6,333 cases of COVID-19 and 199 deaths since the pandemic began in March 2020.

The Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians has reported 46 new positive cases of COVID-19 and one death in the past week as of Sept. 13, with the total number of positive cases for the Tribe standing at 2,380 with 122 deaths since the pandemic began in March 2020. Three new hospitalizations have been reported. In Neshoba Central Elementary School, between 1 and 5 students tested positive for COVID-19 between Sept. 6-10 and between 1 and 5 students tested positive during that period at Neshoba Central Middle School. Between 1 and 5 students and 1 and 5 teachers tested positive at Philadelphia High School. One person at Philadelphia High has been quarantined.

As of Monday, 25% of Neshoba County's population is fully vaccinated, according to MSDH, and 30% of the county's population had received one of the 15,959 total doses of COVID-19 vaccines administered in the county. Vaccinations are being administered at Walgreens at 1002 W. Beacon Street in Philadelphia, according to the

MSDH. Statewide, since the pandemic began in March 2020, 270,881 confirmed COVID-19 cases have been recorded by the MSDH along with 195,264 probable cases, totaling 466,145 cases. There have been 6,128 confirmed COVID-19 deaths, along with 2,933 probable deaths, totaling 9,061 deaths.

Clark said in addition to deputies, members of the Dixon and Linwood fire departments responded to the call. He said they also received assistance from the Winston County Sheriff's Department which in addition to manpower sent a drone capable of picking up thermal images along with a tracking dog. Clark said the search party also included concerned neighbors and friends. "I think this was a testament to everybody being able to work together," Clark said. "We used all of our resources and found her."

Missing toddler found with dog near pond at 1 a.m.

By DUNCAN DENT
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A 2-year-old girl is safe at home after spending more than 10 hours lost in the woods Monday. Neshoba County Sheriff Eric Clark said Everleigh Chunn, 2, was found on the far side of a pond roughly half

a mile into the woods behind her home on Road 236 with her dog late Monday night. The little girl had been reported missing just after 5:30 p.m. and that her parents had been looking for her for hours before that, the Sheriff said. "She had a scratch on her neck and was dirty but other-

wise was in excellent condition," Clark said. Clark said that the child had wandered off without shoes or a diaper and was wearing only a striped dress. He said she was not very talkative when they found her but that she did not cry. Clark said she was transported to Neshoba General for a full checkup.

"Everything was rosy," Clark said. "She was a little sweetheart." Clark said his office received a call at 5:38 p.m. after the family had noticed Everleigh and her dog were missing and had been searching on their own for hours. Clark said the search concluded at 1:01 a.m.

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County using \$20,000 MDEQ grant to buy debris trailer

By DUNCAN DENT
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Neshoba County officials plan to acquire a debris trailer with funds from an almost \$20,000 grant awarded by the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality. County Administrator Jeff

Mayo said the grant will be used to acquire an additional 75-yard, 30-ton, end dump debris trailer for use at the Waste Convenience Center at the county Unit Facility. "We have one 75-yard debris trailer currently and it is used at the convenience center to dispose of debris other than house-

hold garbage, metal and tires," Mayo said. The debris trailer is currently being bid with the reverse auction bids due on Sept. 29, Mayo said, and will likely take approximately 180 days to acquire once ordered. Any additional funds will be used for the cleanup of illegal

dumpsites in Neshoba County. Mayo said the problem of illegal dumping in Neshoba County is identifiable but hard to quantify. "Yes, illegal dumping sites are an issue and I don't have a census of how many or what it would take to clean them all up," Mayo said. Chris Wells, MDEQ execu-

tive director said the organization awarded Neshoba County a solid waste assistance grant of \$18,320 on Sept. 7. The grant stipulates the money be used by the county for the collection of bulky waste. "The Solid Waste Assistance Grants support a variety of useful solid waste management

activities for cities and counties, and this grant will assist Neshoba County's efforts in improving their management of solid waste," Wells said. Cities and counties may apply for Solid Waste Assistance Grants through the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality.

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phenomenal athlete who respected his coaches and his teammates throughout his years at Philadelphia High School and Mississippi State University. He always gave 100% to whatever he was doing, on or off the field."

At Philadelphia High School he was the top-rated wide receiver, awarded Class 3A first-team, all-state honors by the Mississippi Association of Coaches at punter following the 2002 season, named the co-Best Offensive Back in Region 5-3A by the region coaches among many other accolades before going on to play for the Mississippi State Bulldogs from 2003-2006. "At MSU, Threadill played

in 18 games, 10 during his sophomore season. He contributed both on special teams and as a member of the receiving corps and caught one pass (22 yards) and returned seven kickoffs for 159 yards, a 22.7-yard average," according to hailstate.com. "(He) made one tackle on special teams," hailstate.com said. "Was on the playing field for just one play, a kickoff return, in his true freshman

season, and was granted a red-shirt. (He) came to Mississippi State as a speedy, all-around prospect from the state's high school ranks." Threadill's father, Bruce Threadill, also was a standout quarterback for the Bulldogs for 1975-77 and played eight years of professional football, hailstate.com said. Tyler Threadgill was an avid golfer having placed second with his brother, Garrett,

at a Four-Ball tournament at the Philadelphia Country Club just last month. They came in second at 142 with Jim Eakes and David Hayman placing third at 143. "Tyler was always the life of the party and kept everyone

laughing with his jokes and stories," Byars said. "Tyler loved his family and friends unconditionally and will forever be missed by so many. If I had to sum up Tyler in a few words, it would be that he was, 'A friend to all.'"

Taxes

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- Approve a resolution to apply for a CDBG grant to help with the Booker T. Washington Gym project. The grant would help pay for handicapped restrooms and accessibility.
- Approve a road bore by C Spire along Holland Avenue and Dallas Street.

- Approve the hiring of Head Auction to auction off seized and abandon firearms that are being kept at the PD.
- Approve the hiring of K-9 officer for the PD.
- Approve the purchase of a new tornado siren to be located in the Westside area.
- Aldermen discussed the purchase of a van to transport city prisoners to the Winston County jail.
- Aldermen also heard from Roy White who discussed the condition of Parkside Drive,

an area that was annexed into the city in 2004 and has never received city services. The former alderman called Parkside "the last dirt road in Mississippi." They voted to approve amendments to the current fiscal year budget. For the Police Department, they increased the supplies account by \$16,000, the contingencies account by \$16,000, and the capital outlay account by \$17,000. The municipal courts

increased the state fines account by \$50,000. The Sanitation Department increased its capital outlay account by \$3,500. And the Fire Department increased its capital outlay account by \$32,000.

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COUNTY JAIL DOCKET

Neshoba County Jail Docket from 9/7-9/13

- Makeishia Amos, 27, of 10179 Rd 773; no charges listed
- Marlon Bell, 40, of 944 Black Jack Rd; failure to appear, no drivers license, improper equipment
- Rayshawn Thomas Boone, 29, of 151 Parkway North, Newnan, GA; driving under the influence-1st offense
- Jaron Branning, 34, of 12040 BIA Rd 0241; possession of firearm by convicted felon, hold for investigations
- Charles Cotton, 24, of 147 Lagoon, Louisville; public drunk
- Christopher Dean, 33, of 13321 Hwy 485; felony pursuit
- Jennifer Dean, 39, of 10301 Rd 1535; disorderly conduct
- Patrick Wayne Duell, 39, of 2401 State Blvd, Meridian; failure to appear
- Ricky Edmond, 52, of 10250 Rd 1321, Union; serving sentence
- Raquel Elaine Farmer, 42, of 46261 Hwy 195; driving under the influence-2nd offense
- Jeremiah Hathorn, 45, of 11850 Rd 571; indictment
- Charlene Holly, 55, of 12040 Rd 212; failure to appear
- Alexandria John, 28, of 144 Big Spring Creed Rd; driving under the influence-2nd offense, child neglect
- Bryan Lawis-Campbell Johnson, 18, of 10041 Rd 1103, Union; contempt of court
- Manual King, 49, of 10231 Rd 773; failure to appear X3
- Charles Victor Rhodes, 40, of 10150 Rd 325, Union; hold for other agency
- Charles Dillan Savell, 28, of 1705 Vincent Rd, Decatur; hold for other agency

- Tyree Smith, 26, of 10061 Rd 1355; sale of controlled substance
- James Daniel White, 36, of 1953 Blythe Creek Rd, Mathison; false pretense

Winston County Jail Docket for Philadelphia Police arrests from 9/7-9/12

- David Z Allen, 32, of 526 Poplar Ave; shoplifting
- Bradley N Anthony, 46, of 1107 Tank St; hold-detainer for MDOC probation parole
- Cheriena Ben, 35, of 259 Oswald Rd; DUI-1st offense, MV-drivers license/improper, MV-accident-leaving the scene-attended vehicle-property damage only, MV-no insurance, MV-tag-none or expired
- Adrianna L Carter, 24, of 1031 Jessie White Rd, Noxapater; telephone/electronic communication use of profane, indecent, harassing etc language-1st offense
- Allen Easley, 33, of 2085 Hwy 397, Preston; hold-detainer for other agency
- Henry Germany, 46, of 10340 Rd 242; fleeing or eluding a law enforcement officer in a motor vehicle-results in serious bodily injury to another, MV-lighting equipment requirements-motor vehicle X2, controlled substance-possession of marijuana less than 30 grams or synthetic cannabinoids 10 grams or less in motor vehicle, MV-careless driving, resisting arrest, MV-drivers license-none, MV-no insurance
- Lyndon Hardy, 32, of 512 S Church Ave; domestic violence-simple assault-1st or 2nd offense
- Logan Holley, 19, of 327 Cherry St; disorderly conduct-failure to comply with request or command of law enforcement officers
- Stephone D Hunt, 26, of

- 10330 Rd; hold-detainer for other agency, aggravated assault-use of deadly weapon or other means
- Justin E Massey, 35, of 10090 Rd 557; simple assault-fear
- Brenda McCarthy, 30, of 1850 Hwy 16; domestic violence-simple assault-1st or 2nd offense
- Charles McCool, 32, of 181 Sonny Jones Rd; contempt of court-municipal court
- Calvin D Moncrease, 25, of 309 King Ave, Louisville; contempt of court-municipal court
- Julius Morris, 28, of 13580 Hwy 491; contempt of court-municipal court
- James Overstreet, 64, of 285 Shuquak Rd, Preston; DUI-1st offense
- Alvin Rodgers, 40, of 2620 N FM 113, Weatherford, TX; controlled substance-possession of schedule 1 or II- 1/10th gram-2 grams or 2-10 dosage units
- Alvin Rodgers, 40, of 2620 N FM 113, Weatherford, TX; possession of controlled substance X2
- Amos Thames, 29, of 62 Miller Cir, Louisville; domestic violence-simple assault-1st or 2nd offense
- Jaylyn Tubby, 22, of 11 Indian Hills Dr; MV-drivers license-none, MV-no insurance, speeding 10 over, contempt of court-municipal court
- Timothy Turner, 48, of 42 S St; Yazoo City; hold for MDOC
- Tim Willis, 44, of 176 Imadren Rd; DUI-1st offense
- Tyresha S Yarbrough, 44, of 379 Loper St; MV-careless driving, MV-failure to yield to blue lights/or stop in place, MV-stop sign-running, MV-following too close

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The City of Philadelphia will hold a public hearing on its proposed ad valorem tax revenue increase for fiscal year 2021/2022 on September 15, 2021 at 5:00 pm at City Hall.

The City of Philadelphia is now operating with projected total budget revenue of \$11,633,200 (11 percent) or \$1,280,000 of such revenue is obtained through ad valorem taxes. For the next fiscal year, the proposed budget has total projected revenue of \$10,960,350 or that amount, (13 percent) of \$1,530,000 is proposed to be financed through a total ad valorem tax levy.

For the next fiscal year, the City of Philadelphia plans to increase your ad valorem tax millage rate by 1 mills from 19 mills to 20 mills. This increase means that you will pay more in ad valorem taxes on your home, automobile tag, utilities, business fixtures and equipment and rental real property.

The Philadelphia Public School District will decrease your ad valorem millage rate by .55 mills from 60.00 mills to 59.45 mills to satisfy their debt service request.

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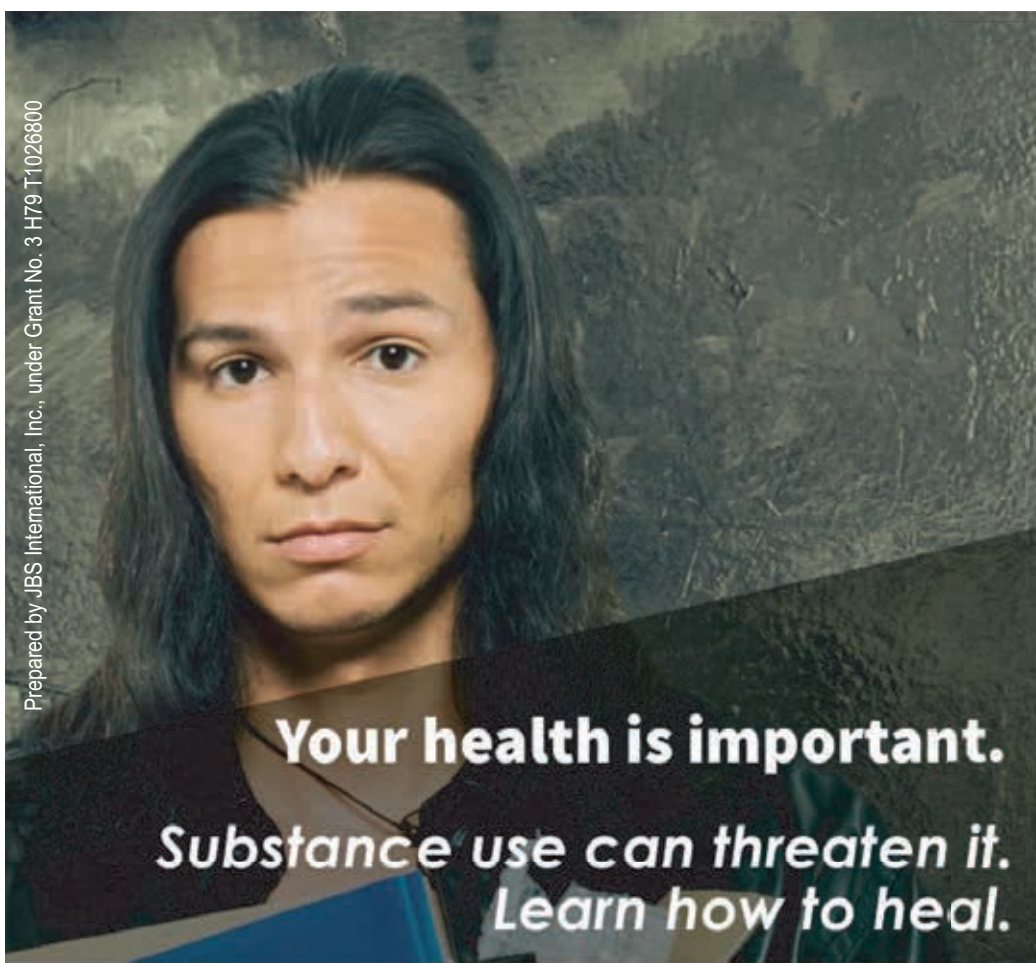
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Sharp enjoys spending time cooking for family

By SARAH KATHRYN WATKINS
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Dana Sharp of Philadelphia started cooking meals for her family when she was 12 years old.

"My brother was about 10 or 11, and my parents told us we could start getting off the bus by ourselves, and I could babysit us," Sharp said. "That's when I started cooking."

Sharp's mother, Joyce Fulton, worked at the Tax Collector's Office, and when she got off work Sharp would have supper on the table for her.

Sharp said her mother taught her everything she knows about cooking. Sharp prides herself on her cooking ability and has even come up with some of her own recipes.

One of these recipes is her Crawfish Casserole, a family favorite that Sharp said her children, Dalton and Denver, always ask her to cook.

Sharp and her sons bond over many things, but cooking is something that the boys and their mother love to do together. Anytime the boys come to visit they will cook together.

Sharp owns Williamsville Auto Sale Inc. and Haggard's Candle & Gift, selling candles, clothing, purses and more. Her candle company started from home until 2005 when she bought the store. In 2010, Sharp opened Williamsville Auto Sale Inc.

"I enjoy my job, and I enjoy cooking," Sharp said.

Sharp and her husband, Nick Sharp, love traveling the country. They have been to the Caribbean twice and hope to plan another getaway in the near future. They have six children and four grandchildren. The Sharp's attend North Bend United Pentecostal church.

Sharp enjoys hunting, fishing, traveling and spending time with her children.

"We love riding the four-wheelers and side by side," Sharp said.



Dana Sharp

COOK OF THE WEEK

CRAWFISH CASSE-ROLE

- 8-ounce package cream cheese
- 1 stick margarine
- 2 tablespoons margarine
- 2 pounds crawfish tails (2 packages)
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1 large bell pepper, chopped
- 8-ounce package fresh mushrooms, sliced
- 10.5-ounce can cream of mushroom soup

- 2 cups cooked white rice
- 1 tablespoon garlic powder
- ½ teaspoon red pepper
- 3 dashes white pepper
- 2 cups grated Velveta cheese
- 1 large can fried onion rings

Melt 1 stick of margarine in a small pot and add cream cheese; stir on low heat until melted. In a separate pot, melt 2 tablespoons of margarine, crawfish tails, onion, bell pepper and mushrooms until the

mixture is well blended and sauteed for about 5-7 minutes. Add cream of mushroom soup and rice into the crawfish mix. Stir in garlic powder and pepper. Add cream cheese mixture to crawfish mixture; mix well and taste for the seasonings that you may want to add yourself. (I add Tony's Seasonings at this point for my taste). Pour into a casserole dish and top with grated cheese and fried onion rings and bake at 350 degrees for about 30-45 minutes. Serves

8-10.

- ### SWEET POTATO PIE
- 2 or 3 small sweet potatoes
 - 4 eggs
 - ¾ stick butter
 - 2 cups sugar
 - 1 can sweetened condensed milk
 - 2 tsp. Vanilla flavoring

Boil sweet potatoes until tender. Drain potatoes. Mix all other ingredients together with potatoes and blend well. Pour in pie crust and bake 30

to 40 minutes depending on how brown you like them. Should make two pies.

ROCKY ROAD BROWNIES

- 1 fudge brownie mix
- 1 container Duncan Hines milk chocolate icing
- Mini marshmallows
- Toasted pecans

Prepare brownies as directed on the brownie box. When brownies are done sprinkle as many mini marsh-

mallows on them as you'd like and broil just until they start to brown. Melt milk chocolate icing in the microwave (this shouldn't take long at all). Drizzle as much icing as you'd like over the marshmallows (I use half of it). Top with toasted pecans. I toast my pecans in a cast-iron skillet with butter and salt until they start to brown (butter and salt make these). These are delicious!

Just Among Friends

By MARIANNE ENOCHS
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Hurricane Ida brought members of the Wendell Holmes, Sr. family to Philadelphia to take refuge from the storm's destruction.

Florine and Wendell Holmes, Sr. felt so blessed to have their son, Jeremy Lamont Holmes, and his wife, Ashley St. Julien Holmes, along with their five children, who came from New Orleans for safety. The family who arrived early last week felt so relieved to finally be in a safe environment.

The children had a good time at Imagination Fun Station and playing outside which they had been unable to do at home. Florine cooked some tasty dishes for the family as she loves to do. Hot meals were so much appreciated. Friends and other family members enjoyed spending time with Jeremy and his family. So happy they made it here safely!

Neshoba Central High School will hold a Parent/Student night on Thursday, September 28th, at 6:00 PM in the NCHS Cafeteria.

Topics to be discussed are policies pertaining to graduation requirements, attendance, college information, ACT test dates, FAFSA, scholarships, and special events. Mark your calendars for September 28th!

The fall football season has begun with high school and college football teams playing their first games over the Labor Day weekend. The Friday night lights at Philadelphia and Neshoba Central are a

welcome sight to fans.

Philadelphia has seven senior cheerleaders who are excited to cheer for the Tornados again after a year without football in Harpole Stadium or on the road. Cheering for the Tornados are seniors, Paris Hantzis, Rainah Moore, Hailley Donald, Ruthie Storment, Danajah Moore, Lakyia Houston, and T'Kenzley Moore. Best wishes for a great Tornado sports season!

While big sister, Tinsley, was at school, her little brother, Ty, went fishing with his grandparents, Rex and Jo Ann Tinsley Rounsaville. He learned to bait a hook from his grandmother, "Cushie," who patiently gave him lessons which he seemed to be very intent on learning.

Ty stood on the bank of the pond next to his grandfather, Rex, and threw his baited hook and line into the water. They both held their fishing poles and waited for the fish to bite. They made such a cute picture. The fishing trip was successful and the three had fun. Wonderful grandparents!

The fall football season kicked off for colleges and universities on Labor Day weekend. Several graduates of Philadelphia High School and Neshoba Central High School played their first game of the season, too. The fact that these young adults received scholarships to further their education is a positive reflection on the coaches and coaching staffs at both schools. The players have talent, but their talent was fostered and developed with the help of these professionals. It was a great combination for

them.

Of course, each of these players graduated from schools where they also learned academics, some for 12 years. The credit includes parents, teachers, and athletic staffs who worked together as well as the players who gave their best efforts.

Jarquez Hunter is playing for the Auburn War Eagles beginning this year. He is a former Rocket. Rocket Ladeatric! "Tulu" Griffin is in his sophomore year as an MSU Bulldog. He was a Philadelphia Tornado. Several former Neshoba Central Rockets are in their first year as Warriors at East Central Community College; Austin Day, Keaston Pearson, Ray Gibson, and Bryce Parkerson. Ja'Vien "Joker" Gill is playing for the MGCC Bulldogs. Congratulations and good luck for the season!

Cedar Lodge in Ridgedale, Missouri, was the setting for the wedding of Savannah Jones and Jonathan Simmons on September 5, 2021. The Lodge was the perfect venue for the occasion. A reception was held immediately following the ceremony.

The bride looked absolutely beautiful in her white gown and veil and the groom was so handsome. They made a per-

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Carefree Red Hatters meet in Ridgeland

The Carefree Red Hatters from Brandon/Canton and Philadelphia enjoyed their monthly meeting at the Cock of the Walk in Ridgeland. Those attending were Judy Ferguson, Glenda Ferguson, Jerrrie Whitten, Alexa Ferguson, Evelyn Ussery, Judy Arnett, Dot Williams, Sherrill Wilson and Nel Hurst.



'Back to School Bash' raises \$500

Kim Posey, Bank Manager of the Philadelphia Branch of Citizens National Bank, is shown presenting a \$500 check to Torion Emerson of the Boys & Girls Club of Neshoba County. These monies were donated to the Boys & Girls Club as part of the "Back to School Bash" sponsored by the Philadelphia Police Department. The funds will be used to purchase much needed school supplies for the club's after-school program, for which registration has begun.



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Henderson receives journalism scholarship

Jace Henderson of Philadelphia has been awarded the Bill and Jean May Scholarship at the University of Mississippi for the 2021-2022 academic year.

Henderson, the son of Tracey Armstrong, will receive a scholarship for \$2,000 for his junior year of study.

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Jace Henderson

Communications at The University of Mississippi, Henderson is a graduate of Newton County High School and received an Associate of Arts degree from East Central Community College.

Of Local Interest

4H MEET AND GREET

Neshoba County 4-H will be hosting a 4-H Meet and Greet at the Neshoba County Coliseum for on September 17th between 5 and 7 p.m. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome all our active 4-H'ers as well as our new 4-H'ers. We hope that you will join us in welcoming our two new County Agents, Chase Domingue and Anna Windham. If you are interested in attending, please call the office at 601-656-4011 or email abw456@msstate.edu to RSVP by September 10th. We look forward to meeting you all!

FREE VETERAN WORKSHOP

The Ivy Street Church of Christ will be hosting a free Veteran Workshop Saturday September 18, 2021 at 601 Ivy Street, Philadelphia, MS at 10:00 AM. It is for those Veterans trying to obtain or increase their VA disability, spouse of a Veteran, child of a Veteran, those taking care of their father or mother who is a Veteran or taking care of your father or mother who was married to a Veteran. For more information call 1-601-416-4550. MASK is required.

NESHOBA COUNTY SWCD NOW TAKING TREE ORDERS

The Neshoba County Soil and Water Conservation District will be taking tree orders through November

30th, 2021.

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The trees are bare root trees and will arrive in February 2022. By ordering bulk wholesale we can pass the savings on to you. Proceeds from tree sales will help support educational programs throughout the year.

If you have any questions, call 601-656-8783 Ext.3.

CHURCH REVIVAL

Mt. Olive Baptist Church in the Stephentown Community will hold a revival on September 26-29, 2021. The following pastors will be bringing the messages: Bro Joel Embrey will bring the message Sunday night at 6:00PM; Bro J.R. Eaton will bring the message Monday night at 7:00PM; Bro David Addy will bring the message Tuesday night at 7:00PM; Bro Joseph Knight will bring the message Wednesday night at 7:00PM. Everyone is invited to come and hear God's Word.

FAMILY REUNION

Thomas Caradine Family

Reunion Saturday, October 16, 2021 at Lake Tiak-O'Khata 10:am. Extended Families -Elisha Fedrick, McCrory, Barrett, Hembree and others, everyone welcome. For more information , Contact Barbara Caradine 205 921-4141 or Susan 601 504 0055.

FORESTRY ASSOCIATION

The Neshoba County Forestry Association will hold its Annual Fall Meeting on Tuesday, September 28th at 6 p.m. at the Neshoba County Coliseum. Tedrick Ratcliff, Executive Vice-President of MFA, will be our guest speaker where he will discuss "Forestry, Today, Tomorrow, and the Next Decade". People from all aspects of forestry will benefit from this presentation and are encouraged to attend. Penn's Restaurant will be providing Catfish and Shrimp for this event! Membership dues for the association are \$20 per year and will be accepted at the meeting. Please call the Neshoba County Extension office at (601)-656-4011 to pre-register for the meeting by Monday, September 27th, so we will know how much food to prepare.

REUNION CANCELLED

The 2021 Kea/Fryery reunion is cancelled due to Covid 19. Hope to see everyone in 2022.

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Friends

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fect couple. A large group of family and friends traveled to the destination wedding. The bride's parents are Doug and Deanna Prince Jones. Savannah's grandparents, Jimmy and

Phyllis Prince were present for this joyous event. Congratulations and best wishes for many years of happiness.

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Evan James Hamill, grandson of William and Kay Hamill, completed plebe summer and now is a plebe at the US Naval Academy, Class of 2025. Evan is the son of Gra-

ham and Kali Hamill of Stafford, VA. His father, Lt. Col. James G. Hamill, USMC, Ret., is a Naval Academy graduate himself, Class of 1994. Evan's older brother, Will, attends Virginia Tech and is a sophomore member of the Corps of Cadets there. Congratulations to both boys!

Thank you for your support during The Reflection of Life for Arceola Johnson Harris.

Thank you for your support and thoughtful words in this difficult time. Your thoughts and prayers have surely helped the family grieve this loss. We appreciate your sympathy during this difficult time.

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REVENUES	Governmental Fund Types				Proprietary Fund Type			TOTAL
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Debt Service	Permanent	Enterprise	Internal Service	
Amount necessary to be raised by tax levy	\$ 5,937,771.00	\$2,347,943.00	\$0.00	\$585,854.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,871,568.00
Taxes and ad valorem other than tax levy	\$220,015.00	\$7,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$227,515.00
Road and bridge privilege taxes	\$0.00	\$341,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$341,000.00
Licenses, commissions, and other revenue	\$301,050.00	\$12,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$313,050.00
Fines and forfeitures	\$506,500.00	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$510,500.00
Special assessments	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Intergovernmental Revenue								
Federal Sources	\$26,000.00	\$2,827,915.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,853,915.00
State Sources	\$1,034,000.00	\$1,848,547.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$22,500.00	\$0.00	\$2,905,047.00
Local Sources	\$104,000.00	\$58,601.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$162,601.00
Charges for Services	\$70,000.00	\$353,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$961,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,384,000.00
Interest Income	\$33,000.00	\$32,950.00	\$0.00	\$1,475.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$69,425.00
Miscellaneous revenue	\$236,500.00	\$68,500.00	\$0.00	\$243,650.00	\$0.00	\$9,000.00	\$0.00	\$557,650.00
Contributions to Permanent Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other financing sources	\$174,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$174,000.00
Total Revenues	\$8,642,836.00	\$7,901,956.00	\$0.00	\$830,979.00	\$0.00	\$994,500.00	\$0.00	\$18,370,271.00
Beginning Cash Balance	\$1,929,319.00	\$7,440,855.00	\$0.00	\$187,000.00	\$0.00	\$100,000.00	\$0.00	\$9,657,174.00
Total Revenues and Beginning Cash Balance	\$10,572,155.00	\$15,342,811.00	\$0.00	\$1,017,979.00	\$0.00	\$1,094,500.00	\$0.00	\$28,027,445.00
EXPENDITURES	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Debt Service	Permanent	Enterprise	Internal Service	TOTAL
General Government	\$4,006,736.00	\$2,530,700.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,537,436.00
Public Safety	\$3,636,653.00	\$1,962,016.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,598,669.00
Public Works	\$0.00	\$4,491,537.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$630,079.00	\$0.00	\$5,121,616.00
Health and Welfare	\$109,224.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$109,224.00
Culture and recreation	\$616,543.00	\$54,622.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$671,165.00
Education	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00
Conservation of Natural Resources	\$85,269.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$85,269.00
Economic development and assistance	\$85,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$85,000.00
Debt Service	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$829,619.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$829,619.00
Other expenditures	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other financing uses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Special Items	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Extraordinary Items	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Expenditures	\$8,589,425.00	\$9,038,875.00	\$0.00	\$829,619.00	\$0.00	\$630,079.00	\$0.00	\$19,087,998.00
Ending cash balance	\$1,982,730.00	\$6,303,936.00	\$0.00	\$188,360.00	\$0.00	\$464,421.00	\$0.00	\$8,939,447.00
Total Expenditures and Ending Cash Balance	\$10,572,155.00	\$15,342,811.00	\$0.00	\$1,017,979.00	\$0.00	\$1,094,500.00	\$0.00	\$28,027,445.00

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Sports



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Choctaw Central defenders Dylan Stephens (27), Javon Williams (88), Channing Jimmie (8) and Braylon McMillian (18) close in on a runner.

Warriors unite to take victory over Nanih Waiya

By **ROBBIE ROBERTSON**
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Choctaw Central football coach Pepper Posey finally feels like he can get started with football season.

After starting the season with as many as 16 players quarantined, the Warriors are finally back at full strength and it showed last Thursday night.

The Warriors used an opportunistic defense and big-play offense to take a 27-19 win over visiting Nanih Waiya.

Choctaw Central improves to 1-1 on the season and will travel to Lake this week.

Posey said he thought his team played much better this week.

"Last week was really our first full week with everybody back," Posey said. "I thought the kids fought well. We did a lot of good things on both

sides of the football. There were a lot of things we could have done better. What I was really proud of is when we went behind late in the game, our kids didn't drop their heads. They fought back and got the lead and then went ahead and put it away. I was proud of that."

Choctaw got the first break of the game when they recovered a Tanner Courtney fumble at their own 45. Eight plays later, Brydon Wesley scored on a six-yard run with 3:47 left in the first quarter. Kashton Grisham kicked the PAT and Choctaw led 7-0.

That score held until halftime as Nanih Waiya had two more turnovers and got to the Choctaw 28 late in the second before turning the ball over on downs.

"We had a great game plan on defense," Posey said. "We were in the backfield a lot and did some good

things. There are some things we have to correct but we played with a lot of effort. Our linebackers played well and flew to the ball. We have some work to do with our defensive tackles. But we caused a lot of turnovers and that was probably the difference in the game."

Nanih Waiya got the ball to start the second half and went 52 yards in nine plays for a touchdown. Rico Moore scored on a one-yard run with 6:59 left in the third to tie the game at 7-7.

Choctaw answered as the Warriors went 61 yards in three plays for a score. Eli Joe scored on a 45-yard run with 5:50 left in the third. The PAT failed and Choctaw held a 13-7 lead.

After the two teams traded turnovers, Nanih Waiya got back even with a trick play as Moore threw a 65-yard halfback pass to tie the game. The PAT failed to leave the score tied at 13-13.

Nanih Waiya took the lead 19-13 early in the fourth before Choctaw got rolling.

But Choctaw answered back as Joe threw a 50-yard bomb. Grisham's PAT was good and Choctaw Central led 20-19.

Choctaw put the game away late in the fourth after a fifth Nanih Waiya turnover. Eli Joe scored on a long run with 4:40 left in the game. Grisham's PAT was good and Choctaw Central led 27-19.

Nanih Waiya made a late charge as they put together a nine-play drive. Courtney threw a late interception to give Choctaw Central the win.

"We bent but we didn't break," Posey said. "We gave up some plays and bent but they didn't break and didn't give up and I'm proud of that."

SEC action

Kentucky (2-0) outlasted a stubborn Missouri Tiger crew (1-1), 35-28. In non-conference games, Arkansas (2-0) welcomed future SEC member Texas to the conference as the Razorbacks blasted the Longhorns, 40-21. Vanderbilt (1-1) recorded their first win, 24-21, at Colorado State. Texas A&M (2-0) struggled to win at Colorado, 10-7, while South Carolina escaped with a 20-17 win over East Carolina. Tennessee (1-1) was the only SEC school to lose this past Saturday, falling to Pittsburgh in the Johnny Major Classic, 41-34. Alabama, Auburn, Florida, Georgia and LSU all won big. This week, we have three games that should be worth watching as Alabama hits the road to Florida, Auburn visits Penn State and South Carolina goes to Georgia.

Hunter leads Auburn rushers

Former Neshoba Central standout Jarquez Hunter has been outstanding in Auburn's first two games. He is averaging 15.1 yards per carry and has scored two touchdowns. He has rushed 17 times for 257 yards, including a 94-yard TD run against Alabama State Saturday in the Tigers' 62-0 win.

JSU & DSU perfect

Jackson State (2-0) steamrolled Tennessee State, 38-16, behind Shedeur Sanders, son of Tiger coach Dejon Sanders, who passed for 362 yards and three scores. JSU heads to Louisiana Monroe Saturday night for their next action. Alcorn drove 92 yards in 10 plays in the final period to clip Northwestern State, 13-10. The Braves (1-1) will travel to South Alabama this week. Mississippi Valley (0-1) was open this past weekend and will head to Stephen F. Austin this Saturday.

Delta State (2-0) romped for the second straight week as Patrick Shegog passed for three scores and ran for two more in a 45-17 win over McKendree. This week, the Statesmen travel to West Georgia. Belhaven (1-1) fell to Southwestern, 34-27, last Saturday in their American SW Conference opener. This week, the Blazers travel to Hardin-Simmons. Millsaps (0-1) and Mississippi College (0-1) were idle this past weekend. The Majors travel to Southwestern while the Choctaws will play at Fort Lauderdale.

Odds & Ends

Florida State (0-2) lost for the first time in program history to a FCS school as they fell to Jacksonville (AL), 21-17, on a 59-yard pass with no time to play.

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Lady Rebels close in on district championship

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The Leake Academy Lady Rebels moved a few steps closer to another district championship last week with a pair of wins.

Leake Academy no-hit Winston Academy 10-0 on Tuesday and then took an 8-2 win over East Rankin on Thursday.

Leake Academy, now 16-2 on the season, is scheduled to play at Simpson on Monday and then host Magnolia Heights on Tuesday. The Lady Rebels will then play in Jackson Prep Tournament at the Magee Sportsplex

on Saturday. Leake will then host Park Place on Monday and East Rankin on Tuesday

Lady Rebels 10 Winston 0

The Lady Rebels got a no-hitter from Lynleigh Burt as they shut out the Lady Patriots in a five-inning district win on Tuesday.

Leake Academy scored single runs in the second and third before exploding for six runs in the fourth and two in the fifth to take the win.

Leake had 13 hits in the contest. Jenna Chamblee was 3-for-4 with a triple and two RBIs while Olivia

Rudolph was 2-for-3 with a double, triple, two runs scored and two RBIs. Emmajane Leopard was 2-for-3 and scored two runs while Caroline Cheatham was 2-for-2 and scored two runs. Emeri Warren was 2-for-3 while Lily McDonald doubled and drove in two runs. Marleigh Myers also doubled and scored a run.

Burt pitched all five innings and struck out seven and hit just one batter.

Lady Rebels 8 East Rankin 2

Each team had nine hits but the Lady Rebels were able to score their runners as they took a six-run win over

the Lady Patriots on Thursday in a makeup contest.

Leake Academy scored three in the first and one in the second and led 3-2 after three innings. Leake added single runs in the fourth and fifth innings before finishing with two in the sixth.

Miley Billie was 2-for-3 with a double and two runs scored while Leopard was 2-for-4 with two doubles. Grace Maxey was 2-for-2 with two walks, two RBIs and two stolen bases.

Burt pitched all seven innings as she scattered nine hits and two walks while striking out six.

Tornadoes rally for another last-minute victory Friday night

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Chancellor Greer scored the tying touchdown and Adrian Luke booted the winning extra point to lift the Philadelphia High School Tornadoes to a 40-39 victory over Leake Central Friday night in prep football action at Harpole Field.

For the second week in a row, the Tornadoes came from behind in the final minutes to take a one-point victory. From the start, the game went back and forth and was tied five times.

"Offensively, we played well, probably the best we have done all year," Coach David Frey said. "It was back and forth. I talked about how fast their quarterback was all last week and that's what hurt us."

"Defensively, we weren't sharp at all. We lost our outside containment and their quarterback got loose several times. He was that fast. We have to do a lot better defensively. Running quarterbacks hurt us and we have to focus on keeping containment. We are going to see that again this week against Winona. We are going to face a good running back and a good quarterback."

Philadelphia took the opening kickoff and drove 65 yards in 11 plays for a touchdown. Quarterback Marcus Beamon bolted 15 yards to put the ball on the one-yard line. On the next play, Greer carried it into the endzone for a touchdown. The extra point try failed and the Tornadoes led 6-0 with 7:48

left in the first quarter.

Leake Central took the ensuing kickoff and put the ball in the end zone two plays later when quarterback Jarkea Reed ran 48 yards for a touchdown. The extra point try failed and the score was tied at 6-6.

Philadelphia responded with a 10-play scoring drive that covered 69 yards. Beamon found Trey Posey on a 3-yard pass play for the score. Adrian Luke kicked the extra point and the Tornadoes led 13-6 with 3:31 left in the first quarter.

Leake Central came back with a drive of its own. The Gators took the ball on their own 41-yard line and drove it in for a touchdown in 10 plays. Reed found Kierrius Carson in the endzone for the score. The kick was good and the score was tied at 13-13 with 11:48 left in the second quarter.

The Tornadoes came right back with another scoring drive. This time, Beamon connected with Darius Grady on a 12-yard touchdown pass, capping a seven-play, 57-yard drive. Luke's kick was good and the Tornadoes led 20-13 with 8:39 left in the second quarter.

One play after the kickoff, Reed broke for an 80-yard run to put the Gators in the end zone. The kick was good with 8:09 left in the second quarter and the score was tied at 20-20.

Beamon connected with Dee Burnside for a 34-yard completion that put the Tornadoes on the Leake Central 15-yard line. On the next play, Greer scored on a 15-yard run. Luke's



Photo by Leroy Clemons

Tornado defender Keathan Graham (12) brings down a Leake Central runner.

kick was good and the Tornadoes led 27-20 with 6:43 left in the half.

The Gators came up with another big play as Reed connected with Dedrick Hartfield on a 76-yard TD pass play. The kick was good and the score was tied at 27-27 with 5:27 left in the half.

Leake Central scored the final points of the half as Reed ran 88 yards for a touchdown. The try for two failed and the Gators led 33-27 at the half.

Philadelphia forced Leake Central to punt and took over on its 32-yard

line. Four plays later, the Tornadoes were in the end zone as Greer scored on a six-yard run. The try for two failed and the score was tied at 33-33.

That would end the scoring for both teams in the third quarter. Cornerback Keathan Graham returned an interception 100 yards for an apparent Tornado touchdown but a penalty called it back.

Leake Central forced the Tornadoes to punt and took over on the Gators' 42-yard line. Leake Central put together a 15-play drive that ended when Reed scored on an eight-yard run. The kick failed and the Gators led 39-33 with 3:43 left in the game.

The Tornadoes took the ball on the Leake Central 45-yard line after the kickoff. Greer ran the ball five plays in a row and scored a touchdown on a 14-yard run. Luke's kick was good and the Tornadoes led 40-39 with 2:28 left in the game.

The Tornado defense held the Gators to four plays. Philadelphia took over and the time expired.

Beamon finished the night with 266 total yards. He rushed 15 times for 144 yards and completed 6-of-11 passes for 122 yards. Greer rushed 24 times for 207 yards.

The Tornadoes, now 2-1, will host Winona Friday night. The Tigers come in at 3-0 following wins over Choctaw County 35-19, Newton County 50-47, and J.Z. George 62-32. Leake Central, now 0-3, will host North Pike Friday.

Injury turns game as Rebels take victory

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For a quarter and a half, the Leake and Union football game lived up to all of the hype.

But then Union quarterback Kenyon Clay went down with an ankle injury.

The Rebels then scored 35 unanswered points and rolled to a 48-13 win over the Yellowjackets in the first-ever meeting between the two schools.

Leake Academy improves to 3-1 on the season and will travel to Simpson County Academy on Saturday to open district play. Union falls to 1-2 on the season and will host Newton County Friday.

"Our kids came out with a lot of intensity and executed well," Leake coach Brian Pickens said. "We scored on every possession in the first half. You could tell the kids were excited and played with a lot of energy and effort. And I thought our defense played really well. They really only gave up the one play and we knew (Clay) was going to make plays."

It was the exact opposite for Union coach Jordan Wren, who saw his team's best player go down with an ankle injury in the middle of the second quarter.

"It was a good game until Kenyon got hurt," Wren said. "Once he got hurt, the air went out of our sails. Any time you take the best player and put a

freshman in there, it's going to be a drop-off. The same thing happened last year when he went out. It was just one of those nights."

After forcing Union to punt on its first possession, Leake went 61 yards in eight plays. Canon Parks ripped off a big 26-yard run and finished it off with a three-yard run with 4:31 left in the first quarter. Cole Arthur hit the PAT and Leake led 7-0 early.

The Yellowjackets answered right back as Clay returned the ensuing kick 99 yards for a touchdown. The try for two failed and Leake led 7-6 with 4:21 left in the first quarter.

The Rebels then went 65 yards in 10 plays as Rhett Atkinson hit Riley Myers on a 14-yard touchdown pass with 20 seconds left in the first quarter. The PAT failed and Leake led 13-7.

The Yellowjackets again answered right back when Clay scrambled and hit Kaleb Casey on a 50-yard touchdown pass with 9:53 left in the second quarter. The PAT was good and Union tied the game at 13-13.

The Rebels then went 45 yards in six plays. After a big 36-yard completion to Levi Brown, Atkinson hit the Leake Academy senior on a five-yard touchdown pass with 7:11 left in the second quarter. Arthur hit the PAT and Leake led 20-13.

On Union's next possession, Clay was tackled on third down



Photo by Kalie Parks

The Leake Academy defense wraps up Union's Kenyon Clay in a 48-13 win.

and went out for the night with an ankle injury.

Things went downhill for Union quickly at that point. The Rebels got the ball on the Union 28 after a short punt. Three plays later, Atkinson hit Aiden Watkins on a 29-yard touchdown pass with 3:30 left in the first half. Arthur hit the PAT and Leake led 27-13.

Union went three and out on offense and Leake quickly

moved down the field on offense. Parks ripped off runs of 17 and 21 yards. Then Atkinson finished off the drive with a 25-yard touchdown pass to Riley Myers with 1:04 left in the first half. Arthur's PAT was good and Leake led 34-13 at the half.

The Rebels got the ball to open the second half and went 60 yards in eight plays behind the running of Parks and Whitt Welch. Atkinson finished off the

drive with a nine-yard touchdown run with 9:17 left in the third. Arthur's PAT was good and Leake led 41-13.

A series of personal fouls on Rebels moved Union to the Leake 10. But the Leake defense held and took over on their own 5. From there, Parks ripped off runs of 15 and 20 yards and went 95 yards in 10 plays as Welch scored on a seven-yard run for the Rebels

with 11:42 left in the fourth. Arthur's PAT was good and Leake led 48-13.

Leake Academy had 430 yards of total offense with 155 yards passing and 275 rushing. Atkinson was 10-of-16 passing for 155 yards and four TDs. Parks led the rushing attack with 129 yards on 11 carries while Welch had 90 yards on 20 carries. Myers had six catches for 77 yards and two TDs while Brown had two catches for 41 yards and Watkins had two catches for 37 yards.

Nick Gomillion led the Leake defense with two solo tackles and seven assists. Kade Marble had four solo tackles and two assists while Ethan Dunn had one solo and six assists. Jake Brown also had an interception for the Rebels.

Union had just 132 yards of total offense with 42 yards rushing on 24 carries while throwing for 90 yards on 7-of-13 attempts.

Clay was 5-of-5 passing for 80 yards and a TD. Carlos Hickmon had 21 yards rushing on 10 carries while Xavier Boler had 19 yards rushing on five attempts.

Hickmon led the Union defense with nine tackles while Eli Rigdon had seven stops. Ky'Yon Harris had six tackles while Cameron Hickman had five stops. Tank Haralson, William Hughlett and A.J. Wilson each had four tackles.

Undefeated Neshoba Central team claims first region win

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The Neshoba Central Rockets picked up their first Region 2-5A victory of the season Friday night as they rolled over Forest Hill 45-14 in prep football action.

The Rockets now stand at 3-0 overall and 1-0 in the Region 2-5A standings. They visit Holmes County Central this Friday night in a key Region 2-5A contest.

Neshoba Central is ranked No. 5 in a state poll of Class 5A teams by Mississippi Scorebook

Live.

After a scoreless first quarter, Hunter Bavetta kicked a 35-yard field goal. With 11:05 remaining in the second quarter, the Rockets led 3-0.

Neshoba Central scored on its next possession when quarterback Eli Anderson passed to Bryceton Spencer on a 33-yard TD pass. Bavetta's kick was good and the Rockets led 10-0 with 8:51 left in the second quarter.

Anderson went back to air on Neshoba Central's next possession when he connected with Dez McWilliams on a 46-yard

touchdown pass. Bavetta's kick was good and Neshoba Central led 17-0 with 1:50 left in the half.

Forest Hill got on the scoreboard with 12 seconds left in the half on a 21-yard TD play. The Patriots scored on the two-point conversion and Neshoba Central led 17-8 at the half.

Forest Hill scored again with 3:15 left in the third quarter on a four-yard run. The run failed and the Rockets led 17-14.

Neshoba Central scored with five seconds left in the third quarter when Anderson ran the ball in from two yards out.

Bavetta's kick was good and the Rockets led 24-14.

The Rockets got a couple of interceptions in the fourth quarter and put the game away. Jaharon Griffin picked off a pass, giving Neshoba Central possession on the Patriots' two-yard line. Anderson scored on the next play when he ran it in. Bavetta's kick was good and Neshoba Central led 31-14 with 10:21 left in the game.

On their next possession, Anderson passed to Ja'Naylon Dupree on a 25-yard TD pass. Bavetta's kick was good and the Rockets led 38-14 with three

minutes left.

On the play following the kickoff, Brayden Reynolds intercepted a pass for the Rockets. Anderson connected with Dupree on a 30-yard TD pass play. Bavetta's kick was good with 2:27 remaining to the scoring.

The Rockets finished with 352 total yards. Anderson had all of Neshoba Central's 288 passing yards as he completed 16-of-29 passes. The Rockets rushed 15 times for 64 yards. Dupree had seven catches for 91 yards while Dez McWilliams had two catches for 90 yards. Elijah Ruf-

fin caught five passes for 52 yards and Spencer had three catches for 50 yards. Zander Kirkland was the leading rusher with 53 yards on eight carries.

On defense, lineman Maxton Woodard had four quarterback hurries, three tackles and three assists. Kelbee Holmes had seven tackles, one assist and tackle for loss. Elijah Ruffin had one sack and two tackles. Braydon Reynolds had an interception, a tackle and an assist.

Forest Hill falls to 0-3. The Patriots host Wingfield Friday.

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