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Fire Marshal Urges Fire Safety

Fire Prevention Week™ (FPW™) is October 4–10, 2026

JACKSON, Miss. — The Mississippi State Fire Marshal’s Office (SFMO) is teaming up with the National Fire Protection Association® (NFPA®) to support Fire Prevention Week. This year’s theme, “Charge into Fire Safety: Safe Charging Is a Superpower,” focuses on the simple steps people can take to recharge safely.

Many devices used in our daily lives, like phones, tablets, laptops, tools, toys, e-bikes, and scooters, run on rechargeable lithium-ion batteries, which store a lot of energy in a small space. If they are damaged or charged the wrong way, they can overheat, start a fire, or even explode.

“There have been at least 15 fires caused by lithium-ion batteries this year in our state,” said State Fire Marshal and Insurance Commissioner Mike Chaney. “The way you charge your lithium-ion battery devices can make a difference in helping prevent home fires. It comes down to using simple habits each time you plug in.”

Use the cord and charger that came with your device or one approved by the manufacturer. Using the wrong charger can damage the battery and increase the risk of fire.

- Charge devices on a table, desk, or other hard, flat surface. Do not charge them on beds, couches, or under pillows. Devices and chargers produce heat during normal charging. Soft surfaces can trap heat and block airflow, which can cause the battery to overheat.
- Stop using your device if it feels very hot, starts to swell, is smoking, or has a strange smell. These are warning signs that the battery may be damaged or failing.
- Unplug your device when it is fully charged. Do not leave it plugged in longer than needed. Leaving a device plugged in too long can increase heat and stress on the battery.
- Charge larger items like e-bikes, scooters, and power tools outside and away from exits. These batteries are larger and store more energy. If they fail, fires can grow quickly and spread.
- When on a plane, keep your device where you can see it while charging. Do not charge devices in overhead compartments. Do not charge e-cigarettes or vapes on a plane. If a battery overheats or fails, it is important for the flight crew to respond quickly.

For more information about Fire Prevention Week and smoke alarms, visit fpw.org

The SFMO offers more safety tips online at <https://www.mid.ms.gov/mississippi-insurance-department/preparedness/fire-preparedness/>

Ag Commissioner applauds Trump Administration’s fuel costs action

JACKSON, Miss. – Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson issued the following statement regarding President Trump’s Executive Order temporarily allowing off-road dyed diesel for highway use and deferring the applicable Federal excise tax to help lower fuel costs.

“I applaud President Trump and his Administration for taking action to provide much-needed relief at the pump for hardworking farmers, loggers and truckers here in Mississippi and across America. I also commend Governor Reeves for lifting enforcement of the prohibition of dyed diesel on our highways. These actions ensure access to fuel at more affordable prices and keep commerce flowing.

Agriculture is the backbone of our economy and the lifeblood of our rural communities, but rising input costs, historically high fuel prices and depressed commodity prices continue to squeeze already-thin profit margins and put tremendous financial pressure on our producers.

While only a temporary measure, this relief comes at a critical time. With harvest in full swing, farmers are working around the clock to harvest and transport the crops that feed and clothe our state, nation and world. Reducing fuel costs provides immediate, meaningful relief when our producers need it most.

The State of Mississippi can do more. First, we need to make sure that we have ample supply of red dye nationwide to get through this temporary crisis. Secondly, those buying gasoline or on-road diesel for their vehicles are still paying nearly 25 cents per gallon for state fuel taxes.

Most of our neighboring states have suspended state fuel taxes for gasoline and undyed diesel. Mississippi can do the same, even if it takes a Special Session. Our legislators are telling me they are ready to act to give fuel tax relief to everyone - our commuters, retirees, families and working people. Temporary legislative funding measures can be approved to keep construction projects rolling.

I appreciate President Trump and Governor Reeves not only recognizing the challenges facing our agricultural economy but also acting on the concerns of our agricultural community. We must continue working together to keep farmers in the fields, food on our tables and American agriculture moving forward.”

HCHS Coronation



On September 30th, Humphreys County High School held there 2026 coronation of Mr. and Miss HCHS. Pictured are Miss HCHS Raeghan Lloyd and Mr. HCHS Tradarrious Smith, joined by HCHS Assistant Principal Louis James, HCHS Principal Janina Tanner and HCSD Superintendent Dr. Stanley Ellis

Photo submitted by Humphreys County School District

Mississippi Delta Community College Centennial Homecoming Parade

Mississippi Delta Community College invites alumni, students, employees and community members to attend the Centennial Homecoming Parade on Saturday, Oct. 10, 2026.

This year’s parade is part of MDCC’s 100th anniversary celebration and will recognize a century of Trojan pride, tradition and excellence.

Event: MDCC Centennial Homecoming Parade

Date: Saturday, Oct. 10, 2026

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Mississippi Delta Community College, Moorhead Campus

Starting Area: Allied Health Parking Lot/Cherry Street

Theme: A Century of Excellence: Celebrating 100 Years of Trojan Pride

The community is encouraged to come out, enjoy the parade and help MDCC celebrate 100 years of excellence.

HA Homecoming is October 9th



Humphreys Academy has chosen their 2026 Homecoming Court. Pictured Left to Right: Freshman maid, Millie Piper Rowland, Sophomore Maid Joie Beth Taylor, Junior maid Peyton Millican, Senior Maids Jane Audrie Towery, Felicity Prewitt, & Emma Faye Buchanan, Junior maid Jana Kate Pinson, Sophomore maid Francine Prewitt, and Freshman maid Ayanna Dean.

Pictured front, center are Flower Girl, Mari Alice Robertson and Crown Bearer, Jack Purvis.

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NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on July 17, 2024, Hall Healthcare, LLC AKA Hall Healthcare Staffing Service, LLC, executed a Deed of Trust to Cousie Giglio, Trustee, for the benefit of Guaranty Bank and Trust Company, which Deed of Trust is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Humphreys County, Mississippi, in Book 363 at Page 494 thereof; and

WHEREAS, the legal holder of the said Deed of Trust and the note secured thereby, substituted Ben C. Hudson of Hudson Law Firm as Trustee therein, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 378 at Page 280 thereof; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the performance of said deed of trust and the holder thereof having requested the undersigned to sell said land as provided by law and by said deed of trust;

THEREFORE notice is hereby given that Ben C. Hudson of Hudson Law Firm, Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in said Deed of Trust, will, on **October 15, 2026**, during the legal hours (between the hours of 11 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m.), at the front steps of the Humphreys County Courthouse, 102 Castleman Street, Belzoni, Mississippi, 39038, offer for sale and will sell at public sale and outcry to the highest and best bidder for certified funds, the following described land and property, being the same land and property described in said Deed of Trust, situated in Humphreys County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

East 91 feet part of Lot 4 of the M. Cohn's Subdivision of Lots 129, 130, and 134 of Briley's Addition to the City of Belzoni, Humphreys County, Mississippi, as per map or plat thereof on file in the office of the Chancery clerk of Humphreys County, Mississippi.

I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.

WITNESS my signature, on this 15th day of September, 2026.

/s/ Ben C. Hudson, Esq.
 Substituted Trustee
 Ben C. Hudson, MSB #106554
 Hudson Law Firm
 115 Northside Center
 Kosciusko, MS 39090
 662-290-7503

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HUMPHREYS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CHARLIE FRIZELL, JR., DECEASED
CAUSE NO. :2020-0089
TERRANCE "TERRIE" ANN WILLIAMS-FRIZELL, PETITIONER

RULE 4 SUMMONS (BY PUBLICATION)

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
 COUNTY OF HUMPHREYS

TO: ANY AND ALL KNOWN HEIRS AT LAW; AND ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF CHARLIE FRIZELL, JR., DECEASED

ANY AND ALL KNOWN HEIRS AT LAW; AND ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF ANTHONY FRIZELL, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

You have been made Respondents to a Petition to Determine the Heirs at Law of Charlie Frizell, Jr., deceased, filed by Terrance "Terrie" Ann Williams-Frizell.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition for Determination of Heirs at Law of Charlie Frizell, Jr., deceased, in this action at 9:00 a.m. on the 19th day of November, 2026 before the Honorable Chancellor Debra Giles, Sunflower County Chancery Courthouse; 200 Main Street; Indianola, Mississippi 38751, 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 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 the Court, this the 16th day of September, 2026.

(Seal)

MACK D. LIDDELL, CHANCERY CLERK
 HUMPHREYS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

By: /s/Mack D. Liddell, Jr.
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HUMPHREYS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
RE: THE WILL AND ESTATE OF BILLY GEORGE JANOUS, SR., DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 26-0040

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

WHEREAS, Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Billy George Janous, Sr., deceased, were duly issued to the undersigned as Co-Executors of the estate by the Chancery Court of Humphreys County, Mississippi, on the 4th day of September, 2026; therefore, legal notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the estate are required by law to have them filed, probated, and registered with the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Humphreys County, Mississippi, at Belzoni, Mississippi, within ninety (90) days time from the publication of this notice, and the failure to file, probate, and register their claims with the Clerk within the time will forever bar the claims.

/s/ Billy George Janous, Jr.

Billy George Janous, Jr., Co-Executor of the Estate of Billy George Janous, Sr.

/s/ Jay Bradley Janous

Jay Bradley Janous, Co-Executor of the Estate of Billy George Janous, Sr.

/s/ Kelly Janous Kiker

Kelly Janous Kiker, Co-Executor of the Estate of Billy George Janous, Sr.

ATTORNEYS FOR CO-EXECUTORS:

/s/ Treva L. McInnis

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HUMPHREYS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

In the Matter of the Estate

BERNICE CARPENTER

CAUSE NO. : 2024-0052

JOYCE ANN PEREZ, PETITIONER

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 15th day of September, 2026, by the Chancery Court of Humphreys County, State of Mississippi, to the undersigned Administrator upon the Estate of Bernice Carpenter, 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 15th day of September, 2026.

/s/ Joyce Ann Perez

Joyce Ann Perez, Administrator

Estate of Bernice Carpenter, Deceased

Joel L. Blackledge (MSB # 10606)

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HUMPHREYS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

No. 2026-0025

In the matter of the

Estate of BRANERIC LAMAR HOLMES,

Deceased

BURL HOLMES, III, Petitioner

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: ALL KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS

AT LAW OF BRANERIC LAMAR HOLMES,

DECEASED

AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS

CLAIMING OR HAVING A LEGAL OR

EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF

BRANERIC LAMAR HOLMES, DECEASED

You have been made a defendant in a matter filed before this Court by BURL HOLMES, III, seeking a determination of heirship in accordance with the laws of the State of Mississippi. Those claiming to be lawful heirs of BRANERIC LAMAR HOLMES are BURL HOLMES, III, BURL HOLMES, JR., BETTY HOLMES and ANGELICA HOLMES. You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Petition filed in this action to Jonathan W. Davis, J.W. Davis, PLLC, Post Office Box 29, Indianola, Mississippi 38751-0029.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE 7th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2026 WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE PETITION AND THIS COURT WILL ESTABLISH THE HEIRS AT LAW OF BRANERIC LAMAR HOLMES, DECEASED.

You must also file the original of your response with the clerk of this Court.

You are further summoned to appear and defend the Petition to Determine Heirs at Law of BRANERIC LAMAR HOLMES, Deceased, before the Chancery Court of Sunflower County, Mississippi on the 10th day of DECEMBER, 2026, at 9:00 o'clock a.m. at the Sunflower County Chancery Courthouse in Indianola, Mississippi, to show cause, if any you can, in Cause No. **CV26-25**, wherein you are a respondent, why BURL HOLMES, III, BURL HOLMES, JR., BETTY HOLMES and ANGELICA HOLMES should not be declared as only heirs at law of BRANERIC LAMAR HOLMES, deceased, pursuant to Section 91-1-27, et seq. of the Mississippi Code, and why such other relief prayed for should not be granted. In case of your failure to appear and defend, a Decree will be entered finding the above-named to be the only heirs at law of BRANERIC LAMAR HOLMES, deceased.

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF THIS COURT, this the 2nd day of October, 2026.

/s/MACK D. LIDDELL, JR., CHANCERY CLERK

HUMPHREYS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

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Brooks Aycock III

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James W. Sandifer

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Kenny Rodgers

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All land owned by An Dabney Faulkner is posted against all forms of trespassing.

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CONSERVATION CORNER

National Wildlife Refuge Week



by James L. Cummins

This year National Wildlife Refuge Week will be observed during the week of October 10-17, 2026. At refuges that charge an entrance fee, those fees will be waived on Sunday, October 11. If you have never visited a refuge before, this would be a great time to plan to go.

The National Wildlife Refuge System helps to protect wildlife, generate jobs, provide clean air and water, reduce flooding, educate children about nature and offer protected places to fish and hike and enjoy the outdoors. Every state has at least one national wildlife refuge, many within an hour's drive of most major cities.

In 1964, Congress passed the Wilderness Act. The 1964 law created the National Wilderness Preservation System, which protects nearly 110 million acres of wilderness nationwide. Of those, 20 million are on refuge land. The wilderness is just that—wild land that is largely undeveloped and unmanaged—that can offer outstanding opportunities for wildlife observation, hiking, other non-motorized outdoor recreation, and solitude.

National Wildlife Refuge Week highlights the value of national wildlife refuges to wildlife and people alike and is a great time to get

outdoors and explore your local refuge. It provides an ideal opportunity to discover the precious legacy that refuges represent for generations to come.

The National Wildlife Refuge System, managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, provides vital habitat for thousands of native species, including sandhill cranes, American alligators, bison, and sea turtles. National wildlife refuges offer outstanding recreation, too. Refuge Week is a perfect time to see why tens of millions of Americans visit refuges each year to enjoy fishing, hunting, hiking, and wildlife watching.

Wildlife refuges also add to Americans' comfort and safety by curbing flood risk and wildfire damage, providing cleaner air and water, and supporting local communities. In carrying out the Refuge System's wildlife conservation mission, under the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997, wildlife refuges pump \$3.2 billion per year into regional economies and support more than 41,000 jobs.

The Refuge System includes 570 national wildlife refuges and 38 wetland management districts covering 95 million acres of land. In Mississippi there are 14 national wildlife refuges.

National Wildlife Refuge Week is celebrated at refuges with festivals, educational programs, guided tours, and other events.

So find a refuge near you, mark your calendar, and go see what all the fuss is about.

James L. Cummins is executive director of Wildlife Mississippi, a nonprofit conservation organization founded to conserve, restore, and enhance fish, wildlife, and plant resources throughout Mississippi. Their web site is www.wildlifemiss.org.

Imagine I tell my daughter she needs to start studying more because her grades are slipping.

She comes up with a plan. She and several friends will form a study group. Once a week, they'll meet at a different person's house and spend a couple of hours studying together.

Sounds like a good idea to me.

So I do what parents do. I make sure she follows through. Is she actually going? Is she staying the whole time? Is she really studying?

She is.

By the usual definition of accountability, everything is going according to plan. She said she would study more, and she is.

But then her grades get worse.

The problem isn't that she failed to follow through. The problem is that five teenagers sitting around a kitchen table may not be the most effective way to study. They talk. They laugh. They check their phones. They distract one another.

She kept her end of the bargain.

The idea just didn't work the way we expected.

That doesn't necessarily mean I should cancel the study group. Maybe they need to put their phones away. Maybe the group needs more structure. Maybe she'd do better studying with one or two friends instead of five.

But I do need to sit down with her and say, "This isn't working the way we hoped. Something needs to change."

We spend a lot of time holding people accountable for doing what they say they're going to do. Maybe we should hold ideas accountable too.

That requires asking two

WHEN GOOD IDEAS DON'T WORK

different questions:

Did the person or organization do what they promised?

And did what they promised actually work?

We're pretty good at asking the first question. We're not nearly as good at asking the second.

Life is busy. It's much easier to hear about an idea, decide whether we like it, and move on. Once a proposal passes, most of us assume it's doing more or less what it was designed to do. We rarely circle back to check.

But results are often more complicated than anyone predicted.

Suppose a state ties school funding more closely to standardized test scores, believing that measuring results will improve them. Sounds reasonable enough.

But if we follow up, we might discover that schools changed what they teach. More time goes toward material likely to appear on standardized tests while things that are harder to measure – critical thinking, the arts, other subjects – receive less attention.

Nobody intended that. It happened anyway.

Sometimes the surprise works in the other direction. When cities began putting cameras at intersections to catch drivers running red lights, plenty of people objected. Some saw them as a cash grab or government looking over their shoulder. But later research found that, in many places, cameras reduced some of the most serious crashes.

An idea some people expected to fail worked better than they thought.

The lesson isn't that one idea was foolish and the other wise. The lesson is that we couldn't know the full effects until someone went back and looked.

There's a name for these

surprises: unintended consequences.

Whenever we change something, other things tend to change with it. We cannot anticipate every effect. But once those effects become visible, we have new information – and new information should matter.

Following up is only the first step. Once we learn what actually happened, we have to be willing to reassess what we originally thought.

Maybe we backed something that sounded great and produced consequences we never saw coming. Maybe we opposed something that worked better than we expected.

And sometimes the right response isn't to declare victory or defeat. It's to adjust.

Just as I wouldn't cancel my daughter's study group the moment her grades slipped, we shouldn't abandon every policy the first time something goes wrong. But neither should we keep doing exactly the same thing simply because we once thought it was a good idea.

If the results aren't matching the goal, something needs to change.



by Raymond Barranco

There should be no shame in discovering that a good idea didn't work as well as we hoped – or that an idea we opposed worked better than we feared.

None of us can see around every corner. Getting a prediction wrong isn't the mistake.

The mistake is refusing to look back once we've turned the corner.

Good intentions matter. Plans matter. Following through matters.

But following the plan is not the same thing as the plan working.

If we expect people to answer for what they do, we should expect the same from our ideas.

Ideas should have to answer for what they produce.

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Chancery Clerk s Conveyance

Land Sold for Taxes

(Title 39, Div 10, Mississippi Code 1942. As Amended)

The State of Mississippi

County of Humphreys

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Be it known that VEDA HORTON, Tax Collector of said County of Humphreys, did on the 31ST day of AUGUST A.D., 2020 according to law, sell the following described land, situated in said county and assessed to CROWDER IDELLA N to wit:

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For the taxes assessed thereon for the year, A.D., 2019, when WOODMARK INVESTMENTS,LLC became the best bidder therefore, at and for the sum of 351.39 dollars and the same not having been redeemed I therefore sell and convey said above described land to the said WOODMARK INVESTMENTS,LLC 119 S PRESIDENT ST JACKSON, MS 39201

Given under my hand and official seal of said office, this 25TH day of SEPTEMBER A.D., 2026.

Mack Liddell Jr

Chancery Clerk

The State Of Mississippi

County of Humphreys

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority of law in and for the county and state aforesaid, the within named MACK LIDDELL, CHANCERY CLERK in and for the said county and state, who acknowledged that he signed and delivered the foregoing instrument on the day and year therein mentioned.

Given under my hand and official seal of office at my office at BELZONI, Mississippi, this 25TH day of SEPTEMBER A.D., 2026.

Mack Liddell Jr

CLERK CHANCERY COURT Humphreys County, Mississippi

County actual postage fee (Section 27-43-3) 15.60

Publishers fee (if paid by county) (Section 25-7-21) 1.00

Served 1st Sheriff Notice (Section 27-43-3) 1.00

Served 2nd Sheriff Notice (Section 27-43-3) 1.00

Identify record owners (Section 27-43-3) 50.00

Recording list, each subdivision (Section 25-7-21(4)(a)) 1.00

Issue 1st sheriffs notice (Section 27-43-3) 1.00

Mail 1st owners notice (Section 27-43-3) 1.00

Issue 2nd sheriffs notice (Section 27-43-3) 2.50

Mail 2nd owners notice (Section 27-43-3) 10.00

Issue each lienor notice (Section 27-43-11) 1.00

Recording each conveyance (Section 25-7-21(4)(d)) 1.00

Abstracting each subdivision (Section 25-7-21(4)(e)) 1.00

Certify amount to redeem (Section 25-7-9(1)(a)) 1.00

Certify release from sale (Section 25-7-9(1)(a)) 1.00

Redemption fee 3% x line 32 (Section 25-7-21(4)(f)) 2.49

TOTAL (to be collected from purchaser)Charge against said land 85.59

Grantor:

MACK LIDDELL, CHANCERY-CLERK

102 CASTLEMAN ST

BELZONI, MS 39038

Grantee:

WOODMARK INVESTMENTS,LLC

119 S PRESIDENT ST

2ND FLOOR

JACKSON, MS 39201

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Indexing Instructions:



Emily Tillman Donovan

Three weeks ago, I had abdominal surgery. Basically, it was like getting five hernia surgeries at one time. There were five tears in my abdominal muscle wall and that resulted in five incisions. I AM recovering, but so much more slowly than I had hoped. I guess that’s part of getting older. I have not been able to get outside and do anything for a few weeks, and I am championing at the bit to be able to. I do know this heat has got to go! It’s “better,” but it’s still H-O-T! I have a few speaking engagements coming up; therefore, I have been working on PowerPoint presentations to ready myself for them. Next week, I am speaking about gardening for butterflies. There’s a part of me that doesn’t feel educated enough to speak professionally on these things, but one trip around the yard today says maybe I know a thing or two.

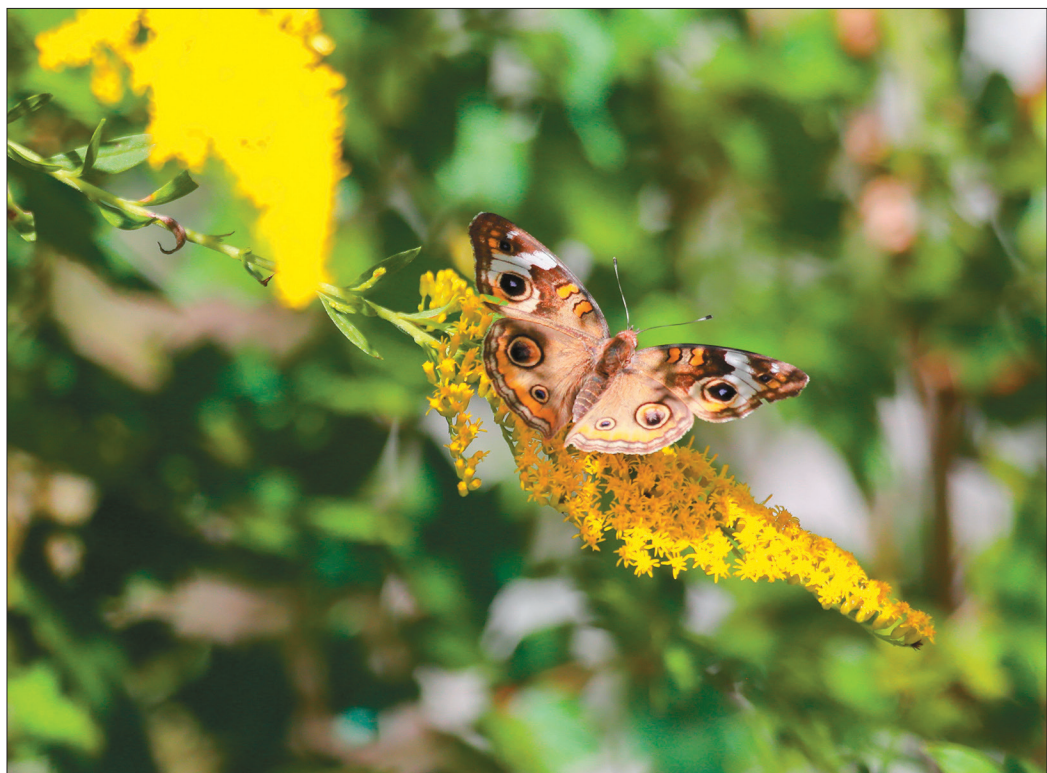
This afternoon I decided I didn’t care how hot it was, I was grabbing my camera and heading outside. Sweat be damned. And yes, I was damned with sweat by the end. In my presentation I am currently writing, I mention that Common Buckeye butterflies seem to prefer yellow blooms. There’s a very cool phenomenon where many flowers have

patterns on their petals that guide pollinators toward nectar and pollen. Many of those patterns are visible in ultraviolet light, and bees can see the UV wavelengths that humans cannot. Flowers use a combination of pigments and UV-reflecting vs UV-absorbing areas that produce strong visual contrast to a pollinator. A yellow flower may just look yellow to us, but to a bee the outer petals may look very bright from UV reflection while the center is dark from UV absorption which creates a giant “bull’s eye” for the bee.

Another phenomenon is that some flowers can change color as they age, which signals to the pollinator that one has fresh nectar and pollen while another does not. Lantana is an excellent example of this. Have you ever noticed that one cluster can contain multiple colors? The newly opened flowers in the center are often yellow, then the middle may be orange, and the outside reddish or pink. The newly opened yellow flowers tend to offer the better nectar reward. The Common Buckeye butterfly has excellent color vision. Butterflies, in general, have sophisticated color vision, and many species can see wavelengths ranging from UV through much of the human-visible spectrum. Therefore, the Buckeye can actually make an association with which color provides the best nectar reward. If yellow pays off more than other colors, then they’re going to be attracted to yellow flowers in general.

I have talked at great length to anyone who will listen, that Goldenrod is THE late summer and early fall pollinator plant. It is considered a weed

by many, and also blamed for seasonal allergies. I can’t argue with your definition of a weed except to show the benefit of the plant, but it is NOT the cause of your allergies. That is typically Giant Ragweed, which blooms this time of year as well. I let a 20x30 foot or so patch grow in my yard every year. It is absolutely stunning right now in the Mississippi Delta, but it is also ALIVE! I walked out to the yard today, with camera in hand, and saw hundreds of pollinators. Tiny bees, medium bees, big bees, wasps, hoverflies, butterflies...you name it. In the 20 or so minutes I was out there, I saw at least half a dozen different butterfly species, and not just one of each species. It’s like Sunday lunch buffet at the Western Sizzlin’ out there. The Delta Sizzlin’ Lo and behold, there were multiple Common Buckeye butterflies feeding heavily on the Goldenrod. There are Zinnias, Mexican Sunflowers, Late Boneset, Vinca, Hibiscus, native asters, and Crepe Myrtles all blooming in my yard right now. Guess what? Besides the Gulf Fritillary butterflies, they’re all on that Goldenrod buffet. Gulf Fritillaries are typically larger butterflies with long proboscises, and they love large composite flowers like Zinnias and Mexican Sunflowers. While they can and do feed from Goldenrod, this shows preference among different species in today’s observation. The Monarchs I generally have this time of year show a preference for Mexican Sunflowers, but today they were working over my pumpkin blooms. Which, thanks for the help, friends, but that was an interesting ob-



servation. I do have Mexican Sunflowers fairly nearby, so perhaps they led them to the area.

My yard is one big science experiment to me. Whether it’s the vegetable garden, the flower beds, the wild edges, or the woodland area...I’m observing and taking notes and photos. When I read that overall butterfly abundance in the United States declined a whopping 22% from 2000 to 2020, I took that personally. Not just that, 107 species have declined by more than 50%! In 2000, for every five butterflies we saw, by 2020 we were seeing four. I can understand that this may not be an alarming statistic to you, but that is a very, very fast decline. Bees are harder to quantify than butterflies because there are roughly 4,000 species of native bees. We do know that bumble bees have declined nearly 50% since 1974. Seventy percent of

bee species are ground nesting bees, and unfortunately, we don’t have great statistics on them. In studies it has been shown that species that had been surveyed are no longer being recorded. This is concerning to conservationists. Honey bees are valuable and do great work, but they are not native to North America, and despite serious colony losses, they are not facing the same conservation threat as many wild native bees. Right now, my Goldenrod is so filled with bee life, and that makes me happy. My asters are filled with tiny little ground-nesting bees. That makes me very happy.

Gardening for pollinators isn’t rocket science. Quite the opposite, actually. The best thing to do for bees is...leave areas alone. This works well for the gardener! Leave some areas exposed and without mulch, don’t till anywhere you

are not actively planting, practice no-till or limited-till even when you are, do NOT broadcast pesticides, and try to have something blooming from spring to winter. I subscribe to the belief that God meant for us to tend His garden in the best way that we can. Genesis 2:15 says, “The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it.” We can and should garden areas for ourselves, but we should also be mindful of the flora and fauna that also call our yards and gardens home. The benefit? Besides the very real benefit of crops being pollinated to feed us, you can walk into your yard at any point and see the greatest show on Earth...nature. Happy Gardening!

Holiday Travel Does Not Have to Break the Bank

Ole Miss economist offers cost-saving tips for those concerned about expensive holiday flights

OXFORD, Miss. – The holiday season is a time for getting together to celebrate;

but if that get-together involves traveling by air, ticket prices may become a major barrier

for holiday cheer. November through early January is a peak travel season

in the U.S. That means airlines can charge significantly more for tickets than during other

times of the year, said Garrett Scott, assistant professor of economics at the University of Mississippi.

«You can track the average price of tickets over time, and you will see that they peak in November and December,» he said. «From the airline’s perspective, the ticket is priced well for the demand that exists.

«Of course, we don’t like that but blame the people who are willing to pay that price.»

Scott recently published «Uncertainty in Dynamic Pricing Environments» in the Southern Economic Journal. In the paper, Scott and his co-author Richmond Woblesseh explore a pricing model of consumer choice concerning airline tickets.

While ticket prices peak during the holiday season, smart travelers can find bargains, even among the highest prices. Scott offers a few basic tips:

Book early, as soon as you are confident of your travel dates

- Be flexible on how long you plan to stay at your destination
- Explore different arrival and departure times, including less popular options
- Shop for tickets online outside regular business hours
- Check out prices for basic economy seating.

The first, and most important, checkpoint is to book as early as possible. Scott recommends booking most flights two or three months in advance.

«That is the time when the ticket is priced accurately for what the demand is,» he said. «But it is usually the case that if you buy a ticket further in advance of that two- to three-month window, you can get a better price.»

Scott recently flew from Memphis to North Carolina, and he bought his ticket eight months in advance, which turned out to be the best price available.

While in some cases, prices can drop close to the departure date if demand does not meet the airline’s expectations, Scott said he would not count on that. More often, prices rise close to the flight time as seats fill up.

«There is some truth to the price dropping at the deadline, due to unsold capacity,» he

said. «The issue there is if the flight is full, you are not going to get the ticket, so I would not bank on that one.»

Booking flights for so-called «irregular days» can yield some savings, Scott said.

«Think about giving up some time on either side,» he said. «Avoid the Wednesday or Tuesday before Thanksgiving, as getting there on Monday may be better, pricewise.

«Definitely don’t fly on Dec. 24. And consider staying a few days longer.»

Flight times can significantly affect ticket prices. For instance, a 6 a.m. flight will likely be cheaper than one that allows travelers to wake at a more «reasonable» hour to get to the airport.

«Don’t buy the ticket during business hours, as that is when business users shop,» he said. «Try to buy the ticket later in the evening or early in the morning.

«You and I are using our own money for the trip, while a business traveler will be using business or university funds. They also have to make the trip, whereas for us it might be a choice. So, they are not as price sensitive.»

Another anecdotal tip is that parents might consider having their children who are students do the booking.

«I have heard that sometimes airlines will track IP addresses,» he said. «So, if you are on campus Wi-Fi, there is the belief that you are more likely to be a student than an adult with a salary, so they can sometimes source cheaper tickets.»

Although economy seating generally is not as comfortable, it is always the best deal because airlines offer these seats close to their average cost. Where airlines profit is on first-class seats.

«First class is, like, close to 10% of the seats on the plane, and that accounts for more than 50% of the profit,» he said.

In some cases, they might even lose money, and that can create a better experience for the traveler.

«I’ve definitely flown on flights that are only at 30% capacity because it was a weird time, and the ticket was super cheap,» Garrett said. «And I preferred the experience to a packed flight.»

By Cain Madden





2026 ELECTION IMPORTANT DATES



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IN-PERSON ABSENTEE VOTING

September 21–October 31, 2026
8:00 AM–5:00 PM



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SATURDAY ABSENTEE VOTING

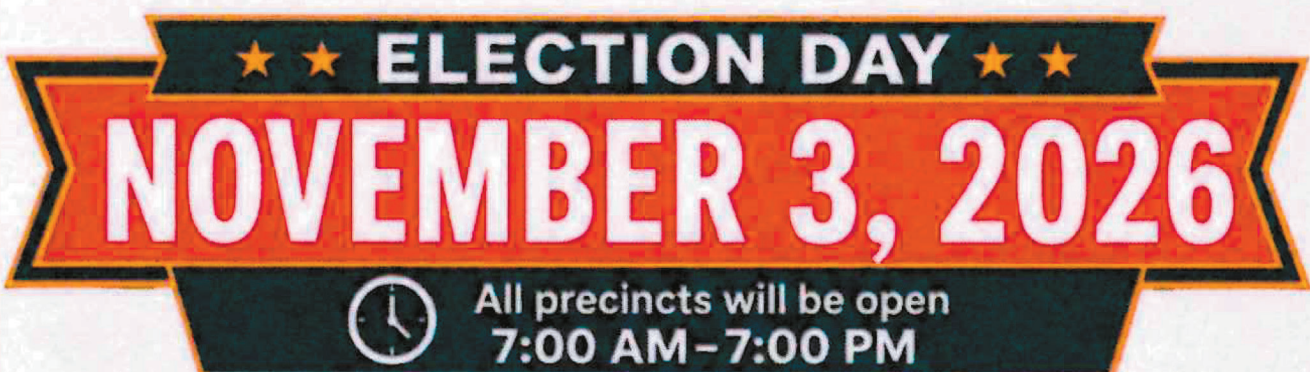
October 24 & October 31
8:00 AM–12:00 PM



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POLL WORKER & RESOLUTION BOARD TRAINING

October 15, 2026 • 5:30 PM



ELECTION DAY NOVEMBER 3, 2026

All precincts will be open
7:00 AM–7:00 PM



Questions? Please do not hesitate to call or visit:

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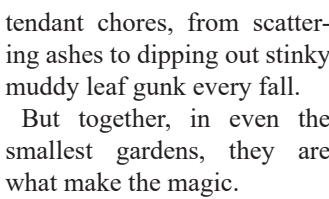


A garden's are physical elements, from trees, shrubs, vines, flowers, and potted plants to hard features including walks, arbors fences, and seating, occupy most of our attention and efforts, followed by instant gratification activities like planting seasonal annuals, pruning hedges, mowing the lawn, watering potted

Two of my most-treasured extravagances, which I think too many gardeners put off, are as ancient as they are uncomplicated: My simple water features and a big iron fire

I resist the urge to fill them with interesting plants because I could have done that in just dirt; instead, the water itself is an interesting sight; I enjoy just the reflected sky and shimmering waves from the small

These elements are not necessary for a good garden, any more than sculptures or other garden art. And they have at-



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and host of the "Gestalt Gar-
dener" on MPB Think Radio.
Email gardening questions to
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DOCKET.

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED, THAT THE CLAIMS AS LISTED ON THE CLAIMS DOCKET ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ALLOWED AND PAYMENT THEREOF AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED AS REQUIRED BY LAW. THE CLAIMS BEING APPROVED ARE AS FOLLOWS: (SEE CLAIMS AT THE END OF THIS DOCUMENT)

SUPERVISOR HENDERSON MOVED AND SUPERVISOR JOHNSON SECONDED THE MOTION THAT THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING ORDER BE ADOPTED AND APPROVED. THE QUESTION WAS PUT TO A VOTE WITH THE FOLLOWING RESULTS:

PINKSTON	AYE
BANKHEAD	AYE
LEE	NOT PRESENT
JOHNSON	AYE
HENDERSON	AYE

THE MATTER HAVING RECEIVED A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE MEMBERS PRESENT, THE PRESIDENT DECLARED THE MOTION CARRIED, ORDERED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS THE 18TH DAY OF MAY 2026

IN RE: ORDER APPROVING THE
CERVICAL CANCER PREVENTION
WALK HELD SEPTEMBER 26, 2026.
BEGINNING AND ENDING ON THE
HUMPHREYS COUNTY COURT-
HOUSE GROUNDS

SUPERVISOR BANKHEAD MOVED
AND SUPERVISOR HENDERSON SEC-
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CANCER PREVENTION WALK HELD
SEPTEMBER 26, 2026, BEGINNING
AND ENDING ON THE HUMPHREYS
COUNTY COURTHOUSE GROUNDS.
THE MATTER WAS PUT TO A VOTE BY
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BANKHEAD	AYE
LEE	AYE
JOHNSON	AYE
HENDERSON	AYE

THE MATTER HAVING RECEIVED
A MAJORITY VOTE FROM ALL THE
MEMBERS PRESENT, THE PRESIDENT
DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED
AND CARRIED

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PRESENT VOTING AS FOLLOWS:
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JOHNSON AYE
HENDERSON AYE
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A MAJORITY VOTE FROM ALL THE
MEMBERS PRESENT, THE PRESIDENT
DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED
AND CARRIED
FOR A COPY OF SAID CONTRACT, SEE
MINUTE BOOK _____ PAGE _____

IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING HUMPHREYS COUNTY BOARD PRESIDENT REGGIE PINKSTON TO SIGN THE PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT FOR LOUISE, MS AND SILVER CITY, MS, HUMPHREYS COUNTY
SUPERVISOR HENDERSON MOVED AND SUPERVISOR JOHNSON SECONDED THE MOTION. AUTHORITY

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LEE	AYE
JOHNSON	AYE
HENDERSON	AYE

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MEMBERS PRESENT, THE PRESIDENT
DECLARED THE MOTION PASSED
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IN RE: ORDER AUTHORIZING THE HUMPHREYS COUNTY BOARD PRESIDENT REGGIE PINKSTON TO SIGN THE LETTER TO MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (MDOT) CONCERNING THE PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING CONTRACTS FOR LOUISE, MS AND SIL

close

Shout out to, the players of the week!

Humphreys Academy

Humphreys County



Humphreys Academy chose #12, Layton Matthews as Players of the Week.

Layton had 3 solo tackles, 2 assists, 1 interception and 1 fumble recovery for a touchdown.

Humphreys County chose two Players of the Week for the Cowboys.

Johnny Hoskins lead the team in Rushing (Offensive Player of the Game)

Ma'Kyle Nunn lead the team in Tackles (Defensive Player of the Game).

No stats were available at press time.

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