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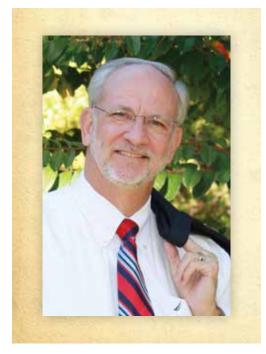


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From the Mayor

By the time this edition of Ridgeland Life reaches your mail boxes, the school year will have ended. With the end of the school year comes much excitement as the students look forward to summer vacation and more time with their family and friends. I would like to share my congratulations to all the graduating seniors; you should be proud of your accomplishments. I know each of you look forward to the next phase of your life, whether it be starting a vocation or going on to a college that suits your chosen field.

I think if you look at our graduating seniors this year, it's exciting to see that Ridgeland has such outstanding students. With over \$1.5 million offered in scholarships to Ridgeland High School students, there is no doubt that the Titan Class of 2013 has been prepared well for college through Madison County Schools and that the graduates will bring intelligence and ambition for the betterment of society. It's a great feeling to know that the future of Ridgeland, Mississippi and America will be in such talented hands in the future.



Gene McGee Mayor of Ridgeland

This past year, I've seen many outstanding accomplishments in our schools. The recognitions and awards are too many to name, but I would just like to congratulate each student for a job well done and to let you know that we, the City Administration is proud of each of you. I would also like to congratulate St. Andrews for being selected as one of the nation's top-50 private day schools in the United States. Actually, they were named Number 18, which puts them in the top 20. Thank you to the staff and faculty of St. Andrews for doing such an outstanding job to make this one of the top schools in the nation.

Lastly, I would like to congratulate the Public Works Department. Because of their outstanding work, the City of Ridgeland was awarded First Place for local government by "Keep Mississippi Beautiful" for the Ridgeland Enhance Recycle program. This is another indication that the City of Ridgeland is working hard to protect our environment and to be a good steward with our resources by recycling.

It is my wish that each of you have a wonderful, relaxing summer. Thanks for supporting all the programs of the City of Ridgeland.

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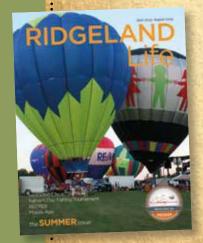
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ON THE COVER: Celebrate America Balloon Glow will be celebrated Thursday, July 4 at Northpark Mall in Ridgeland. Hot air balloons will light up at dusk. Live performances will be provided by Crossin' Dixon and David Lee Murphy. A spectacular fireworks show will be the grand finale to the evening.

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CELEBRATE JULY FOURTH *at Balloon Glow*



Families enjoy performances during the 2012 Balloon Glow.



Mississippi band Crossin' Dixon will perform their mix of Southern rock and American country music at Celebrate America Balloon Glow Thursday, July 4 at Northpark Mall.

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Admission to the **Celebrate America Balloon Glow** is free. Come join the fun at 6 p.m., Thursday, July 4 with food vendors, children's activities and local musicians. Hot air balloons will light up at dusk, followed by a national recording artist performance and ending with a spectacular fireworks show.

Further details may be obtained by contacting the Ridgeland Recreation & Parks Department at 601-853-2011, or by visiting the Facebook pages of Ridgeland Recreation & Parks and the City of Ridgeland. Good music, beautiful hot air balloons and spectacular fireworks will provide an evening's entertainment for the entire family at this year's Celebrate America Balloon Glow, a Ridgeland Independence Day tradition for 23 years. The annual celebration will take place this year July 4 at presenting sponsor Northpark Mall's balloon glow field, with plenty of parking around the mall for the thousands who gather each year.

The Celebrate America Balloon Glow, the opening event of the Mississippi Championship Hot Air Balloon Race and Festival in Canton, provides the opportunity to witness twenty hot air balloons of all colors twinkle and glow in the dusk of a summer evening.

There's much more to the Balloon Glow than just balloons. The event actually begins on Tuesday, June 25 and Wednesday, June 26 with the Karaoke Contest in Center Court of Northpark Mall. The winners of those preliminary rounds will advance to the finals on Thursday, June 27. The winner then has the opportunity to open the evening's entertainment on the 4th from the main stage. After that, the entertainment continues with Mississippi band Crossin' Dixon. Crossin' Dixon will delight fans old and new with their mix of Southern rock and American country music. Following their performance, the balloons will light up the sky for a balloon glow that will delight people of all ages.

Following the glow, fans will enjoy a performance by MCA Nashville recording artist David Lee Murphy. Murphy's recording career has included hit singles "Party Crowd," "Every Time I Get Around You,"

"The Road You Leave Behind," and the number one single "Dust on the Bottle." Murphy tours and entertains crowds in addition to his continued work as a songwriter. His songwriting credits include hits recorded by Kenny Chesney, Gary Allan, Van Zant, Blake Shelton, and Jason Aldean.

Throughout the evening, vendors will be on hand to provide various types of food for attendees, including favorites such as barbecue, corn dogs, chicken-on-astick, and funnel cakes. Children's activities are available throughout the evening at the Simon Kidgits Carnival area, free to Northpark



Nashville recording artist David Lee Murphy will perform after the hot air balloon glow at Northpark Mall, July 4.

Kidgits Club members. Activities include inflatable obstacle courses, jumps, face painting and other children's favorites. For more information about the Kidgits Club, go to www.simon.com.

Double the Fun at WaterFest and Independence Day Celebration

For the first time ever, WaterFest will be held in conjunction with the Annual Independence Day Celebration Saturday, June 29, 2-6 p.m. at Old Trace Park in Ridgeland. WaterFest 2013 will feature live music; interactive displays; inflatables and water slides; face painting, children's crafts, games and activities; educational exhibits and food vendors.

WaterFest, the signature event for Rezonate, is an annual event that spotlights the importance of protecting, restoring and improving the water quality of the Ross Barnett Reservoir. This is its second year to be held at Old Trace Park.

Partnering together to create an exceptional event, the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District, the Barnett Reservoir Foundation, and the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality invite the public to learn and have fun! More information about Rezonate and WaterFest is available at www.rezonate-ms.org.

The second Annual Independence Day Celebration sponsored by the Barnett Reservoir Foundation and the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District will be held at both Old Trace Park and Lakeshore Park featuring kid zones, climbing wall, live music, food vendors, a classic car cruise-in (Lakeshore Park only), military displays of jeeps and helicopters and starting at 6 p.m., flyovers of military airplanes and historical aircraft.

Patrons of both parks will enjoy the lighted boat parade, starting at approximately 8 p.m. At 10 p.m. a grand fireworks display will be launched from a barge in the middle of the lake making a beautiful display over the big water. ClearChannel and MISS103 will provide a radio simulcast of musical accompaniment for the fireworks. This simulcast will



Fireworks over the reservoir will provide a grand display 10 p.m., Saturday, June 29.

allow enjoyment of the fireworks show in the parks, the boats and homes. For more information about the Independence Day Celebration, visit www.barnettreservoirfoundation.org

Parking for WaterFest and the Independence Day Celebration at Old Trace Park will be available at Madison Landing and surrounding fields and lots, but no event parking is allowed at local restaurants. All events are free.



Come to the Old Trace Park on the Barnett Reservoir in Ridgeland for WaterFest and Independence Day Celebration held Saturday, June 29, starting at 2 p.m.

NEWSWORTHY

Reel in the Fun at Father-Child Fishing Tournament



Fun. Fish. Fathers. That's what our annual Father-Child Fishing Tournament is all about. It is the perfect way to take a break from hectic work schedules and organized activities to just relax and REEL in the fun. This year's event will take place Saturday June 15, beginning at 8 a.m. Judging will take place at 10 a.m. Prizes will be awarded for Biggest Fish, Most Fish and Smallest Fish. There is no charge to participate in this event. All the fun will take place in Old Trace Park on the beautiful Ross Barnett Reservoir. This tournament is a joint partnership with the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District and the City of Ridgeland Recreation & Parks Department. And, yes, moms are welcome!



Heatwave Classic Triathlon set for Saturday, June 1

Triathletes are one of the fastest-growing sports communities with more than one million people each year participating in some type of physical endurance competition. And each year, since 1985, nearly 500 of them have been making the journey to Ridgeland to participate in the Heatwave Classic Triathlon. When asked why participants return to Ridgeland, they say that they love the course, the pottery and the southern hospitality!

The Heatwave Classic Triathlon is sanctioned by U.S.A. Triathlon. Our race staff carefully maps our swim, bike and run courses to insure maximum participant safety. This year's race will consist of a ½ mile swim in the Ross Barnett Reservoir, a 24 ½ mile bike ride along the scenic and historic Natchez Trace Parkway, and ending with a 10K run along Ridgeland's heavily shaded Multi-Purpose Trail.

The 28th annual Heatwave Classic is presented by Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi and will take place Saturday, June 1. Participants may register online at www.heatwavetri.racesonline. com.

Many other local businesses also sponsor this event, including C Spire Wireless, Omega Electric, The Radio People, Indian Cycle, The Bike Rack, M&F Bank, Northpark Mall, BankPlus, Cool Water Catering & Events, Madison County Journal, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, Rezonate, Pearl River Valley Water Supply District, Southern Beverage, St. Dominic Health Services, The Soccer Center, U.S. Lawns, Mars Marketing, SuperTalk and University of Mississippi Medical Center. It also takes a team of experienced HAM radio operators to keep track of each and every participant on the courses, special thanks to Jackson Amateur Radio Club.

The Heatwave Classic Triathlon is one of many events produced by City of Ridgeland Recreation & Parks Department. For more information on this event, please visit www.heatwavetri. racesonline.com or call 601-853-2011.



Getting Involved in Your Child's Education

By Jamie Logan

The Madison County School System has a reputation for being one of the finest in the state. Among schools in this district, the Ridgeland School Zone undeniably stands out as an exemplary institution. "The schools in Ridgeland have a history of academic excellence, our teachers

are dedicated professionals who go the extra mile to help students meet and exceed their goals, and our schools are small enough that everyone has a place," involved parent Sissy Lynn explains. "And the best part, it's absolutely free, so you can save up for college tuition!"

The diversity and feelings of acceptance are great selling points. Lana Sims, mother of a Ridgeland High School (RHS) band member, expands by saying, "There are activities, clubs, sports, music, drama, newspaper, student council and much more."

Parents, teachers and students will each give varying reasons as to why they love Ridgeland, but there is one factor on which all agree: the strong sense of community. Jan Richardson, PTO leader and mother of three, says, "Students are encouraged to come into their own, whether that is winning a gold medal like RHS grad Bianca Knight, becoming the Poetry Out Loud National Champion like RHS grad Kristen Dupard or getting career training in robotics."

At Ridgeland, teachers are our greatest asset. Michelle Milner is both a teacher and mother of two students, one of whom is drum major at RHS. "We participate in many activities to make sure the kids see us and know we care,"

Milner says. "It is a great feeling for a child to know they have us on their side." These highly trained professionals are dedicated to bringing out the best in every student by challenging them academically and encouraging them to become successful in life outside the classroom.

"If a parent wants to get involved, he or she should attend the beginning of school PTO meeting, Back to School Night and Meet the Teacher Night," says Angie Chance, mother of an eighth-grader at Olde Towne Middle School.

"Let the PTO board know if there's a particular area where you'd like to serve," Lynn elaborates. "There are so many ways you can help – from becoming a room parent to counting Box Tops to taking photos at school events." By volunteering, a parent enhances his or her knowledge of a child's educational facility, curriculum and instructors. They also find themselves feeling more connected to the school.

As they attend schools within the Ridgeland School Zone, children will be exposed to many new things. From the value of hard work to gaining the courage to ask questions, numerous lessons are taught here. Involved parents will agree that enrolling their student in this school system was a life-changing decision.

City of Ridgeland launches new calendar of events

The City of Ridgeland has a new calendar of events on its website. Now, you can import city and community events into your own calendar, whether you use Google calendar, iCal or Outlook. You can subscribe to the entire calendar or individual events. Additional new features of the calendar of events include a Google map, links to event websites, and multiple views of the calendar. The City of Ridgeland welcomes your input about the new calendar. Please visit the city's website at www.ridgelandms. org/calendar to view and begin using the new calendar of events.



Michelle Milner with daughters, Ashley (left) and Jessica (right).



NEWSWORTHY

Community Video TourBook **Updated and Live**

The City of Ridgeland has an updated video TourBook of our community

available on its website. The community video TourBook



is a great way to introduce newcomers and visitors to the community. There are 8 different 1-minute videos: Welcome, Education, Quality of Life, Real Estate & Relocation, Recreation & Parks, Tourism, Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development.

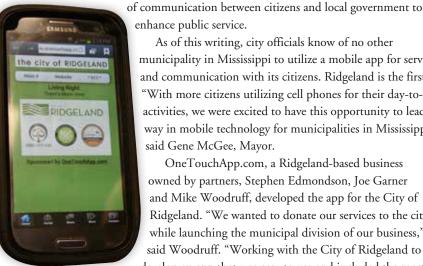
CGI Communications, Inc. offered to develop the video TourBook for Ridgeland as they have done for many other cities in Mississippi and across our nation. CGI is endorsed by the National League of Cities and the U.S. Conference of Mayors. Local sponsors help to cover their costs for providing community videos free of charge to cities and counties.



Take a look at the video TourBook by clicking on the link at www.ridgelandms. org or by going directly to http://www. elocallink.tv/clients3/ms/ridgeland2012/ tourplay.php?movie=ridgems13_wel_rev1_ iwd&spon=welcome. Please check it out and share with friends, family, customers and visitors. You might even learn something about Ridgeland that you did not already know.

City of Ridgeland Releases First Municipality Mobile App in Mississippi

The City of Ridgeland recently released the first of its kind in Mississippi, a municipality mobile app. Ridgeland has always embraced technology and the use of it to provide more efficient services. Seeking to be transparent, responsive and accessible to its citizens, Ridgeland city government strives for open communication at all times. Now, Ridgeland is offering a new method for its citizens to interact with departments and elected officials - a mobile app. This new service adds another channel



enhance public service.

As of this writing, city officials know of no other municipality in Mississippi to utilize a mobile app for service and communication with its citizens. Ridgeland is the first. "With more citizens utilizing cell phones for their day-to-day activities, we were excited to have this opportunity to lead the way in mobile technology for municipalities in Mississippi," said Gene McGee, Mayor.

OneTouchApp.com, a Ridgeland-based business owned by partners, Stephen Edmondson, Joe Garner and Mike Woodruff, developed the app for the City of Ridgeland. "We wanted to donate our services to the city while launching the municipal division of our business," said Woodruff. "Working with the City of Ridgeland to develop an app that was easy to use and included the most

important information has allowed us to learn how to better serve

municipalities. We were also excited to be giving back to the city that we chose for our business home."

Through the app, residents can submit non-emergency service requests, call or email questions to the correct department, link to the city's website for detailed information, pay your water bill and so much more. Some of the functions of the app include: report road conditions, contact animal control officers, report a code violation, contact your elected official, connect with the city on social media, check the latest additions to the events calendar, look up recreational facilities - you just need to download it and see for yourself.

Download this link http://m.onetouchapp.com/app/ridgelandms from your cellphone or tablet's web browser, bookmark it and add the icon from your home screen. Once you click the icon, the app will open. The City of Ridgeland app is designed to be compatible with all mobile devices including Apple, Android, BlackBerry and Windows platforms. Be sure to share the app through the share by QR code, text or email. It's free to subscribers.

For more informed and engaged citizens and more accessible government, the City of Ridgeland is pleased to announce its new mobile app. If you have any questions, please email ridgelandapp@ridgelandms.org. For more information about OneTouchApp.com, visit www.onetouchapp.com or e-mail: info@onetouchapp.com.

How to Prevent the Breeding of Mosquitoes on Your Property

The City of Ridgeland sprays for mosquitoes regularly throughout the mosquito-breeding season. This helps to manage the size of the mosquito population in our area. It does not completely eliminate mosquitoes nor prevent the spread of mosquito-borne diseases including West Nile virus, St. Louis encephalitis, LaCrosse encephalitis and Eastern Equine encephalitis.

To protect yourself from mosquito bites, avoid mosquitoes especially during the evenings and early mornings, which are peak mosquito biting times. You may choose to apply a topical mosquito repellent. Wear longsleeved, long-legged clothing with socks and shoes when practical.



Property owners need to do their part to prevent the breeding of mosquitoes on their

One of the best methods for preventing mosquitoes is to keep your gutters clean so that they drain properly.

property. In order to protect you, your family and other residents from mosquito bites around your home, you can do the following as suggested by the Mississippi Department of Health:

- Dispose of cans, containers, ceramic pots, old tires or other water-holding containers.
- Remove all leaf debris.
- Cover trash containers to keep out rainwater.
- Drill holes in the bottoms of all recycling containers that are kept outdoors.
- Make sure roof gutters drain properly, and clean clogged gutters in the spring and fall.
- Turn over plastic wading pools and wheelbarrows when not in use.
- Change the water in birdbaths every 2 to 3 days.
- Clean and chlorinate swimming pools, outdoor saunas and hot tubs.
- Drain water from pool covers.
- Use landscaping to eliminate standing water that collects on your property.
- Repair leaky water pipes and outside faucets.

Thank you for helping to minimize the impact of mosquitoes on our community. If you have any questions, please contact the Public Works Department at 601-853-2027.

Ridgeland Elections and Swearing-In Ceremony

City of Ridgeland elections are taking place this year. On May 7, Scott Jones won the Primary Election held for Ward 5. The General Election will be held June 4. Be sure to get out and vote at your polling location.

- WARD 1 Highland Colony Baptist Church 1200 Highland Colony Parkway
- WARD 2 First United Methodist Church 234 W. Jackson Street
- WARD 3 Trace Ridge Baptist Church 238 Lake Harbour Drive
- WARD 4 Colonial Heights Baptist Church 444 Northpark Drive
- WARD 5 Ridgeland Recreational Center 137 Old Trace Park
- WARD 6 Charity Baptist Church 954 Lake Harbour Drive

Please view the ward map on the inside back cover of this issue of Ridgeland Life. You may also check your voter card for polling location information. The ward map is available online at www.ridgelandms.org.

The public is invited to attend the swearing-in of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, Monday, June 24 at 6:30 p.m. The ceremony will take place at Highlands Presbyterian Church, 1160 Highland Colony Parkway. Chief Justice Waller will administer the oaths of office. Lt. Governor Tate Reeves will be the guest speaker. Special music will be provided by Mary Margaret May.

Questions? Please call 601-856-7113.



Living Green in Your Home: Electricity, Power, and Fuels

By Amanda Anderson

Are you interested in how you can live green in your home? There are several benefits as to why it's a great idea. It lowers your utility bills, reduces waste, saves water and helps the environment.

ELECTRICITY AND POWER

Switch to Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs

Compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs) can be a huge energy saver. They use a quarter of the electricity to produce the same amount of light. Replace some (or all) of your incandescent bulbs with fluorescents and

enjoy reductions in heat production, energy use and electric bills! Changing five of the most frequently used light bulbs in your home can save you \$100 per year on electric bills.

Set Your Thermostat

When you are at home, keep the thermostat at 78°F or higher in the summer and 68°F or lower in the winter. Programmable thermostats allow you to program the systems to reduce output when they are not needed (e.g., when no one is home during the day or in the evening when everyone is sleeping). You don't have to have a programmable thermostat, though. In the morning during the summer, if no one will be home during the day, set your thermostat to 85 °F or off. During the winter, if no one will be home during the day, set your thermostat lower than 68 °F. Reduce your energy bill by \$100 per year or more just by doing this.

Plug Air Leaks

This simple step can go a long way toward keeping your home at the temperature you desire, saving money on heating and air conditioning bills and more. Common leaks occur around windows, doors and other wall penetrations. Plugging those leaks with weather stripping and caulk can be a simple task for anyone. Also, when it's hot, closing the curtains to block out the sun will stop it from heating up your home. During the winter months, closing your curtains at dusk will prevent heat from escaping through the windows. These actions will reduce your energy bill by \$100 per year or more.

Tune Up Your Heating and Cooling (HVAC) System

Have a checkup for your HVAC, (heating, ventilation and air conditioning), system every two years to make sure it is running



efficiently. Be sure to clean the filter monthly during times of peak usage; a dirty filter can significantly reduce the efficiency of your HVAC. A well maintained HVAC system could save you \$100 per year over a poorly maintained system.

Choose ENERGY STAR® Appliances

ENERGY STAR[®] qualified products meet a high level of energy efficiency, which can translate into savings on electric bills. When considering the price of a new appliance, take into account

not only the purchase price, but also the long-term savings associated with an energy-efficient appliance. Reduce your energy bill by \$50 per appliance per year or more.

WATER

Indoor:

- Use less water by adding aerators (available for a few dollars at your local home supply store) to your sink faucets and changing to low-flow showerheads. Also, washing your clothes in cold water instead of warm will avoid a household from emitting 1,281 pounds of carbon dioxide annually and save on energy bills. Running two half loads of laundry wastes twice as much water, so run full loads. The same thing goes for the dishwasher.
- By using reusable bottles for water and refilling it with filtered tap water, you will save water, and production of plastic water bottles will be greatly reduced.
- If your toilet is more than 30 years old, upgrading to a low-consumption toilet can save you up to 4 gallons of water per flush. It's estimated that 30 percent of household water usage is flushed down the toilet.
- While running your bath or shower and waiting for the water to heat up, put a bucket underneath the faucet to catch it and use it for pets, cleaning, plants, etc. Also, get into the habit of turning off the tap when brushing your teeth, shaving or washing your face.

Outdoor:

• Incorporate native plants in your landscape plan and minimize high-maintenance landscaping such as turf grass to conserve water, while still maintaining a beautiful yard.

NEWSWORTHY

TRANSPORTATION

Carpool, Use Public Transportation, Walk or Bike When Possible

Environmental responsibility does not begin and end at your doorstep; carpooling or biking to work is a great way to save money and reduce the number of cars on the road.

Buy a High-efficiency Car

See the US Department of Energy's list of most fuel-efficient cars at http://www.fueleconomy.gov/feg/bestworst.shtml.







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City Center Update

Ridgeland officials signed an agreement with Hemphill Construction to remove the concrete above and below ground at the 25-acre site located at the intersection of Highway 51 and School Street. Hemphill Construction is excavating broken concrete pieces and stockpiling in the northwest area of the site until a mobile crusher will return to the site. Concrete pieces will be ground into aggregate that can be recycled for use in road beds.

The value of the ground concrete at the site reduced the project costs for the City of Ridgeland. Hemphill officials originally reported that the project was worth \$1 million, but when it was agreed that they would retain ownership of the ground concrete, Hemphill reduced their bid to \$455,584.

The south half of the project area is almost complete and ready for the installation of grass seed. Mayor McGee stated, "I'm proud that we were able get a large cost savings and at the same time get the site cleaned from years of operation as a bridge beam manufacturing facility. This use was just not the best use of the property being in the center of the city."

The future plans for the City Center Site include a City Hall, a Performing Arts Center, a new Library, a private development area, and several other partners.



The south half of the City Center project site has been cleared of concrete above and below ground. Plans for the site include a City Hall, a Performing Arts Center, a new Library and a private development area.

Planting Day a Success for the Ridgeland Community Garden



The Ridgeland Sow & Grow Community Garden Planting Day held March 30 was a huge success. Over a dozen volunteers came out to plant vegetable seeds that will grow into fresh food for those in need in Ridgeland and Madison County. Seven AmeriCorps team members from the southern region campus in Vicksburg volunteered their time. Local citizens that came out to plant included the following: Mike McCollum, back row left; Judy Douglass, back row, third from right; Eloise Gilbert, back row, second from right; Jerry Williams, back row right; Virginia Eidson, front row, second from right; and Barbara Knopes, front row, right. Jeannine May, front row, third from right, of Keep the Rez Beautiful and USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service also volunteered with planting and provided an educational poster for the garden. If you would like to volunteer with the community garden, contact Courtney Martin at 601-856-7113.

NEWSWORTHY

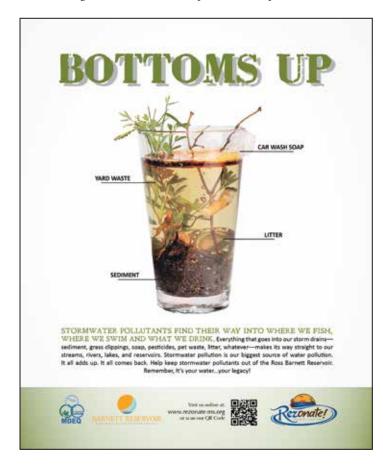
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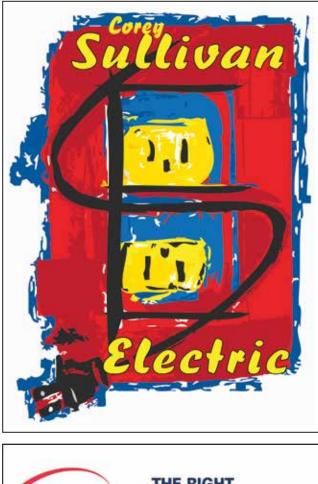
With Independence Day coming up, you may want to be aware of the United States Flag Code. Among other important facts, the "Flag Code" includes instruction and rules on the display and use of the flag. For example, within the code it states, "It is the universal custom to display the flag only from sunrise to sunset on buildings and on stationary flagstaffs in the open. However, when a patriotic effect is desired, the flag may be displayed 24 hours a day if properly illuminated during the hours of darkness." You can find the Congressional Research Service Report for Congress, The United States Flag:



Ridgeland citizen Tom Sagar displays the United States flag at his home in Wendover subdivision. Sagar contributed to this article.

Federal Law Relating to Display and Associated Questions here: http://www.senate.gov/reference/resources/pdf/RL30243.pdf.







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Recreational facilities

Freedom Ridge Park

235 West School Street - Freedom Ridge Park, a 50-acre athletic facility, is located on School Street just behind the Ridgeland Police Department. The park features four lighted adult regulation softball fields, four lighted regulation soccer fields, four picnic pavilions, two playgrounds, two concession/restroom buildings, a lighted walking trail and a maintenance facility.

Each of the four pavilions at Freedom Ridge Park is available at an hourly rate of \$15 for residents, and \$25 for non-residents. The security deposit, our "clean-up insurance," is \$100.

Ridgeland Tennis Center

201 McClellan Drive - The Ridgeland Tennis Center, a full-service public facility operated by tennis pros, is located at 201 McClellan Drive, off Highway 51. The center is home to 17 lighted, hard tennis courts, men's and women's locker rooms, a 2,000-square-foot covered porch for viewing, and a fully stocked tennis pro shop.

City Hall

304 Highway 51 - Ridgeland City Hall is home to four soccer fields during the soccer season. During baseball season, this property converts to three T-ball fields.

Ridgeland Recreational Center

137 Old Trace Park - The Ridgeland Recreational Center is housed in a twostory rustic lodge overlooking the Ross Barnett Reservoir. Daily activities for Superstar Seniors as well as nightly classes for all ages take place during the week in this facility.

Friendship Park

475 Lake Harbour Drive - Friendship Park is a multi-purpose neighborhood park facility. With a large lighted pavilion, a one-mile lighted walking/jogging trail, a fitness court, playground equipment, and restroom facilities, the park accommodates many and varying needs.

The pavilion is available for rental at an hourly rate of \$15 for residents, \$25 per hour for non-residents, with a security deposit of \$100. Park hours are 6:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Wolcott Park

349 McClellan Drive - Wolcott Park, a 40-acre athletic facility, is located on McClellan Drive, off Highway 51. It features seven lighted baseball/softball fields, a playground, 14 batting cages, two bullpens, two concession/restroom buildings and a maintenance facility.

Youth Organizations

South Madison County Soccer Organization

SMCSO is a non-profit organization providing an opportunity for the youth of our area to participate in soccer. Visit www.smcso.com or call 601-898-1996 for more information.

Madison-Ridgeland Youth Club

MRYC is a community organization providing an opportunity for youth in our area to participate in baseball, softball, tackle football, cheerleading and basketball. Visit www.mryouthclub.com for more information.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Special Events Coordinator, Wendy Bourdin Phone: 601-853-2011 • Email: wendy.bourdin@ridgelandms.org

Heatwave Classic Triathlon

The 28th annual Heatwave Classic will take place Saturday, June 1, 2013. This triathlon is quickly becoming a race favorite among tri-athletes in the Southeast. In its seventh year in Ridgeland, the Heatwave Classic is sure to surpass last year's participation number. Over 400 participants from across the country are expected to descend on Ridgeland to compete for the top prize in the various age groups.



Participants will take to the water at 7 a.m. at Madison Landing and swim 0.5 miles. After completing the swim, participants will ride 24.5 miles along the scenic and historic Natchez Trace Parkway. After the ride is complete, participants will embark on a 10K run on the heavily shaded Ridgeland Multi-Purpose Trail. For more information call the Ridgeland Recreation and Parks office at 601-853-2011 or visit the Heatwave Classic website www.heatwavetri.racesonline.com.

Program Price:	Individual: \$75. After May 2, \$85.
	Relay Team: \$135. After May 2, \$145.
	\$10 Single event USAT Insurance per
	participant
Registration:	Now-May 30
Event Date:	Saturday, June 1, 2013
Start Time:	7 a.m.
Location:	Old Trace Park

Celebrate America/Balloon Glow

Come out and show your patriotism and enjoy an evening of good food, fun, entertainment and fireworks at Northpark Mall. The Mississippi Championship Balloon Fest will hold its opening ceremonies at the Northpark Mall Balloon Glow Field; the balloons will inflate and provide an awesome view of the horizon as the sun sets. Our featured entertainment for the 2013 Celebrate America/Balloon Glow will be country singer David Lee Murphy. The largest firework display in the metro-Jackson area will be the climax of the evening. For more information, contact the Ridgeland Recreation and Parks Department at 601-853-2011.

Program Price: Event Date: Start Time: Location:

Free Thursday, July 4 6 p.m. Northpark Mall

Balloon Glow Karaoke Contest

The annual karaoke contest will be held on Tuesday, June 25 and Wednesday, June 26 at Northpark Mall - Center Court. The winners of those preliminary rounds will advance to the finals on Thursday, June 27. The registration fee is \$25. Singers can pre-register by calling Angela at 601-566-0951 or e-mailing krazykaraokems@yahoo.com. The winner will open the show for David Lee Murphy at the "Celebrate America" Balloon Glow Thursday, July 4.

Program Price	\$25
Registration:	Pre-register @
	krazykaraokems@yahoo.com
Location:	Northpark Mall – Center Court
Event Date:	June 25, June 26 and June 27
Start Time:	6:30 pm

iCan Bike Camp

iCan Bike is designed to assist children and/or adults with varying forms of disabilities and able-bodied children who may be struggling due to fear or other factors to learn to ride a bicycle without the use of training wheels. The iCan Bike camp uses adapted bicycles to help would-be bike riders overcome fear and lack of balance.

The iCan Bike camp will take place at Ridgeland High School, June 3-7. Campers will attend daily 75- minute sessions. The camp fee is \$75. Volunteers are needed to assist campers. For more information, contact Ridgeland Recreation & Parks at 601-853-2011. More information on the Lose the Training Wheels program is available at www.icanshine.org. Participants may register at the Ridgeland Recreation and Parks office located in City Hall.

NOTE: Space is limited so register early.

Program Price:	\$75
Registration:	Now
Location:	Ridgeland High School
Event Date:	June 3-7
Start Time:	Varies



ATHLETICS

Athletics Coordinator, John Sidney North Phone: 601-853-2011 • Email: john.north@ridgelandms.org

Ridgeland Recreation and Parks Flag Football

Come join the Ridgeland Recreation and Parks Department and NFL for its 17th season of flag football. This program has been growing for the past 16 years with more than 350 boys and girls, ages 6-9, participating. The program will build good hand-eye coordination and reflexes, as well as teamwork and the basic fundamentals of football. Flag football is also an excellent opportunity to experience physical exercise and social interaction. Players must be 6 years old by Sept. 1, 2013. For more information, contact John Sidney North at 601-853-

Program Price: Registration: Event Date: Location:

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\$70

Tuesdays, July 29 - August 16 September-November Freedom Ridge Park

SMCSO Fall Soccer Registration

The South Madison County Soccer Organization will be holding fall soccer registration in July for boys and girls ages 4 to 18. The season runs from September thru November. For more information, please visit: www.smcso.com. Dates for registration will be listed on their website.

Father and Child Fishing Tournament

The City of Ridgeland Recreation and Parks will be holding its 17th-annual Father and Child Fishing Tournament Saturday, June 15. As part of a joint partnership with the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District, the tournament will be held on the beautiful Ross Barnett Reservoir. Come and enjoy a day with Dad! Bring your fishing pole or rod & reel and bait. Prizes will be awarded for Biggest Fish, Most Fish and Smallest Fish. This event is open to all ages. For more information, contact John Sidney North at 601-853-2011.

Program Price: Event Date: Free Saturday, June 15

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Adult Softball

Ridgeland Recreation and Parks will be offering a men's open league (6-homerun limit), a men's commercial league (3-homerun limit) and a men's church league. All games will be played at Freedom Ridge Park in Ridgeland. The leagues will be open to the first 24 teams in each division. ASA-sanctioned rules will be in play for the leagues. We will offer 10 to 12 games for each league. For more information, contact John Sidney North at 601-853-2011. You may register at Ridgeland City Hall.

Program Price: *Registration:*

\$500 July 24 - August 16

NFL Punt Pass and Kick

The City of Ridgeland Recreation and Parks Department, in conjunction with the NFL, will be hosting the annual punt, pass and kick competition Saturday, Sept. 14 at Freedom Ridge Park. Registration will be held from 9 to 9:30 a.m. The competition will be for boys and girls ages 6-15. There will be five age groups: 6/7, 8/9, 10/11, 12/13 and 14/15. The top scorer in each age division will advance to the sectional meet to be held in Jackson. This is a free event. The winners at the sectionals will advance to the Team Championship in New Orleans.

Event Date	Saturday, Sept. 14
Start Time:	9 a.m.
Location:	Freedom Ridge Park

SUPERSTAR SENIORS

Senior Adult Coordinator, Lynda McMahan Assink Phone: 601-856-6876 • Email: lynda.assink@ridgelandms.org

All Superstar Seniors Programs take place at the Ridgeland Recreational Center unless otherwise specified. The Rec Center is located at 137 Old Trace Park overlooking the Ross Barnett Reservoir.

WEEKLY PROGRAMS

Agape Men's Coffee Group

All men are welcomed every Wednesday morning, beginning

at 9:30 a.m. for a men's coffee group. Enjoy fellowship, storytelling, jokes and coffee at the Ridgeland Recreational Center. Call Lynda at 601-856-6876 for more information.

- **Program Price:** Start Date: Time: Day of Week:
- No Charge Ongoing 9:30 a.m. Wednesday



Learn the dance steps that are popular everywhere! In this class you'll discover a variety of line dances. It's great fun, good exercise and you don't need a partner. Darlene Epple is the instructor for the class. Call Lynda at 601-856-6876 for more information.

Program Price:	\$10/weekly
Start Date:	Ongoing
Time:	Beginners Class, 6 p.m. – 7 p.m.
	Advanced Class, 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Day of Week:	Monday

Day of Week:

Men's Bible Study

A Men's Bible Study meets every Tuesday at the Ridgeland Recreational Center. It is a non-denominational, in-depth study of God's Word. Call Earl Beck at 601-856-4252 for more information.

Start Date:	Ongoing
Start Time:	9 a.m.
Day of Week:	Tuesday

Painting with Pastels

Ridgeland Recreation & Parks is offering Painting with Pastels. Have FUN learning all about pastels, the technique of painting with pastels, pastel over watercolor under painting, wet and dry method, working from photographs, photographing your finished paintings, protecting and framing your pastel paintings. Professional artist, Cecilia Baker, is your instructor. Instructor will provide the following equipment: table easels will be provided; pastel paper can be purchased at each session; backboards can be purchased; small set of pastels can be purchased; and drawing equipment and tape available at all times. Please feel free to bring your own equipment and painting supplies. Register now by calling Cecilia Baker at 601.856.1802 or email B1108@live.com.

Program Price:	\$65/month
Start Date:	Ongoing
Times:	9:30 a.m. – noon
Day of Week:	Friday

Painting Pals

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Is it hard for you to paint and/or draw at home? Bring your own supplies and enjoy painting at our Ridgeland Recreational Center, located at Old Trace Park, overlooking the reservoir. It's an ideal setting to paint or draw! Call Lynda at 601-856-6876 and let her know you are coming!

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Program Price:	No cost
Start Date:	Ongoing
Times:	1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Day of Week:	Tuesday

Tai-Chi Fusion on the Reservoir

Ridgeland Recreation & Parks is offering a Tai-Chi Fusion on the Reservoir every Wednesday morning. Tai-Chi has become an increasingly popular form of physical exercise around the world as a basic exercise program and as a complement to health care methods. A few of the benefits are: increased flexibility and reduced risk of injury, focused breathing and concentration, improved mindbody connection, greater strength and stamina, better balance and stability, improved posture, stress reduction and much more. Pre-registration is required by calling Lynda at 601-856-6876.

Always consult your physician before beginning any exercise program. You are encouraged to bring a water bottle and arrive on time. No pets or small children.

Program Price:

Start Date: Start Time: Day of Week: \$8/per class and/or \$20/ month Ongoing 11 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Wednesday



Yoga for Flexibility, Fitness & Fun

Join us every Monday and Friday for Yoga! Lisa Newman is the instructor, and she will guide you through gentle stretching exercises for your whole body. Tight muscles can cause discomfort and even contribute to injuries. Taking this class will also help with stress reduction and aid in relaxation. Join this class today! For more information, call Lynda at 601-856-6876. Always consult your physician before beginning any exercise program.

<i>Program Price:</i> \$10 per participant/class and/or	\$64
month	
Start Date: Ongoing	
<i>Time:</i> 11 a.m. – noon	
Day of Week: Monday and Friday	

MONTHLY PROGRAMS

Bridge

Bridge games are held the fourth Thursday of each month at the Ridgeland Recreational Center overlooking the reservoir. It provides a beautiful setting for an afternoon game. The player with the highest score for the month receives a prize. Reservations are required four days in advance. Please call Lynda at 601-856-6876 or 601-853-2011 to reserve your chair. Please arrive at 12:45 p.m. to receive your nametag. Game starts promptly at 1 p.m.

Program Price:
Dates:
Time:
Day of Week:

No Charge June 27, July 25, August 22 1p.m. – 4 p.m. Thursday

Thread, Yarn, Crochet & Coffee Group

Bring your own needlework the second and fourth Mondays of each month. Come and enjoy a relaxing afternoon of fellowship and work on your handmade project. It will be a great time of "show and tell," as you work on your own masterpiece.

Program Price: Dates:

Time: Day of Week: Location: No Charge June 10 & 24, July 8 & 22, August 12 & 26 1:30 – 3 p.m. Monday Ridgeland Recreational Center

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Ice Cream Social and Sing-A-Long

Ridgeland Recreation & Parks is welcoming the summer with an ice cream social and sing-a-long. We will build our own sundaes and enjoy hearing and singing some of our old favorite songs. Errol Dauenhauer will be here to lead us in fun fellowship and the great songs of the past!

Program Price: Registration: Event Date: Time:

Free Now until Monday, June 10 Thursday, June 13 1:30 p.m. – 3 p.m.

AARP Safety Driver Program

AARP will present its Driver Safety Program for mature drivers. This course is a classroom refresher especially designed to meet the needs of older drivers. It covers age-related physical changes, declining perceptual skills, rules of the road, local driving problems and license renewal requirements. Participants will be eligible for discounts on their automobile insurance rates.

Reservations are required and may be made by calling Lynda at 601-856-6876 or 601-853-2011. Please bring your AARP card and driver's license.

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TENNIS

Ridgeland Tennis Center 201-A McClellan Drive Phone: 601-853-1115 Directors: Cheryl Harris and Susan Toler



The Ridgeland Tennis Center is the largest public tennis facility in Mississippi.

Junior Tournaments

June 1-5 MS Junior Qualifying Closed State Championship August 16-18 RTC Summer Junior Novice

Adult Tournaments

August 2-4 RTC NTRP Benefit Tournament

Summer Camps

Ridgeland Tennis Center Summer Camps will be held during the following dates: June 10-13, June 17-20, June 24-27, July 1-3 (rates are reduced this week), July 8-11 and July 22-25.

Ages 4-6 9-10:30 a.m. \$80/child/week Instructor: Cheryl Harris

Ages 7-9

10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. \$80/child/week Instructor: Cheryl Harris

Ages 10-18

Junior Drills, 9 -10:30 a.m. Match Play, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. \$80 per 1/week \$120 for both/week Instructor: Robbie Creveling, 601-316-5364





ANN SMITH ELEMENTARY

Grades K-2 • 306 S. Pear Orchard Road 601-856-6621 • www.madison-schools.com/ase Ann Smith Elementary is a kindergarten through second-grade school serving the Ridgeland attendance zone of the Madison County school system.

Technology Enhances Learning: *"Apple iPads and Interactive White Boards"*

Ann Smith Elementary makes it a goal to provide the latest and best technology tools in the classrooms, to enhance the education of all of our students. One of newest learning tools is a set of iPads. Housed on a rolling cart with a Wi-Fi signal, the iPad cart can be easily transported between classrooms. Students use iPads for projects as well as to practice skills like math and reading, using websites such as Triple A math and "apps" like Math Puppy.

IPads are an important tool in the technology mentor program as well. A second-grade class partners with Ridgeland High School's technology mentor program, bringing high school students into the class each week to work on various activities. The technology mentor program has been a huge success over the years, moving from a laptop to an iPad based program last year.

All of our first and second grade classrooms already have interactive white boards, so this year we will install interactive white boards in all of our kindergarten classes. We will also continue to improve the ways we use our iPad cart and the computer stations that are installed in every one of our classrooms. There are two state-of- the-art computer labs at Ann Smith, described in the Summer 2013 issue of this magazine.



Second-grade students enjoy learning with iPads. From left, Jorden Price, Star Pevey, Rylee Ball and Carter Culver.

Commitment to High Achievement

Principal, Dr. Melissa Philley starts her second year at Ann Smith Elementary this fall. Please read the informative monthly letter "From the Principal's Desk", published on the school website each month (http:// www.madison-schools.com/ase).

Ann Smith Elementary staff and PTO are dedicated to creating a welcoming community committed to providing a superior academic environment for all students. Parental involvement is encouraged and parents are always welcome at Ann Smith Elementary. Teachers and staff use the data from formative assessments like Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) and DRA2 to inform the instruction provided to each student.

Dr. Philley explains, "Our goal in reading and in math instruction is to move each student to the next level through the use of whole-group, small-group and oneon-one instruction."

2013-2014 School Registration

All new and returning students must register each summer before school starts. Please register as early as possible. To prove residency, two current bills (dated June 2013 or later) and a copy of your mortgage, deed or apartment lease will be needed. New students will also need their 121 form. Registration forms are available at the school. Summer office hours are 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Call 601-856-66210r come by the school, located at *306 South Pear Orchard Road*.

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STEP IT UP Award presented to Ann Smith Elementary

On Thursday, March 28, representatives from the Mississippi Department of Transportation presented Ann Smith Elementary (ASE) with the STEP IT UP Award for the school's outstanding participation in the 2012 Mississippi Walk to School Day Challenge. ASE received this award for "exhibiting spirit and innovation in inspiring others to be a part of 2012 Mississippi Walk to School Month.

Sissy Lynn, Ann Smith Elementary PTO Vice-President, who chaired the event, describes the success: "For the past two years, we've participated in Walk to School Day, and it's been such a huge success. It's an exciting event for our students, as well as for parents, school officials and community leaders. Walk to School Day really brings our community together, while also showing the benefits of walking to school to improve traffic conditions, promote physical activity and teach children about pedestrian safety.

We're thrilled to have been chosen for the STEP IT UP award because it shows how excited our ASE families are about walking to school. It's also great recognition for Ridgeland since the City's goal is to be the healthiest hometown in Mississippi."

The 2013 Mississippi Walk to School Day Challenge will take place in October.



Pictured are first-graders (from left, front) Abraham Young, Tatiana Awadby, Mary Marcellus, Alex Guerra and Christian Diaz. (Back) Officer Ricky Bracey, Ridgeland Police Department; Christine Philley, school health administrator, Mississippi Department of Education's Office of Healthy Schools; Chico Udemgba, Safe Routes program manager, Mississippi State Department of Health's Office of Preventive Health; Cookie Leffler, Safe Routes to School coordinator, Mississippi Department of Transportation; Mayor Gene McGee; Dr. Melissa Philley, principal, Ann Smith Elementary; Chief of Police Jimmy Houston, Ridgeland Police Department.

Ann Smith Promotes Positive Behavior

When children feel comfortable and confident at school, they prosper intellectually. Ann Smith promotes positive behavior in all environments in the school through efforts like the Team Titan Incentive Program, Character Education Program and the Super Titan Recognition Program. The Super Titan program ties into the character trait of the month. Traits such as friendship and honesty are promoted each month through discussions with the school counselor, Mrs. Sharpe. Two students from each class who exhibit that trait are chosen to wear "Super Titan" capes for a day. TEAM TITAN incentive program runs throughout the year. We want them to look for ways to "get caught" doing something great! Each day students who are "caught" doing great things will have the opportunity to enter their name in a drawing for fun activities like eating pizza with the principal.



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2012-13 Year in Review

We had another great year at Highland Elementary! The school year brought about the implementation of Common Core State Standards, a national movement to adopt common standards and assessments for English language arts and mathematics.

As part of Madison County School's emphasis on STEM (science, technology, engineering and math), Highland offered several opportunities for students to go more indepth in science. In December, Dr. John Hunt, professor of teacher education at Mississippi College, led Science Fun Day, where fifth-graders participated in hands-on science experiments while learning basic principles of science. And in March, the Mississippi State University Space Cowboys team talked to fourth-graders about space and rocketry, leading students in a rocket activity in the school's state-of-the-art science lab.

One of the highlights of the year for our students was the launching of early-morning clubs, led by teachers and staff members. These clubs gave our students the chance to develop skills and interests in a specific area, while interacting with other students in a supervised setting.

Our students learned first-hand the value of giving back to their community through one such club called Highland's Hands. In December, students raised \$1,200 for Madison County H.O.P.E.

for Kids, a local organization that provides healthy essentials for Madison County students facing economic challenges. And in April, Highland's Hands hosted Arts for Autism, which raised money for Autism Speaks. Through these activities and events, our students used interdependent thinking skills while helping to make their world a better place.

We're also proud of our music program, led by Lou Ann Evans. Class musical



Members of the Recorder Club are pictured (from left) Ashley Baldwin, Tori Crowder and Sydnee Pawlak.

performances were quite impressive. Mrs. Evans also formed an auditioned show choir called the Madison-Ridgeland Young Singers, primarily made up of HES students but also open to thirdthrough fifth-graders in the community. This talented group of singers won a big Christmas caroling contest in Vicksburg, in addition to performing at community events throughout the year.

And, finally, our students got motivated to exercise and get healthy through Titan Tone Up, a six-week fitness incentive program that encouraged healthy habits. Titan Tone Up was a huge success and culminated with Titan Trot, a 5K run/walk and 1-mile fun run held at Ann Smith.



Pictured are Science Club members (from left) Brenda Hill, Tanyla Scott, Shrihidhi Sathish and Makayla Bermond.

Titan Trot Winners



In March, Highland and Ann Smith held Titan Trot, a 5K race and one-mile fun run. Pictured are the 2013 fun run winners (from left, front) HES students Jeb Bailey, firstplace; Kacy Crothers, tied for second-place; and Quinn Crothers, tied for second-place. (Back) Alderman-At-Large D.I. Smith.

Teacher of the Year

TERESA LOGAN has been named Highland's Teacher of the Year for the 2012-13 school year. Logan has been teaching in Madison County Schools for 15 years and currently serves as a special education teacher for the ASD (autism spectrum disorder) class. She is a dedicated teacher who believes teaching is a calling and not just a profession. She loves working with children, and her passion is working with

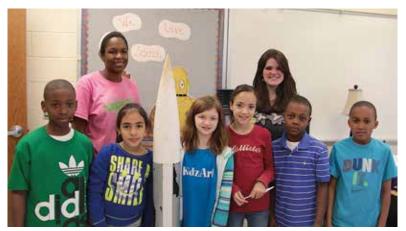


special-needs students. She believes every child is gifted and can learn in his or her own unique way. Her goal is to be the kind of teacher she would want her own children to have.

"Even though my students have special challenges, I set the bar of expectations high for them," said Logan. "When they think they've gone as far as they can go, I push them a little farther. I am amazed every day at the things my students are able to accomplish."

Logan received a B.S. in elementary education from Mississippi College and later added a special education K-12 certification. She and her husband Gregg have three children.

Space Cowboys Visit HES



In March, Highland welcomed the Mississippi State Space Cowboys Rocket Design Team, who presented fourth-graders with information about space, technology, rocketry and other STEM topics. Students got to observe rockets and take part in a hands-on rocket activity. Pictured are (from left, front) Jalen Holmes, Mirna Jaber, Fiona Clay-Hester, Valentina Salvo, Jayden Hart, Virgil Turner; (back) DeAnna Brown and Mary Kate Smith, members of the Space Cowboys.

Parent of the Year

CHRISTY WESTBY-GIBSON was chosen as Highland's Parent of the Year. Westby-Gibson is a very involved parent who serves on the PTO boards at both Highland and Ann Smith. She is responsible for

coordinating Spirit Cart, an ongoing school spirit fundraiser; is a room mom; and organized the very successful chocolate fundraiser in February, which raised nearly \$32,000 for the school. During the fundraiser, Westby-Gibson spent many hours at the



school counting money and distributing chocolate to students. She also served on the Titan Trot planning committee, heading up the registration team.

"Christy is truly the definition of giving," said Savanah Perry, a fifth-grade teacher and president of the PTO. "She gives her time and energy freely to the students and teachers at Highland without thinking twice. She's made this school year a success by exceeding all expectations in organizing and carrying out the school's largest fundraiser. You simply could not ask for more from a parent."

Westby-Gibson lives in Ridgeland with her husband Gerry and their two sons, Massion and Hunter.

Reminder: Please Provide Residency Information

All students in the Madison County School District must provide residency information on a yearly basis. New and returning students must provide two current utility bills for the months of June or July. Beginning June 17, you may drop off residency information at the school office weekdays from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. To find out more information about what documents are required for new students, please visit www.madison-schools.com/hes.

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Chamber Choir Sweeps Awards at Festival Disney

The OTMS Chamber Singers competed at Festival Disney, a national choral Festival in Orlando, FL, during Spring Break. The competition featured middle school choirs from across the United States. Thirty-three seventh and eighth graders represented Olde Towne in the middle school ensemble category. They received awards for Superior Choir, Best in Class for Mixed Choirs, and the Golden Mickey for Best Overall Middle School Choir. The chamber choir is under the direction of Miss Emily Rich.



OTMS Superior Band

For 17 years, the Olde Towne 8th Grade Band has upheld the school's tradition of All-Superior Ratings. Thursday, March 21, was no exception. The band participated in the Central Mississippi Band Festival at Ridgeland High School where the students and directors worked together to achieve All-Superior ratings in both Concert and Sight-Reading, adding another year to the list of successes.

Congratulations

to Olde Towne Middle School Principal Allen Lawrence

Madison County School District Administrator of the Year

Congratulations to Olde Towne Principal Allen Lawrence on being named Madison County School District Administrator of the Year.

At Olde Towne Middle School, we are providing our students with the skills needed to succeed in a high-tech world through innovative programs. On April 13, our school launched a high-altitude balloon that was loaded with science experiments from the Science Club, and tracking equipment and cameras from the Radio and Technology Club. The balloon reached 66,000 feet and landed 20 miles east of Philadelphia, Miss. We named the balloon EAGLE3 in honor of NASA's moon landing and it being the school's third launch. Currently, OTMS is the only non-college school in the state of Mississippi to launch near-space balloons and study the atmosphere in this manner.



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Technology Student Association News



The six students from the Olde Towne Middle School Technology Student Association (TSA) who placed first at state competition on March 26 in Natchez will go on to compete at the national TSA conference in Orlando on June 28 through July 2. Shown left to right are Zachary Blanchard, Eric Henderson, Randy Townsend, McKennley Wilson, Parker Goff and Keelan Horne.

Blanchard competed in structural engineering. The bridge he built was the most efficient, being light in weight but able to withstand a greater amount of applied pressure. In the electronics competition, Townsend built an electronic circuit, the only one in the competition to work correctly. Townsend, Wilson and Blanchard competed as a team in Tech Bowl, a technology trivia contest. Wilson and Goff won in the Tech Talk competition, using only text messaging to communicate as they solved a problem. Winning in the video game competition were Horne and Henderson.

The students are in the process of recruiting sponsors and fund-raising for their trip to Orlando. Individuals or businesses wishing to help with these efforts should contact TSA sponsor William Richardson at wrichardson@madison-schools.com.

Technology Student Association Winners

Congratulations to the OTMS Technology Team that recently competed at the Technology Student Association MS State Championship!

1st Place State Champions

- Structural Engineering Zach Blanchard
- Electronic Concepts Randy Townsend
- Tech Talk Parker Goff & McKennley Wilson
- Tech Bowl Randy Townsend, Zach Blanchard, & McKennley Wilson
- Video Game Design Keelan Horne & Eric Henderson

2nd Place State Champions

- Tech Talk- Randy Townsend & Zach Blanchard
- Prepared Speech Victoria Green
- Video Game Design Ben Bowen & Christian Phann

3rd Place State Champions

- Digital Photography Jarret Huddleston
- Electronics- Reece Dent

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BAM! Essay Competition Winners



Nine Ridgeland High School seniors were award winners in the BAM! Health Fair Essay contest sponsored by Greater Leadership Jackson. Pictured front row left to right are: first place winner Frances Milam, fifth place winner Jamie Logan, honorable mention winner Keshaura Porter, honorable mention winner Amber Williams and third place

winner Olivia Travis; back row left to right are: second place winner Taniya McNeal, fourth place winner Emily Wasson, honorable mention winner Ann Louise Seabrook, and honorable mention winner Gary Plowden.

RHS Jazz Band



Ridgeland High School Jazz band at the 6th Annual Township Jazz Festival, April 13, 2013. Under the direction of Mr. McArthur and Mr. Milner, the Jazz Band is an extracuricular activity offered to band students in the spring semester.

ESF Essay Winners



Educational Services Foundation/Get2College annually sponsors a state-wide scholarship essay competition and awards 50 \$1000 scholarships to selected winners. This year, over 1200 applications were submitted and Ridgeland High School is proud to announce three of our senior students have been selected as winners. The three students each receiving a \$1000 scholarship are: Jamie Logan, Michael Nguyen, and Emily Wasson. Pictured left to right are AP English teacher Deborah Lightsey, Wasson, Logan, counselor Becky Fields, Nguyen, and counselor Tiffany McKinnon.

Engineering Competition Team

Ridgeland High School students recently competed in a water tower competition at the University of Mississippi. These students won first place. Pictured left to right are Rodney Kipchumba, Taylor Huddleston, Sean Murray, and Justin Ryan. The group was led by Allen Marett.



Gold Medal for Ridgeland Indoor Percussion Ensemble



The Mississippi Indoor Association State Championship was held at Itawamba Community College in Fulton, Mississippi on April 6, 2013. Ridgeland High School Indoor Percussion Ensemble, under the direction of Jay McArthur and Craig Bane, were the Mississippi Gold Medalists in the Independent class. Back row: Hunter Beasley, Lauren Slay, Kirby Mitchell, Jamal Horne, Brandon Jones, Aundria Price, Sarah Clifton, LaBreia Tate, Ashanti Hughes, Andre Vincent, Dean Morgan, Kaleb Mack, Casey Hardaway, Justin Collins, and Nick Wallace. Second row: DeRosia Roskelley, Addison Griffin, Nathaly Espinoza, Michelle Nguyen, Maddie Davis, Sam Palmer, Kelsey Sims, Dylan Keveryn, and Tre' Taliaferro. Front row: Megan Levine, Meredith Owen, Kameron Shook, Henry Garett, and Jason Necaise.

FBLA Fundraiser



The Ridgeland High School Future Business Leaders of America organization recently raised \$1000 through fundraising efforts for the local March of Dimes. Pictured are front row left to right: Robert Richard (Regions Assistant Vice President), FBLA member Achaia Moore, Kellie Bosarge (March of Dimes Community Director), FBLA members Jada Slaughter, Jada Toles, and Angel Washington. Back row left to right are FBLA members Brandy Holden, Soledad Vieyra, Trey Benson, Bryce Kettleman, Amy Mart, Baraa Malouhi, and FBLA sponsor Kathy Evans. Not pictured is FBLA sponsor Ginger Joe.

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Library News



The Ridgeland Public Library staff is pleased to have Madison resident Marvette Burns as a new employee. As a Jackson State University graduate, Marvette obtained a Masters in Special Education and a Bachelor's in Communicative Disorders. She is passionate about cultural diversity, believing mutual respect for each other is the key to a positive society. Marvette looks forward to assisting the Spanish speaking community as well as the physically disabled populations. She is a member of the Mississippi Speech Hearing Association (MSHA) and Future Educators Association (FEA). In addition, Marvette writes for Parents & Kids Magazine and is a mother of two daughters, Kennedy and Kameron.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

By Cindy Graves, Children's Specialist

"Dig Into Reading" this summer with Ridgeland Library's Reading Program Activities!

It's summertime again! The library staff has been hard at work preparing to make this Summer Library Program an incredible event for all ages. This year's

theme is geared toward promoting creativity, conservation and a thirst for knowledge as well as encouraging youth of all ages to read throughout the summer!

Our mission is not only to continue to create fun-filled programming for the community but also to ensure the public can count on us to help beat the heat with awesome, free activities. Like every summer, we have great contests planned for children and youth to participate in that involve reading and winning GREAT PRIZES!

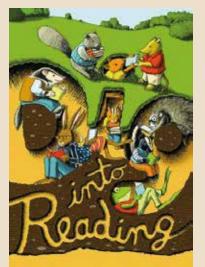
Our five-week June and July program offers a selection of family programs geared toward all children, as well as amazing Teen/ Tween programs. Registration starts May 1 and will be available online as well as at the library. Please see the listings below for details.

Family Programs

- Puppet Arts Theatre with Pete Zapletal Tuesday, June 4 at 3:30 p.m.
- Gallant Hearts Guide Dogs Thursday, June 6 at 4:30 p.m.
- Mr. Magic Nick Monday, June 10 at 3:30 p.m.
- Lego Challenge (grades 1 5) Tuesday, June 11 at 3 p.m.
- Skins & Skulls with Archaeology emphasis by the Natchez Trace Park Service (grades 1 5) Tuesday, June 18 at 10:30 a.m.
- We Dig MCLS! (Puppets, Skits, and Songs) Tuesday, June 25 at 10:30 a.m.
- Sam E Soil & Friends Greenhouse & Conservation Program Wednesday, June 26 at 10:30 a.m.

Teen And Tween Programs (rising 6th - 12th grades)

- Epitaph Writing Craft Thursday, June 13, 4-5 p.m. with guest author & Delta native Lisa Purser (followed by sales and signing table for adults featuring her two adult fiction novels)
- Tie-Dye Workshop Friday, June 21 at 3 p.m.
- "Underground" Cooking with local chefs from Table 100 Monday, July 1 (time TBA)
- "Grounds" Coffeehouse/Teen Time Topic sponsored in part by Barnes & Noble: "Using Social Media to Connect with Readers" – Tuesday, July 2 at 3:30 p.m.



PROGRAMS

My New Favorite Book

When that 'one' hits you, and you know you have to give it your attention. MY new favorite is Irene O'Garden's <u>Forest, What Would You Like</u>?, an all-season poetic writing about requests from the forest for each season. Ever wonder what a group of trees would wish for? And what an appropriate book for an author to write who has the word 'garden' in her name? It makes me wonder which came first, the book or O'Garden. Hmmm... Wonder away with me and find this selection in the children's room to check your wonderings as you peruse the text or check-it-out for full wonderment! This "ode to nature" includes sun, song, smells, rivers, rain and more. All yearlong, the forest longs for people, specifically children—to roam through, discover its mysteries and laugh. Ms. O'Garden's book is based on more than 400 responses to the title question. What a new treasure for our shelves!



Sweet Liam and his family have a jump on everyone, but it's not too late to begin this reading program with your baby or preschooler. In mid to late February, Madison County Library System began implementing the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten early literacy program in each of its branches. So far, Ridgeland's tree has sprouted at least 5 leaves. Reading is in bloom in these young lives as parents take a reading log to jot down their first 100 titles read and then place a leaf on our giant indoor tree on behalf of their child. They receive a small prize and the next reading log. Once a thousand books have been read, the children receive a reading certificate which they may proudly present to their kindergarten teacher or keep for themselves. They also will receive a free book to take home. Titles for their reading logs may come from library checkouts, books at home, books read at attended library programs and favorites that are read over & over.

More Information about Scheduling

The Summer Reading Program will end July 5. Please note we will not be having our regularly scheduled tot and preschool programs from May through August. These programs will begin again in September. Look for a shortened schedule of events for the remainder of July following the July 5 official end of our "Dig Into Reading" emphasis. In August, the staff takes a break from programming to prepare for all of our fun-filled fall programs for families, tots, preschoolers, tweens and teens. As always, we look forward to seeing you all at the library this year, and don't forget to check the official summer reading calendar at www.mcls.ms for updated dates and times and more programs throughout Madison County. Visit us on Facebook too! If you have any questions about programs for "Dig Into Reading," contact Cindy Graves at (601) 856-4536 or cgraves@mcls.ms.

Garden Re-Christening

Summer 2013 brought Master Gardener and Conservationist attention to the garden near the main library entrance off School Street in Ridgeland. Carol Rives and Jerry Williams of Ridgeland's Friends of the Library group has coordinated efforts with Jeannine May of Keep the Rez Beautiful and Hinds/ Madison County Soil Conservation agents Celia Miller and Lynn Porter. Major improvements have been made, and our thanks go to City of Ridgeland laborers for assistance with tree removal.

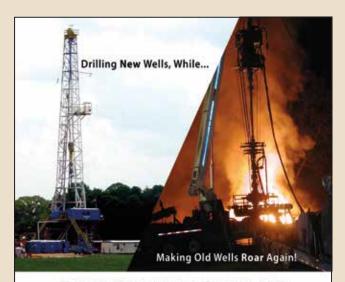
The Ridgeland Children's Specialist announced an April 22nd Earth Day entry deadline for the "Name That Garden" contest which produced a winning 'rechristening' title for the natural area. The winner received a collection of garden-related items purchased with funds from the Ridgeland Friends of the Library organization. This area is to be used in occasional story time programs and by readers wanting to absorb some pages along with fresh air. All library visitors are welcome to take a few steps down the stone path and enjoy the newly-revived beauty.

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Baby Bookends

Newcomer to Baby Bookends Loves Books! Sophia and her mom began attending Baby Bookends with a smile and a love for books already! What a joyful addition to our group!!



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FamFun

Spring sprung and families had big fun roaming from table to table exercising various game skills at FamFun "Game Break" spring break event. Moms were laughing and visiting, prizes were won and what a great time was had on this beautiful day. Other 2013 FamFun events have been the January Meet 'n Greet and Scavenger Hunt, and May's Teddy Bear Picnic – a "Dig Into Reading" kickoff event. Next FamFun will be "B2SB" – a Back to School Bash – in late August. Bring the family and join the fun at Ridgeland Library!

Art Junction

The Ridgeland Public Library held an Art Junction program for third- through sixth-graders this spring. Miss Recycle Queen, pictured here, was one of many creations made during this program which focused on combining art with reading and writing.



Ridgeland Chamber Seeks Junior Diplomat Applicants

Area high school juniors and seniors are invited to apply to become part of the Ridgeland Chamber of Commerce's 2013-2014 Junior Diplomat Program.

Students residing in Ridgeland, who attend Ridgeland High School, St. Andrew's Episcopal School, Jackson Academy, St. Joseph Catholic School, Madison Ridgeland Academy, The Veritas School and Jackson Prep are invited to submit applications by the August 16, 2013 deadline.

"The purpose of the Junior Diplomat program is to instill in students a well-rounded appreciation of community service and introduce them to members of the business community," said Linda Bynum, Executive Director of the Ridgeland Chamber of Commerce.

Diplomats Julie Cox of the City of Ridgeland and Jim Lowery of Pear Orchard Business Center serve as Junior Diplomat co-advisors.

The Junior Diplomats meet the first Tuesday of every month at Chamber members businesses. This year, Aalaap Desai, a senior at Madison Ridgeland Academy and Ann Louise Seabrook and Emily Wasson, both seniors at Ridgeland High School, served as co-captains of the program.

Throughout the year the Junior Diplomats participate in many City and Chamber events, including the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast, Make A Difference Day, Sr. Adult Valentine's Banquet, the Natchez Trace Century Ride, Easter Egg Hunt, Heatwave Classic, KidFest! Ridgeland and Trunk or Treat!

"Students interested in the Junior Diplomat Program must complete an application and submit it to the Chamber office," Bynum said. "Every application is carefully read and reviewed. We want students in the program who have every potential of becoming tomorrow's leaders."

Each applicant must write a 100-word essay detailing why he/she would be a good candidate for the program. "Every application must include three letters of recommendation, and one of those letter must be from a teacher, principal or high school counselor," Bynum added.

Other criteria include a list of all extra curricular activities, awards received and offices held. And, all applicants must have a 3.0 grade average.

Junior Diplomat applications are available at the counselor's office of each participating school and the Chamber office located at 754 S. Pear Orchard Road.

"One of the greatest aspects about this program is that our Junior Diplomats have gotten to know others with the same interests and goals," Bynum said. "They have become better acquainted with their community and they are realizing the importance of giving back to the community."

"If we can instill one basic premise," she added, "it is the age-old adage, 'we make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.""

For more information on the Chamber's Junior Diplomat Program, call the Chamber office at 601-991-9996.





High school juniors and seniors representing Ridgeland High School, Madison-Ridgeland Academy, The Veritas School, St. Joseph Catholic School and St. Andrew's Episcopal School are inducted into the 2012-2013 Junior Diplomat Program at Orientation held at Northpark Mall.



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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



Our Junior Diplomat's named TOP Soccer their "favorite" volunteer activity of the year!



Frances Milam, senior, Ridgeland High School and Emily Wheat, senior, The Veritas School, encourage walkers at Old Trace Park during the Mayor's Fun Walk.



Junior Diplomats Andrea Fields and Cailin Herring sell baked goods at The Township Fall Festival. The Make A Difference Day project raised money for the American Cancer Society's Strides Against Breast Cancer Campaign.



Celebrating the completion of Adam's Project Playground at Freedom Ridge Park are from left, Junior Diplomat co-advisor Jim Lowery, Pear Orchard Business Center and Junior Diplomats Hanna Harris, Christina Buliox and Shekinah Robinson. The Junior Diplomat's helped raise funds for Adam's Project with a Make A Difference Day Bake Sale.



Junior Diplomats carry the Ridgeland Chamber banner and enjoy a beautiful, sunny day at the annual Christmas parade.



CenterPoint Energy hosted a Junior Diplomat meeting and introduced students to the "fuel of the future," a car that runs on natural gas.



Trunk or Treat at Freedom Ridge Park is a great way for our Junior Diplomats to get involved with the community.



Junior Diplomat co-captain Emily Wasson, a senior at RHS, paints the face of a little buccaneer at Trunk or Treat.

Butler, Snow, O'Mara, Stevens & Cannada, PLLC Sponsors Scholarships

Butler, Snow, O'Mara, Stevens & Cannada, PLLC will sponsor two scholarships totaling \$1,500 to the Ridgeland Chamber's Junior Diplomat of the Year and the recipient of the Spirit of Junior Diplomat Award. The scholarship will be awarded to two seniors who are members of the Junior Diplomat Program during their school's Class Awards Day.

"We are pleased to be a part of this very worthwhile program," said Attorney Sam Keyes of the Butler Snow firm who also serves as a Ridgeland Chamber Board member. "Our youth are tomorrow's leaders and it is important that we instill in our high school juniors and seniors the importance of community service and giving back to our community."



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Community Awareness Committee

Fourth Monday - 5:30 p.m. Janie Boyd - Chairperson Chad Carr, Peggy Gauthe, Shirley Gill, Dawn Hall, Scott Higginbotham, Lee Hutchings, Drew Malone, Gwen Ross, Mike Smith, Darlene Turner

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