

Sykes honors 74 students headed to middle school

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Sykes Elementary School, which has a student body of 471, was one of 39 public schools in the city of Jackson to facilitate Award Day festivities. Sykes event honored 74 fifth graders who were advancing to middle school.

Of note was Eric Hart, a gifted African American male with a 3.5 GPA. As a result of his dedication to learning, Eric is already testing on the eighth grade level, and took home more awards than any of his classmates. His proud father, Eric Hart, jumped to his feet and yelled congratulatory words of praise a dozen times.

According to Hart's father, during the evening, after school studying is a priority and television is forbidden, a practice which is also enforced in the White House by President and Mrs. Obama.

Eric's mother, Kenya Hart, said, "Eric builds small motors," which is significant since he aspires to become an architect. Eric's grandmother, Geneva Brooks, an assistant teacher at Sykes, is the force behind his academic

success.

Brooks noted, "We get support from the school. Some teachers stay late at no charge to tutor students." This summer, as is customary, Eric's grandmother will prepare him for the next grade level using grade appropriate workbooks.

Eric's classmate, Angelica Reynolds, a Gifted Program participant, received a Creative Writing Award. "We write about superheroes, Martin Luther King Jr., poems, haiku, and rhymes," she noted. Angelica has been taught African American and Hispanic roots by her parents, Rufus and Velet Sampson. Angelica knows that her father's ancestors were forbidden by law to learn how to read and write during slavery and she doesn't take for granted the freedom she has today. "I feel that everyone has the



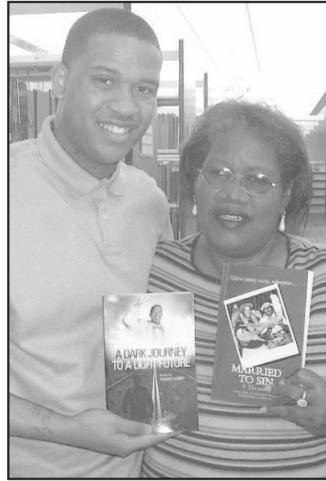
Eric Hart

right to say what they feel and write it down and to express their true feelings," she proclaimed. This summer Angelica is completing a collection of poems and short stories, which she plans to publish in the near future.

The school's Principal, Eloise Jones, says, "I hope parent meeting and conference participation will increase next year, because research indicates children are more academically successful when parents are involved." However she is concerned for the outgoing students, noting, "Parent involvement tends to decline the older children become."

The Award Day program speaker, Whitten Middle School Principal Anthony Moore, discouraged students from succumbing to peer pressure. He said, "You're headed to middle school next year. Don't let any of them tell you what to do. Listen to your parents and teachers."

Twenty-four year old Tommie Mabry, an ISS instruction at Whitten, walked briskly across the auditorium floor revealing several of his 54 tattoos



Author, motivational speaker and educator Tommie Mabry holds a copy of his book with fan author Darlene Collier.

and captivated the audience with his testimony. Mabry grew up in the Midtown community known as the North End. "I was in the fifth grade when I first got locked up," he professed. "We

were trying to be cool and trying to fit in." he admitted. During his turbulent youth, Mabry defied authority, and was expelled from various elementary and middle schools in Jackson. His criminal activity elevated from petty theft to strong armed robbery, carjacking, and selling drugs.

In high school Mabry travelled with the basketball team which gave him an outlet from his community; remarkably, he turned his life completely around after being shot in the 12th grade. Though he had been predicted to fail, Mabry was crowned Mr. Tougaloo and completed college. He is the author of *A Dark Journey to a Light Future*. Mabry hopes his story will encourage students to take education seriously noting, "There is nothing dumb about being smart."

Sykes Elementary School is on academic watch but Jones is confident the school is heading in the right direction because she has a dedicated staff. Great possibilities are awaiting Eric, Angelica, and the other students. Mabry is proof that it is never too late to get on track.



Hinds County Sheriff Tyrone Lewis was the man of the hour during a recent reception held in his honor by the Jackson Medical Mall District. Sounds from the Time to Move Band filled the air as Sheriff Lewis mingled through the crowd of over 300 well wishers. The event was held in the Community Meeting Room of the Jackson Medical Mall. Medical Mall tenants, area businesses, and community groups showcased the best the district had to offer up and down the Mall corridor as a part of the district-wide event. They included American Medical Response, Bottoms Up Fresh Fruit Smoothie, Complete Physical Therapy, AMData Tax Service, A1 Healthcare, Stanton Body Shop, Tyler's Gift Shop & More, Improving Quality of Life (IQOL), and Medical Claims and Disability. Neighborhood groups with booths were Lake Forest, Virden Addition, and the California Combine Street Improvement Association. Churches included Bertha Chapel and the Williamson Street Church of Christ. The reception was hosted by the Jackson Medical Mall Foundation, area neighborhood associations, churches, and businesses.

Felicia Tillman speaks on motherhood, success, and true love at Ladybug Awards luncheon



Felicia Tillman, Ladybug Club President Tonja Murphy, and top honorees at Awards Luncheon

JANS – Felicia Tillman, writer and producer of Made'lyn Productions' upcoming stage play *It's Time to Take out the Trash*, was the guest speaker at The Ladybug Club Awards Luncheon on Saturday, May 27, 2012, at The Penguin Restaurant.

"Greatness and negativity do not go together," Tillman

told the group, "so always push for greatness."

Tillman also stressed the importance of a strong mother/daughter relationship to the preteen members of the Ladybug Club.

"I did not have my mother around when I needed her most and I made a few bad choices. That's why I urge you today to love your

mother, listen to your mother, and adore her. Other than the love of Jesus, the love of a good mother cannot be matched."

In Tillman's upcoming stage play *It's Time to Take out the Trash*, it is the lack of motherly love and self-love that leads the main character, Nikki, on a downward spiral that involves molestation,

promiscuity, adultery, betrayal, and murder.

It's Time to Take out the Trash will debut at Thalia Mara Hall on Saturday, June 30, 2012, at 8 p.m. Early Bird Ticket Specials are available thru June 1 at Dollhouse Dance Factory, 1410 Ellis Ave., Jackson, from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. For more information call 601-665-5042.

LEGAL NOTICES / CLASSIFIEDS

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HINDS COUNTY, FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF FANNIE L. BROWN BY ANTWYN BROWN PETITIONER

CAUSE NO. P-2011-53 W/4

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

WHEREAS Letters Testamentary were granted to Antwyn Shawntez Brown, the undersigned, on 12th day of September, 2011, by the Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi;

NOW THEREFORE, all persons and or entities having claims against the Estate of Fannie L. Brown are hereby notified to have such claims probated and registered with and by the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hinds County, Mississippi, within ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of this notice or the same will be forever barred.

WITNESSED my signature, this the 9th day of May, 2012

s/Antwyn S. Brown
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

VERCHEL CONCHOLA PLAINTIFF

VERSUS

KATHY LEONARD CONCHOLA DEFENDANT

CAUSE NO.: G-2012-828 T/1

SUMMONS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HINDS

TO: KATHY LEONARD CONCHOLA

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Verchel Conchola, seeking a Divorce. You are required to mail or hand-deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to Joanie Perkins Potter, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 1909 Robinson Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39209.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NO LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE FIRST DAY OF PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a

reasonable time afterward.

Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this 14th day of May, 2012.

Eddie Jean Carr
Chancery Clerk
3TC: 05-17, 24, 31-12

Advertisement for Bids

Bid 2231 - Video Learning Project
Bid 2232 - Special Education Documentation Management System
Bid 2233 - Behavioral management Software

Sealed, written formal bid proposals for the above bids will be received by the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District, in the Business Office, 662 South President Street, Jackson, Mississippi, 39201 until 10:00 A.M. (Local Prevailing Time) June 12, 2012, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. A pre-bid walkthrough will be held at 10:00 A.M. on May 29, 2012 at Capital City Alternative School, 2221 Boiling Street, Jackson, MS 39213 for Bid 2231 Video Learning Project only. This isn't mandatory but strongly suggest attending. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, and to withhold the acceptance of any bid if approved for forty-five calendar days from the date bids are opened. Proposal forms and detailed specifications may be obtained free of charge by emailing acrossley@jackson.k12.ms.us, calling (601) 960-8799, or documents may be picked up at the above address. For questions and concerns regarding bids, please contact Mr. Phillip Hairston at (601)-960-8831 or phairston@jackson.k12.ms.us. 2TC: 05-24, 31-12

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

APRIL PORTER HORNE PLAINTIFF

VS.

JUSTIN LEON HORNE DEFENDANT

CAUSE NO.: G2012-780 O/3

SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO: JUSTIN HORNE
114 Lambuth Court
Jackson, MS 39206

AMENDED SUMMONS

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Plaintiff APRIL PORTER HORNE seeking a Divorce.

You are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of a WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE Complaint to Vangela M. Wade, the attorney for the Plaintiff, whose address is 321 Highway 51, Suite C, Ridgeland, MS 39157.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NO LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 24TH DAY OF MAY, 2012, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DE-

MANDED IN THE COMPLAINT

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this the 16th day of May, 2012.

HINDS COUNTY CHANCERY CLERK

(SEAL)
3TC: 05-24, 31, 06-07-12

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE OF SALE IS HEREBY GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MISSISSIPPI STATUTES GOVERNING THE SALE OF ABANDONED VEHICLES. THE VEHICLES WILL BE SOLD FOR THE TOWING AND STORAGE CHARGES AS WELL AS THE COST OF THIS SALE. VEHICLES AND ALL CONTENTS WILL BE SOLD FOR CASH TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER. SELLER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO BID ON THE VEHICLES AND TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS.

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Advertisement for Bids

Bid 2234 - Food Service Warehouse Food Products
Bid 2235 - Food Service Warehouse Paper & Stock Supplies

Sealed, written formal bid proposals for the above bids will be received by the Board of Trustees of the Jackson Public School District, in the Business Office, 662 South President Street, Jackson, Mississippi, until 10:00 A.M. (Local Prevailing Time) June 19, 2012, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, and to withhold the acceptance of any bid if approved for forty-five calendar days from the date bids are opened. Proposal forms and detailed specifications may be obtained free of charge by emailing acrossley@jackson.k12.ms.us, calling (601) 960-8799, or documents may be picked up at the above address. 2TC: 05-31, 06-07-12

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(Local Prevailing Time) June 19, 2012, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, and to withhold the acceptance of any bid if approved for forty-five calendar days from the date bids are opened. Proposal forms and detailed specifications may be obtained free of charge by emailing acrossley@jackson.k12.ms.us, calling (601) 960-8799, or documents may be picked up at the above address. 2TC: 05-31, 06-07-12

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