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# Shoppers' Guide

SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2023

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## SCHEDULE FOR UPCOMING SHOPPERS' GUIDES

### MARCH

March 18

Digital Version

March 25

Printed Version

### APRIL

April 1

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April 8

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April 15

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Printed versions will be mailed March 25 and April 8. Digital versions will be available at [www.advancemonticellonian.com](http://www.advancemonticellonian.com) March 18, April 1 and April 15.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Drew County Historical Museum is back. Opened each Saturday from 10am till 4pm. Come on by and visit with us and see some of Monticello's treasures. We're located at 404 South Main Street. See you soon

### Hope Place

Hope Place in Monticello is in need of newborn and size 6 diapers. We are open to receive donations Tuesday - Wednesday - Thursday from 9:30 am - 4:30 pm. TFN f

### Fight Hunger

Hope Place of Monticello invites our

community to drop off non-perishable food donations. We are open to receive donations Tuesday - Wednesday - Thursday from 9:30am-4:30pm. Suggested items: Pasta, Peanut Butter, Rice, Beans, Soup, Canned Meats, Canned Fruits & Vegetables, Mac&Cheese, Cereal, Juice and Boxed Meals. 224 South Main, Monticello. TFN

### Historical Preservation Funds Needed For Enon School

Funds are needed for the maintenance of Enon's 2-room schoolhouse located at 2474 Highway 35E outside of Monticello. Any donation

amount will be greatly appreciated to keep the legacy alive and well. For more information on how to help preserve Enon's schoolhouse or to make a donation contact, Laura Whitaker, 870-460-5690. TFN

CASA of the 10th Judicial District is seeking volunteer advocates and board members. To find out how you can help a child in need, please contact (870) 367-9449. TFN

Monticello 2nd Chancefurdogs is in need of supplies: Dog pens, kennels and crates, dog houses, 20x20 plastic tarps, dog feeders, dog and puppy food ALWAYS needed. If you would like to donate, please contact: [Monticello2ndChancefurdogs@yahoo.com](mailto:Monticello2ndChancefurdogs@yahoo.com) or find us on facebook. TFN

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### February 21-March 28

First United Methodist Church will offer Shepherd's Classes beginning at 9 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 21 at 371 S. Main in Monticello. The cost is \$10. Learn a new skill, meet new people and fellowship. For more information, contact Gretchen at 501-467-2262.

### March 18

Ringers of Hope Bell Choir will present a free concert at 11 a.m., Saturday, March 18 at Monticello SDA Church, 2656 Highway 278 E. A light fellowship meal will follow. For more information, call 870-723-8238.

### March 18

Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church, located at 312 E. Oakland, will hold a chicken spaghetti dinner fundraiser from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Saturday, March 18. Walk-ins are welcome. To place an advance order, call Shelia Jacob at 870-723-6979.

### March 20

Registration is now open for the Spring 2023 season of Seark Miracle League baseball. You can register online at [www.searkmiracleleague.com](http://www.searkmiracleleague.com). The deadline to guarantee a jersey is Monday, March 20. This season is free to athletes.

### March 26

The annual meeting of the Union Cemetery Association will be held at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, March 26 at the United Methodist Church in Rye. All interested parties are invited to attend.

### April 13

Seark Concert Association will present The Master Singers at 7 p.m., Thursday, April 13 at the University of Arkansas at Monticello Fine Arts Center. For more information, call 870-460-1888 or visit [www.searkconcert.org](http://www.searkconcert.org).

### May 6

The Drew Central All School Reunion will be held Saturday, May 6.

Times will be announced at a later date.

### Updates/Other Events

Save the Children is offering Head Start and Early Head Start services to low income families with children getting ready to start Kindergarten. To apply in Monticello, call 870-224-8045 or visit 175 Henley Dr.

Every third Thursday, from November to March, a free community yoga class will be offered from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Monticello Coffee Company. Props and mats are available for use. Everyone is invited to attend and enjoy yoga, hot tea and coffee sponsored by Woodside Medical, hosted by MoCoCo and led by Maci Edwards.

Each Wednesday, barring a catastrophe, the city of Monticello is accepting recyclable items at the Transfer Station within the following guidelines: 1) Cardboard—must be flattened. Not accepted are cereal boxes, drink can boxes or egg cartons; 2) Plastic bottles—lids must be removed and the bottles must be bagged. Only No. 1 and No. 2 bottles are accepted (the number is located on the bottom of the bottle). No wide-mouthed bottles can be accepted; 3) Newspapers—bagged or boxed; 4) Aluminum cans—must be bagged. No tin cans or pet food cans can be accepted; and 5) Shredded office paper—must be bagged. To have recycled items picked up, contact City Hall at 870-367-4400. Note: Electronics (E-Waste) are accepted at the city transfer station, 1466 Old Warren Road, but are not eligible for pick up. The city reminds all citizens to not mix household trash with recyclable items. The city does not accept glass or any item not listed above at this time.

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The Drew County Quorum Court meets the second Monday of every month at 6 p.m. in the Monticello District Court, 107 East Jackson Avenue in Monticello. The public is encouraged to attend.

The Monticello City Council meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. in the Sadie T. Johnson Community Building, 707 U.S. Highway 278 East in Monticello. The public is encouraged to attend.

The Monticello Winner's Group of Alcoholics Anonymous meets at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, located at 836 N. Hyatt St. in Monticello at 12 noon on Tuesdays and Fridays and at 7 p.m. on Thursdays and Saturdays. The meetings are open. There are no dues or fees.

Show support for local schools by purchasing a school mascot yard sign

for only \$20. All three (University of Arkansas at Monticello Boll Weevils, Drew Central Pirates and Monticello Billies) may be purchased for \$50. For more information, contact the Monticello-Drew County Chamber of Commerce at 870-367-6741 or stop by the chamber office at 335 East Gaines Street.

The Southeast Arkansas Regional Library, Monticello Branch, 114 West Jefferson Avenue, is open from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Masks are required while entering, exiting or walking around the library. Masks may be removed while seated. Social distancing of 6 feet between individuals. Hand sanitizer is available upon entering the building and at the front desk. Call the library at 870-367-8583. Fax, copying and printing services are available. Public WiFi is available inside and from the parking lot. The password is books2015.

Southeast Arkansas Delta Solutions Community Development Organization announces the opening of its Information and Referral Outreach Office, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The office will be open Tuesdays only. Services will include but are not limited to, COVID-19 relief information, pharmacy assistance referrals for free and reduced prescription medications, help with disability applications and other health and human services needs. Delta Solutions is a non-profit organization, serving residents in Ashley, Bradley, Chicot, Desha and Drew counties. Its primary focus is Education, Housing, Health and Wellness, Economic Development, Community Development, Housing, Food Insecurity, and Financial Literacy. The office is located at Revival Center Church's Business office complex. For service, please use the front entrance at 311 South Pine in Monticello. For questions or to schedule an appointment, one may call Mrs. Linda Austin at (870) 740-1093.

To all concerned that have family or cemetery plots in the Andrews Chapel Cemetery, please send any updated contact information to: Andrews Chapel Cemetery Association, C/O Cindy Ferrell, Secretary/Treasurer, 2968 Barkada Road, Wilmar, AR 71675.

Anyone interested in joining the VFW Auxiliary is asked to contact Wanda or Melvin Veasey, VFW Commander, at [mlvinj.veasey@yahoo.com](mailto:mlvinj.veasey@yahoo.com) or 870-723-4993. Any relative of a veteran who served overseas in a foreign war is eligible for membership. Any past members who are still interested in the Auxiliary are also asked to contact Wanda or Melvin if they are still interested in being a member.

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## Melvin Rauls focuses on honesty, integrity

By: Kristie Nail  
graphics3@monticellonews.net

Melvin Rauls, owner of Rauls Landscaping, Housepainting and Yardwork, has been around awhile. His business started out in 1996 in the Pine Bluff area, but he's since moved to the Monticello area (around 2000). The business has two employees, Melvin and Aaron Rauls.

Mr. Rauls' business philosophy is short but sweet: "A job done is a job well done."

He attributes his company's success to 'staying with it.' When life is sour or when life gives Mr. Rauls lemons he 'makes lemonade.'

Melvin says that the greatest obstacle he's had to overcome to make his business a success is not giving up and staying focused when money is low or business is slow.

Mr. Rauls hopes to see his business grow in the future. In the next year, five years or ten years, he wants to go from a small

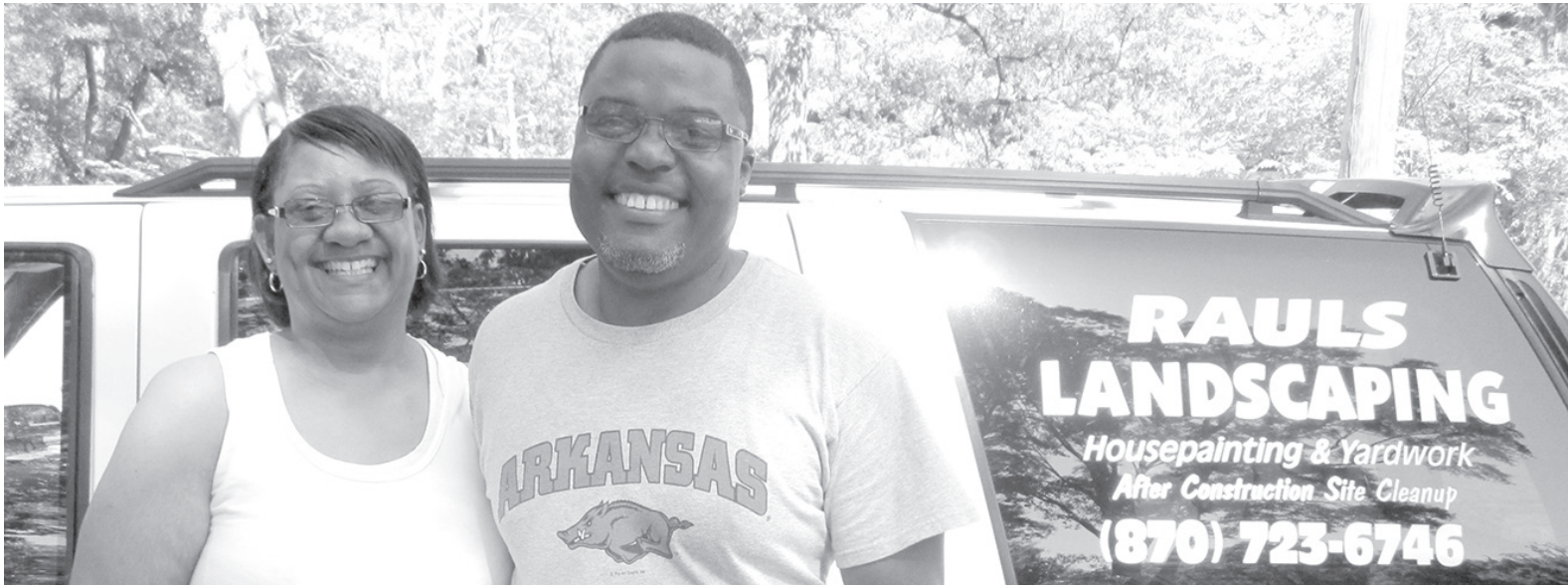


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business to a large business covering the whole state. Melvin has a bit of advice for someone interested in starting their own business. He says, "Don't give up. Keep the business dream alive."

We asked why customers should do business with Rauls

Landscaping, Housepainting and Yardwork, to which he said, "Honesty, integrity, compatible business rates and customer satisfaction."

Rauls Landscaping, Housepainting and Yardwork is located at 314 West Oakland in Monticello and is here to help you with all your lawn,

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