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Printed versions will be mailed May 6 and May 20. Digital versions will be available at www.advancemonticellonian.com April 29, May 13 and May 27.

**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 The 2023 season Market in the Park food donations. We are open to receive donations Tuesday - Wednes- from 8-11 a.m. on Saturday, April day - Thursday from 9:30am-4:30pm. 29, at Monticello Coffee Company. Meats, Canned Fruits & Vegetables, Mac&Cheese, Cereal, Juice and Boxed Meals. 224 South Main, Monticello. TFN

yahoo.com or find us on facebook. TFN

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### April 23-29

National Crime Victim's Week will be observed from April 23 - April 29. The Tenth District Prosecuting Attorney's Office is providing services to Ashley, Bradley, Chicot, Desha, and Drew Counties. For more information concerning the services available to victims, call Isaac Villalobos at 870-367-9898

#### April 29

will begin with a special opening Suggested items: Pasta, Peanut The official opening for Market in The Drew Co. Master Gardeners Butter, Rice, Beans, Soup, Canned the Park will be at 8 a.m. on Saturday, May 6, at the Fosse Park by the railroad on Main Street. For more information contact the Chamber of Commerce at 870-367-6741.

The Drew Central All School Reunion will be held Saturday, May 6. Times will be announced at a later date.

#### May 6

The Caldwell Cemetery Meeting will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 6. at Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church in Winchester. All who are interested are invited to attend.

#### May 7

New Hope Independent Assembly will have a homecoming service at 11 a.m. on Sunday, May 7. There will be a lunch at 12 p.m., and everyone is invited to attend. Guest speaker will be Gerald Lewis.

#### May 7

Drew County Youth NAACP will host a baccalaureate program beginning at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 7 at Morning Star Baptist Church. Cap and gowns must be worn. To submit a name, contact Stacey at 870-224-6368.

#### May 7

Bethlehem Worship Center Church located at 509 U.S. Highwyay 65N in Dumas, invites you to attend their "28th Pastor and Wife anniversary service." This service is to honor Supt. Timothy Jones and his wife, missionary, Linda Jones. The service will be at 3 p.m. on Sunday, May 7. Supt. Authur Terry of New Jerusalem COGIC in Lonoke will give the message. All are welcome to attend.

#### May 13

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

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in Pine Bluff

Hours: Mon-Fri

7:00 am-4:30 pm

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 vard 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.

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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 ications, 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. It's 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

#### **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@

#### April 29

Western Pines subdivision will hold a neighborhood yard sale beginning at 7 a.m., Saturday, April 29. Many houses will be participating and there will be a wide variety of items available for purchase.

#### May 2

Join Sissy's Log Cabin, from 5:30-8:00 p.m. on May 2, for a night of food, fun, and extraordinary jewelry. Enter for a chance to win door prizes.

#### May 4

The Monticello/Drew County National Day of Prayer service will be held at 12 p.m. on the front lawn of the Drew Co. Courthouse. The public is encouraged to attend.

#### May 4

Come tour the Old Piney Cemetery site from 2-5 p.m. on Thursday, May

will hold their annual plant sale from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturday, May 13 at the Foss Park on Main Street. There will be perennials, herbs, vegetables, shrubs, trees, yard decorations, and Mother's Day gifts.

#### May 21

The Effie E. Brooks Civic Club will host their 69th anniversary at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 21 at First Baptist Church, located at 546 N. Bailey St.

#### Mav 28

Pleasant Springs Baptist Church will hold a homecoming service at 10 a.m. on Sunday, May 28. The quest speaker will be Bro. Ben Leonard, and special music will be provided by Bill and Beverly Burchfield. Everyone is invited to attend, and dinner will be after the service. For more information contact Linda Hooks at 870-224-5241.

#### June 11

The 2023 June Dinner Pageant will take place at 5 p.m. on Sunday, June 11. The pageant will be held in the Wilmar Community Center. Registration is \$15 for ages one month to 12 years old and \$20 for ages 13-19. To pay registration and submit an application contact Dionne (870) 723-8284, Sandra (870) 723-8038, Sasha (870) 224-3298, or Seneca (870) 224-2779.

#### **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

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

The Southeast Arkansas Regional Library, Monticello Branch, 114 West at (870) 740-1093. 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 Organiza-

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 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

## DREW CENTRAL **ALL SCHOOL REUNION** Saturday, May 6th, 2023 New Pirate Dining Hall

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## PARENTS OF GRADUATING SENIORS: Send us your child's kindergarten photos!

For a special section in our graduation edition of the newspaper, we are asking parents to send in kindergarten photos of their seniors. Since we already have the senior photos from the schools, we are only needing the kindergarten one. The section will be full of photos from when the graduates were young and readers will try to match up the seniors to their kindergarten selves!

This is totally free at no cost to parents. The deadline to submit your photo is **May 5th.** You can email the photo to graphics1@monticellonews.net or bring in a photo to be scanned. Send resume to patsy.reynolds @expresspros.com

**SEWING MACHINE OPERATORS NEEDED** Experience a plus but will train. \$12/hour.

WELDERS needed in Dumas area Night shift. 20.25/hour with 1.00 shift differential. Must pass visual welding test. Call Patsy.

#### FORKLIFT DRIVERS/LABORERS NEEDED

#### WELDERS, FORKLIFT DRIVERS, UTILITY WORKERS Needed in the Dumas/McGehee area. Great \$\$\$.

LOOKING FOR experienced applicants in the Monticello/McGehee area for jobs in the McGehee/ Dumas/Dermott area. Must be able to work shift positions. Verification of past employment will be completed for employment. Call Patsy.

Mark Your Calendars!

MAY 3<sup>RD</sup> - Express Employment will be taking applications in Monticello at the Workforce Center from 9 A.M. to 12 Noon and in McGehee at UAM from 1 P.M. to 3 P.M.

MAY 10<sup>TH</sup> - Express Employment will be taking applications in Dumas at the Workforce Office from 8 A.M. to 10 A.M. and in McGehee at UAM from 1 P.M. to 3 P.M.

MAY 17<sup>TH</sup> - Express Employment will be taking applications in Monticello at the Workforce Center from 9 A.M. to 12 Noon and in McGehee at UAM from 1 P.M. to 3 P.M.

MAY 24<sup>TH</sup> - Express Employment will be taking applications in **McGehee at UAM from 1 P.M. to 3 P.M.** 

**MAY 31<sup>st</sup>** - Express Employment will be taking applications in **McGehee at UAM from 1 P.M. to 3 P.M.** 

\*Applicants must have I-9 documentation that proves your identity and eligibility to work, and able to pass a drug screen. Come see us and get ready to go to work!!!

2600 S Olive • Pine Bluff, AR 71601 870-535-3330 or 1-888-477-7846 EOE – Equal Opportunity Employer I-9 documentation that proves your identity and eligibility to work in the U.S. is needed.

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#### **BUSINESS ADS**

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and one insertion in the Advance.

FREE CLASSIFIEDS: To individuals for all ads with items priced at \$50 and under. All free ads must be for a single item, and be of a noncommercial nature. Lost and Found ads and Give away ads will also qualify as free ads. All other classified ads will be charged at the rates listed above. Free ads will run for two weeks.

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#### the FTC.

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Post on our Facebook page designed to reunite missing pets in the Monticello/Drew County area with Network. TFN

#### HELP WANTED

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and four insertions in the Advance.

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#### PETS

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#### COMMERCIAL

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## Melvin Rauls focuses on honesty, integrity

#### By: Kristie Nall 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



HERE TO SERVE YOU Melvin Rauls and wife Tracy are pictured above.

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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house/room and yard manicuring, flower beds, etc. Give them a call at 367-7709 today!

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