### **Announcements**

The Cotton Blossom Singers will perform at the following venues: April 28 for the West Jackson Rotary Club

May 1 at Greater Saint Matthew Church in Canton, MS

Dr. Reginald T.W. Nichols, president of The Piney Woods School, will deliver the message on Sunday, May 1, 2011, at the worship services at the school in the **Zilpha Chandler Auditorium**. Services begin at **10:45 a.m.** Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m.

If you would like an announcement read on the WPWS radio station, please send them to Mr. Ronald Jones by email to rjones@pineywoods.org or by calling ext. 251. All announcements must be submitted the day before you would like for them to be read on the air.

- Congratulations to Suto Akupanuko for playing the drums for Mississippi Valley State University during their concert on Sunday, April 10, 2011 at Cade Chapel where the Cotton Blossom Singers performed for the opening of the concert.
- Every minute of every day, someone needs blood. The Piney Woods School and Mississippi Blood Services will host its Spring Blood Drive on Wednesday, April 27, 2011, from 12:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. in the Zilpha Chandler Auditorium. Please sign-up and donate the gift of life.
- Senior proofs are back for student's/parent's review. The students have been asked to mail the proofs home immediately and parents are asked to return them back to the school along with their money by April 29, 2011. Please enclose the exact amount of money in the envelope. Bruckners School Photography will pick the envelope and money up on Monday, May 2, 2011, at PWS. Should you have any questions, you may call Bruckner's School Photography at 601-372-9143 or 601-372-9487.

### Food Services Lunch Menu for the Week\*

Mon., 4/18 Beef Jambalaya Chicken Tenders | Tuna Salad Whole Potatoes Oriental Blend Pineapple Tidbits | Salad Orange

Tues., 4/19 Hamburgers French Fries Broccoli w/Cheese Peaches Chocolate Chip Cookies Milk

Wed., 4/20 Cajun Baked Fish Fried Chicken Garden Rice Squash Salad Roll Fruit Cocktail Peanut Butter Cookie

Thurs., 4/21 Grilled Chicken Beef Steak Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Oatmeal Raisin Cookie Tropical Fruit Milk

Fri., 4/22 Corn Dog Cheese Pizza French Fries Corn on the Cob Tossed Salad Juice Bar

Sat., 4/23 Hot Pockets Tater Wedges Broccoli Salad Fresh Orange Tea

Sun., 4/24 Fried & Baked Chicken Mac & Cheese Turnips & Mustard Greens Candid Yams Cookies Tea

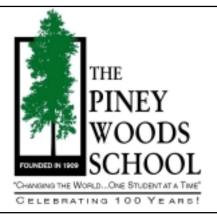
### **Happy Birthday! Staff Birthdays Student Birthdays**



Fredrick Thurman - April 5 Misha Shavers - April 6 Chevenne Bridgewater - April 13 Roslyn Horton - April 15 Samuel Crawford - April 18 Justin McKee - April 19 Octavia Michael - April 19 Jameria Hawkins - April 20

Jah-Gamba Felix - April 22 Tavon Kenton - April 22 Alahjah Franklin - April 25 April 26

Obsidian LaRoche'-Balkum -Khadijah Hubbard - April 29



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## MATH FAIR RESULTS ARE IN!

The Piney Woods School Mathematics Department participated in the Jackson State University Mathematics Fair on April 15, 2011. The team was very successful in all the competitions. The team won the following awards.

**Written Mathematics Examination** Tsion Andine - 1st place (highest score on the test) Tsion Feleke - 2nd place (2nd highest score on the test Hanna Mekonnen - 3rd place (3rd highest score on the test)

Math Bowl Team - 2nd place Israel Abiye, Meron Asnake, Meskerem Etebo, Misrat Seifu

The Bridge Teams' bridges - 2nd & 3rd place Menase Duemo, Kidus Yoseph, Bisrat Glmeskel, Robel Worede, Nahome Tilahun, Abenezer Abejez, Michael Yitna



The Math Trials Team - 2nd place Tsion Andine, Tsion Feleke, Hanna Mekonnen, Eleni Temeche

Math Puzzle Team - 4th Nikki Hill, James Williams

James Williams also won the White Mathematics Award for continuing to do outstanding work in mathematics here.

"I wish to thank each student for their preparation to make this a meaningful moment in the history of our school. I am very proud of the student results of the Written Math Exam, Math Bowl, and Math Trials teams. The skills of our math teachers and the skills of our students in executing problem solving shows that we are doing it well here," quoted Professor Roosevelt Oatis, Math/Science Department Chairperson.

<sup>\*</sup>Menu subject to change.











THE OFFICIAL SPONSOR OF BIRTHDAYS



The Piney Woods School "Changing the World Team" is partnering with McAlister's (Richland, MS) for Relay for Life, in this signature fundraising event for The American Cancer Society, to raise awareness and support cancer research. All you have to do is to have dinner at McAlister's in Richland, MS, on Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, between 5pm and 8pm, and McAlister's will donate 10% of its proceeds from that time in the name of The Piney Woods School and its AmeriCorps Program, The Changing the World Team.



# THE RELAY FOR LIFE MAIN EVENT AT FLORENCE HIGH SCHOOL BEGINS AT 6:00PM ON FRIDAY, APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2011



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### MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

**REGULAR SESSION 2011** 

By: Representatives Weathersby, Smith(27th), Moore

To: Rules

### **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 105**

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE PINEY WOODS HIGH SCHOOL TORNADOES BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING 2010-2011 SEASON AND FOR WINNING THE MISSISSIPPI HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION CLASS 2A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP.

WHEREAS, the Piney Woods High School Tornadoes Boys Basketball Team finished the 2010-2011 season with an outstanding record of 29 wins and three losses; and

WHEREAS, being incredibly well-disciplined young men, the Tornadoes performed extremely well in the 2010-2011 state playoffs; and

WHEREAS, their winning ways continued at the Class 2A State Championship with a victory over the Bruce High School Trojans with a score of 64-48; and

WHEREAS, in becoming the 2011 Mississippi High School Activities Association (MHSAA) Class 2A Basketball State Champions, the Piney Woods High School Tornadoes Boys Basketball Team had to invest hard work above and beyond the level of other teams, beginning this effort in the early fall months and continuing through early March: and

WHEREAS, adding to the trophy case, the Tornadoes have been superbly coached and inspired by Head Coach Lemuel Jones, who has broadened the Tornadoes' knowledge of the game and refined their skills in execution; and

WHEREAS, many of the Tornadoes will remember the lessons learned through playing for Head Coach Lemuel Jones, such as pushing one's body past exhaustion, pain and other obstacles to victory; and

WHEREAS, in their tireless dedication, the Tornadoes have developed a winning, cooperative spirit and a high degree of sportsmanship, and their activities and attitudes reflect great credit upon the individual players and their coach, bringing honor to Piney Woods High School; and

WHEREAS, the state champions roster is as follows: Xavian Rimmer, Kentwan Smith, Durrell McDonald, Jamaal Walker, Phillip Jones, Alijah Franklin, Yvan Ngirabakunzi, Kenneth Taylor, Julian Brown, Tracey Alexander and Quentin Dear; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to recognize and commend excellence, especially when evidenced by the youth of our state, who are its future:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby commend and congratulate the Piney Woods High School Tornadoes Boys Basketball Team and Head Coach Lemuel Jones, for their exceptional 2010-2011 season, for winning the MHSAA Class 2A State Championship and extend best wishes for continued success in all of their future athletic endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be furnished to Piney Woods High School, Head Coach Lemuel Jones and to the members of the Capitol Press Corps.

### Upcoming AmeriCorps Projects

The Changing the World Team –AmeriCorps program will travel to Jackson, MS, for a Teens on the Move Conference on Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, from 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Members will provide assistance with group registration, manage activity booths, lunch distribution and clean up during this project.

The AmeriCorps program will serve during a Community Easter Egg Hunt at Battlefield Park in Jackson, MS, on Friday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.. Corps members will provide set-up for the project, manage games and serve as coaches and mentors with children on the benefits of citizen and community service activities.

Support Cancer Research through the **Relay for Life** on **Tuesday, April 26, 2011**, at **McAllister's Deli** in **Richland, MS**. Make your purchases between **5:00 p.m.** and **8:00 p.m.** and **10%** of your purchase will be donated to cancer research in the name of **The Piney Woods School Changing the World Team**. This will support the main event scheduled for **Friday, April 29, 2011**, from **6:00 p.m.** to **6:00 a.m.** This event is sponsored by the **southern region of Relay for Life**, a fundraising arm of the **American Cancer Society**. Please make your purchase on Tuesday and join us for the main event on Friday.