

WZLD
Laurel, MS
Quarterly Issues/Programs List
First Quarter, 2015
03/30/2015

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WZLD provides its listeners with programming and public service announcements that address issues of concern to our local community. Among the issues determined to be of most concern to the community during the preceding calendar quarter were:

- **ANIMAL SHELTER / PET ADOPTION:** Valerie Rachel discusses animal cruelty legislation in MS Legislature and laws regarding animal rig
- **AREA DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP:** Liz Radley talks about area economic development and new business grants offered by the city of Hat
- **ASSOC RIGHTS CITIZENS:** Kristy Moss talks about children with disabilities and how ARC can provide assistance
- **Black History / Heritage:** LaToya Norman discusses the Black Military Museum and events around Black History Month
- **CHILDRENS HEALTH:** Sarah Price talks about early intervention for children with disabilities and provides center info.
- **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:** John Jones talks about rebuilding efforts for Marion Cty after the 12/23 devastating storms
- **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:** Betsy Rowell talks about economic growth along the Hwy 49 corridor to gulf coast.
- **EDUCATION ISSUES:** Tae Balton describes subjects and courses for persons 50 and older offered by OLLI
- **FAMILY / PERSONAL DEBT:** Vanessa Hinson talks about holiday personal debt and ways to manage future personal debt
- **FARMING AND AGRICULTURE :** Lee Taylor discusses fall gardening and prep for spring gardens and farm grants
- **HEALTH AND FITNESS:** Rebeka Lavigne discusses sleep apnia and time changes that effect sleep patterns
- **HUMAN TRAFFICKING:** Susie Harvill discusses the issue of human trafficking and the awareness month (Jan)

- **HUNGER AND POVERTY:** Vanessa Henson talks about hunger in our local area, food banks and March Awareness
- **INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE:** Mark Green with IRS disucsses April 15 tax deadline and updates on filing taxes
- **LITERACY:** Van Jones talks about Leadership Luncheon with focus on education and MLK Day.
- **NATURE AND THE ENVIRONMENT:** Pat Drackett talks about the Crosby Arboretum and the purpose of the naturr facility
- **ORGAN DONATION:** Chuck Stinson discusses organ recovery, organ donations and laws regarding procedures
- **PUBLIC SAFETY:** Dep Sheriff Ward Calhoun talks about CIT program where officers are trained in crisis intervention
- **SEXUAL ASSAULT:** Mandy Baker with Schafer Rape Crisis Center discusses crimes agains women and counseling
- **SOCIAL SECURITY :** Shawn Mercer continues his talk on Social Security and ACA updates for 2015
- **STATE GOVERNMENT:** Rep Larry Byrd discusses the current legislative session in Jackson from the house floor.
- **TEEN ISSUES:** Dr JD Simpson talks about First Priority's work on high school campuses in the local area

**Section I
LOCAL PROGRAMMING**

Section I lists regularly-scheduled and special programs that represent the station's issue-responsive programming providing the most significant treatment of the issues listed above for the calendar quarter.

ISSUE	PROGRAM / TITLE	DESCRIPTION	GUEST	DATE/TIME	DURATION
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	HOTLINE SEG 1 010415	John Jones talks about rebuilding efforts for Marion Cty after the 12/23 devastating storms	John Jones , Columbia Strong	01/04/2015 07:03 AM	013:07
HUMAN TRAFFICKING	HOTLINE SEG 2 010415	Susie Harvill discusses the issue of human trafficking and the awareness month (Jan)	SUSIE HARVELL ADOC FOR FREED	01/04/2015 07:19 AM	024:07

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SOCIAL SECURITY	HOTLINE SEG 1 011115	Shaun Mercer with SS talks about changes for 2015 in Social Security and ACA	SHAUN MERCER SSA LAUREL	01/11/2015 07:01 AM	019:29
LITERACY	HOTLINE SEG 2 01115	Van Jones talks about Leadership Luncheon with focus on education and MLK Day.	VAN JONES PB 360 Director	01/11/2015 07:23 AM	012:40
EDUCATION ISSUES	HOTLINE SEG 1 011815	Tae Balton describes subjects and courses for persons 50 and older offered by OLLI	Osher Lifelong Learning Inst	01/18/2015 07:02 AM	015:45
FAMILY / PERSONAL DEBT	HOTLINE SEG 2 011815	Vanessa Hinson talks about holiday personal debt and ways to manage future personal debt	FRIENDS FOR FINANCIAL FREEDOM	01/18/2015 07:20 AM	014:19
SOCIAL SECURITY	HOTLINE SEG 1 012515	Shawn Mercer continues his talk on Social Security and ACA updates for 2015	SHAUN MERCER SSA LAUREL	01/25/2015 07:02 AM	019:29
NATURE AND THE ENVIRONMENT	HOTLINE SEG 2 012515	Pat Drackett talks about the Crosby Arboretum and the purpose of the naturr facility	DAN KIBEDAUX - DIR UNITED WA	01/25/2015 07:23 AM	011:23
Black History / Heritage	HOTLINE SEG 1 020115	LaToya Norman discusses the Black Military Museum and events around Black History Month	LaToya Norman - AAMHM	02/01/2015 07:03 AM	015:03
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	HOTLINE SEG 2 020115	Betsy Rowell talks about economic growth along the Hwy 49 corridor to gulf coast.	BETSY ROWELL STONE CTY ADP	02/01/2015 07:20 AM	015:30
STATE GOVERNMENT	HOTLINE SEG 1 020815	Rep Larry Byrd discusses the current legislative session in Jackson from the house floor.	REP. LARRY BYRD PETAL MS	02/08/2015 07:03 AM	018:30
HEALTH AND FITNESS	HOTLINE SEG 2 020815	Eve Bauer discusses Nat Heart Month and the Am Heart Association efforts	EVE BAUER - AM HEART ASSOC	02/08/2015 07:23 AM	011:34
SEXUAL	HOTLINE	Mandy Baker with	Mandy Baker-	02/15/2015	013:08

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ASSAULT	SEG 1 021515	Schafer Rape Crisis Center discusses crimes agains women and counseling	Schafer Rape Ctr	07:03 AM	
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	HOTLINE SEG 2 021515	Mark Green with IRS disucsses April 15 tax deadline and updates on filing taxes	MARK GREEN IRS DEP DIR	02/15/2015 07:18 AM	018:49
CHILDRENS HEALTH	HOTLINE SEG 1 022215	Sarah Price talks about early intervention for children with disablities and provides center info.	SARA PRICE - CHILD CTR DISABL	02/22/2015 07:00 AM	009:25
Black History / Heritage	HOTLINE SEG 2 022215	Glenda Funchess talks about Black History Month and events throughout the remainder of the month	GLENDA FUNCHESS ATTORNEY	02/22/2015 07:12 AM	021:00
AREA DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP	HOTLINE Seg. 1 030115	Liz Radley talks about area economic development and new business grants offered by the city of Hat	Liz Radley - Area Devel Partn	03/01/2015 07:04 AM	014:49
FARMING AND AGRICULTURE	HOTLINE Seg. 2 030115	Lee Taylor discusses fall gardening and prep for spring gardens and farm grants	LEE TAYLOR - MS COOP EXT SRVC	03/01/2015 07:21 AM	016:00
PUBLIC SAFETY	HOTLINE SEG 1 030815	Dep Sheriff Ward Calhoun talks about CIT program where officers are trained in crisis intervention	Ward Calhoun - Dep Sheriff	03/08/2015 07:00 AM	021:41
ASSOC RIGHTS CITIZENS	HOTLINE SEG 2 030815	Kristy Moss talks about children with disablities and how ARC can provide assistance	Kristy Moss - Parent	03/08/2015 07:24 AM	010:45
HUNGER AND POVERTY	HOTLINE SEG 1 031515	Vanessa Henson talks about hunger in our local area, food banks and March Awareness	VANESSA HENSON - CHRISTIAN SR	03/15/2015 07:04 AM	015:17
HEALTH AND FITNESS	HOTLINE SEG 2 031515	Rebeka Lavigne discusses sleep apnia and time changes that effect sleep patterns	Rebeka Lavigne - Sleep Spclst	03/15/2015 07:21 AM	014:49

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ANIMAL SHELTER / PET ADOPTION	HOTLINE SEG 1 032215	Valerie Rachel discusses animal cruelty legislation in MS Legislature and laws regarding animal rig	VALERIE RACHEL SPAS	03/22/2015 07:04 AM	013:35
ORGAN DONATION	HOTLINE SEG 2 32215	Chuck Stinson discusses organ recovery, organ donations and laws regarding procedures	Chuck Stinson - MORA	03/22/2015 07:19 AM	019:26
TEEN ISSUES	HOTLINE SEG 1 032915	Dr JD Simpson talks about First Priority's work on high school campuses in the local area	Dr J D Simpson - First Priori	03/29/2015 07:02 AM	015:27
ASSOC RIGHTS CITIZENS	HOTLINE SEG 2 032915	Kristy Gould talks about ARC and how it helps local special needs children and adults in the local	Kristy Gould - H'burg Clinic	03/29/2015 07:19 AM	016:47

**Section II
NETWORK (and/or SYNDICATED) PROGRAMMING**

Section II lists the network-provided (and/or syndicated) programming that the station broadcast during the preceding calendar quarter that addresses community issues.

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RANDY BELL NEWS 6A-10A MON-FRI 60 MINUTES PER WEEK

WDAM WEATHER 6A-7P MON-FRI 60 MINUTES PER WEEK

**Section III
PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Section III lists public service announcements that the station broadcast during the preceding calendar quarter that address community issues.

ISSUE	ORGANIZATION OR TITLE	DURATION	RUNS
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BULLYING	AD COUNCIL	000:30	009
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ISSUE	ORGANIZATION OR TITLE	DURATION	RUNS
BULLYING	AD COUNCIL	001:00	002
CHILD SAFETY	NAT HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY AD	000:15	002
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	United Way	001:00	010
DISASTER RELIEF	COLUMBIA STRONG	000:31	003
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS	FEMA	000:15	005
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES	GOVERNOR'S JOB FAIR NETWORK	000:31	004
ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES	US FOREST SERVICE	001:00	003
HEALTH AND FITNESS	American Heart Association	000:29	001
HEALTH AND FITNESS	Greater Than Aids PA	000:31	001
HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION	MS H S A A	000:30	014
LITERACY	AD COUNCIL	001:00	002
LITERACY	United Way	001:00	005
MILITARY AND VETERANS	Air Force Reserve	000:30	002
MILITARY AND VETERANS	Air Force Reserve	001:00	006
MILITARY AND VETERANS	SELECTIVE SERVICE ADMINISTRAT	000:30	001
MILITARY AND VETERANS	SELECTIVE SERVICE ADMINISTRAT	001:00	004
MILITARY AND VETERANS	SHOW YOUR STRIPES	000:30	009
MILITARY AND VETERANS	SHOW YOUR STRIPES	000:31	022
NATIONAL CRIME PREVENTION COU	GUN SAFETY - AD COUNCIL	001:00	008
NATURE AND THE ENVIRONMENT	US FOREST SERVICE	000:15	004
PARENTING	AD COUNCIL	001:00	003
PUBLIC SAFETY	MS DEPT PUBLIC SAFETY	000:15	002
PUBLIC SAFETY	PROPANE EDUCATION RESEARCH CO	000:30	002
TRAVEL SAFETY	AD COUNCIL	000:30	007

ALSO, ATTACHED ARE COMMUNITY EVENTS THAT WERE ANNOUNCED "LIVE"
ON THE DAYS PRECEDING THE DAY/TIME OF THE EVENT

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****If your school, civic group or non-profit needs publicity- send us the info today!****

If you or someone you know has been impacted by the tornadoes, please encourage them to call the **Red Cross at 601-582-8151** or come to the **Woodlawn Church** at 1452 Highway 98 East, Columbia. Red Cross workers can connect you with community resources that can help your family begin to recover. If you just need to speak with someone, they have trained workers ready to assist. Red Cross caseworkers are in the community meeting with residents today. If you need disaster assistance, please call 601-582-8151 to receive help or come to the Woodlawn Church.

(Jan. 10-19): START YOUR PET'S YEAR RIGHT!

GET YOUR MALE DOG OR CAT FIXED FOR JUST \$20 THIS JANUARY BECAUSE UNPLANNED LITTERS CREATE MILLIONS OF PETS WITH NO PLACE TO CALL HOME. CALL SOUTHERN PINES SPAY & NEUTER CLINIC AT 601-544-5678. FUNDED BY PETSMAART CHARITIES.

(Jan. 19-Mar) PRCC free computer classes in HBG

Pearl River Community College is offering **free computer classes** in Hattiesburg. The courses will meet from 6 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Lowery A. Woodall Advanced Technology Center on Sullivan Drive. Courses include: Word Level 1, Excel Level 1 and PowerPoint Level 1. Call 601-336-2240 to register.

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(Flu season is here.) But there's still time to consider getting a flu shot to help reduce your chances of catching this season's flu. According to the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, the flu shot is the best protection against contracting the flu. The cost of a flu shot is often covered by your health plan. Check your benefits documents and with your health plan and schedule an appointment today by calling your physician, or visiting your local pharmacy or convenience care clinic. Many employers also offer flu shot clinics in the workplace. **For more information visit flu.gov**

(One Harvest grocery boxes

Christian Services is a host site for One Harvest, a ministry/program that makes it possible for families to save 35% to 50% on weekly food costs with no age or income qualifications to meet. Orders may be placed at the CSI office with cash, check, or EBT card, through Thursday March 6th. Boxes may also be ordered online at www.oneharvest.com using a credit or debit card, through Sunday, the 9th. Pick up day is the 15th.

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(Sat. 2/21) HBG police vs firemen to benefit Habitat

Hattiesburg Hometown Hero Flag Football Face Off. This event will be taking the place of our annual Hoops for Habitat basketball game. The event will be Saturday February 21st from 11am until 3pm at The Rock at Southern Miss. The Face-off will be a flag football game between a few local organizations with the main event being **Hattiesburg Fire Department vs Hattiesburg Police Department**. The goal of this event is to raise funds for Hattiesburg Area Habitat for Humanity and to get the community more involved in helping better the Hattiesburg area. We will have two scrimmage games prior to the main event. Tickets are \$10 for adults. For more ways to help, contact Laine at the Habitat office at 6015824663 or email lburnett@hattiesburghabitat.org

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NEW ORLEANS

****FAT TUESDAY IS FEB. 17TH****

Krewe du Vieux SAT. Jan. 31, 6:30 p.m. Parade start: Royal St. at Franklin Ave.

Krewe Delusion SAT. Jan. 31, 7:15 p.m. Parade start: 42 Architect St.

Krewe of Cleopatra FRI. Feb. 6, 6 p.m. Parade start: Magazine St. at Jefferson

Krewe of Pontchartrain SAT.Feb. 7, 1 p.m. Parade start: Napoleon Ave @ Magazine

Krewe of King Arthur SUN. Feb. 8, 1 p.m. Parade start: Magazine @ Jefferson

Mystic Krewe of Barkus SUN. Feb. 8, 2 p.m. Parade start: Louis Armstrong Park
Expect to see "Bark-2 D-2," canine light sabers, and plenty of puns at the parade, which bears the theme."Bark Wars: Return of the K-9."

Krewe of Morpheus FRI. Feb. 13, 7 p.m. Parade start: Magazine at Jefferson Ave.

Krewe of Endymion SAT. Feb. 14, 4:15 p.m. Orleans Avenue at City Park Avenue.

Krewe of Bacchus SUN. Feb. 15, 5:15 p.m. Parade start: Napoleon Ave.

Krewe of Orpheus MON. Feb. 16, 6 p.m. Parade start: Napoleon Ave.

Rex TUES. Feb. 17, 10 a.m. Parade start: Napoleon Ave. at S. Claiborne Ave.

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Krewe of Excalibur FRI.Feb. 6, 7 p.m. Parade start: El Dorado at Houma blvd

*****HATTIESBURG'S "CAERUS" PARADE**
IS SATURDAY FEB. 7TH AT 11AM**

COAST PARADES:

15TH ANNUAL BILOXI CHILDREN'S MARDI GRAS WALKING PARADE

The Biloxi Children's Mardi Gras Walking Parade will take place on Saturday, February 7, 2015 at 10:00 am.

44TH ANNUAL CARNIVAL ASSOCIATION OF LONG BEACH MARDI GRAS PARADE

Saturday, February 7 6pm

7TH ANNUAL OCEAN SPRINGS CARNIVAL ASSOCIATION MARDI GRAS NIGHT PARADE

Friday February 13 7pm

45TH ANNUAL KREWE OF GEMINI MARDI GRAS DAY PARADE

Saturday February 14 2pm Parade route through downtown Gulfport!

JACKSON COUNTY CARNIVAL ASSOCIATION MARDI GRAS PARADE

Saturday February 14 1pm- Pascagoula

85TH ANNUAL PASS CHRISTIAN MARDI GRAS PARADE

Sunday February 15 noon

45TH ANNUAL KREWE OF GEMINI MARDI GRAS NIGHT PARADE

Tuesday February 17 5:30pm downtown Gulfport

GULF COAST CARNIVAL ASSOCIATION MARDI GRAS PARADE

Tuesday February 17 1pm- downtown Biloxi This MUST DO EVENT is a 107 year old tradition

The Laurel Jones County Library System and the AARP Foundation have partnered again this year to provide free tax preparation and e-filing to tax payers with low and moderate incomes, with special attention to those 60 and older.

The AARP Foundation Tax-Aide is staffed by trained volunteers. No appointment is necessary. All clients will be seen on a FIRST COME – FIRST SERVED basis. The Laurel Jones County Library Tax-Aide site will be open on the following Mondays only from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. - **February 9 & 23**, March 9 & 23, and April 6, 2015.

Feb 21st, "Heart and Sole 5K run/walk" to benefit Mississippi Nurses' Association District 7 which represents nurses in Covington, Forrest, Jeff Davis, Lamar, Marion, and Perry counties. Registration at 8AM and The race will begin at 9AM at the Gateway to the Longleaf Trace. More information can be found at pinebeltpacers.org or call 601-606-9812.

The McDavid and Nall Petal American Legion Post 146 is hosting an open house **February 21**, 2015 from 10am-2pm at 791 S. Main Street. They are inviting all local Veterans and surrounding County Service Officers to attend. For more information please contact Post Service Officer Rex Hasty at 601-658-2048.

MAGNOLIA CRUISERS present "CRUISING FOR A WISH" 16th ANNUAL SPRING CAR SHOW, **Saturday March 28th** at South Central Place, 15th Ave. in Laurel. PREREGISTRATION 8am-10:30am, AWARDS AT 2PM. DOORPRIZES *50-50 DRAWING *GAMES *FOOD & DRINK *DJ. CONTACT: DANNY SHOWS 601-270-7723 OR danny@4-dsolutions.com. DRAWING FOR STAINLESS STEEL BBQ GRILL WITH PROCEEDS GOING TO "MAKE A WISH FOUNDATION OF MISSISSIPPI"

The Jones County Junior College golf team features only one returning player from last year. Petal sophomore Carlton Reid will be joined by five freshmen this spring. Jacob Finley of Richton, Garrett Garcia of Long Beach, Blake Turner of Greene County and Michael McCullum and Josh Weatherford, both of Petal, round out the roster. JCJC, coached by Jeff Jennings, will have the honor of hosting the Region 23 Tournament this year at the Laurel Country Club **April 26-27**. To view the team roster and schedule, go to www.jcjcathletics.com.

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Sherril will be announcer -

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(Sat. 3/28) Magnolia Cruisers Make-a-Wish car show

MAGNOLIA CRUISERS present "Cruising for a Wish" 16th Annual spring car show, Saturday March 28th at South Central Place, 15th Ave. in Laurel. Preregistration 8am-10:30am, Awards AT 2PM. Door prizes *50-50 drawing *games *food & drink *DJ. CONTACT: Danny Shows 601-270-7723 OR danny@4-dsolutions.com. Drawing for stainless steel BBQ grill with proceeds going to Make-a-Wish Foundation of Mississippi.

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(FRI. 3/6) Krewe of Saint Fabian Glow to Grow 5k, 1 Mile Fun Run, and Fish Fry

Krewe of Saint Fabian Glow to Grow 5k, 1 Mile Fun Run, and Fish Fry is Friday, March 6; Festivities being at 6:15 PM and Race begins at 7:15 PM. Come enjoy a fun night out with your family. We will have music, face paint for the kids (and adults if they wish), fried fish plates including hush puppies, cole slaw, and pound cake, a 5k race, and a 1 Mile Fun Run. Bring your glow sticks, wear blacklight reactive clothing, and come have loads of fun. Visit www.saintfabian.com for more information!

(fri-sun. 3/6-8) ENCORE PERFORMING ARTS presents ALICE IN WONDERLAND JR.

Take a magical trip down the rabbit hole and join Encore Performing Arts Theatre March 6-8, as they present their season opener "Alice in Wonderland, Jr.". Showtimes will be 7:30pm on March 6 and 7 and a 2pm matinee on March 8 at Northeast Jones High School Fine Arts Auditorium. Tickets may be purchased at the door and is general seating. Prices are \$5 for children ages 3-9 and \$10 for ages 10 to adult. For more information please contact Juna Broome at 601.297.5157 or email dancediva2606@comcast.net.

(Sat. 3/14) St. Thomas Irish Italian Festival & parade

The Annual St. Thomas Irish Italian Festival and parade is Saturday March 14th! The parade starts at 10:30am at Hillcrest Dorm on the frontage road at USM and travels 4th street to the church, across from Reed Green. Float entries are being accepted at St. Thomas. Traditional mass begins at 4pm and the festival is at 5pm. For more info, call the church 601-264-5192.

(fri-Sun. 3/20-22) Just Over the Rainbow Theatre presents "Dearly Departed"

Just Over the Rainbow Theatre presents "Dearly Departed", a Southern comedy about a funeral, directed by Sherri Marengo. Friday-Sunday, March 20-22 in The Playhouse at HBG High school. Tickets are \$12 general admission, reservations' line open 24 hours at 601-583-7778. For complete details, times and cast, see the facebook page for Just Over.

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(THURS. 3/26) Laurel declares Animal Cruelty Prevention Month

On **Thursday, March 26th**, at 11:00AM, at Laurel City Hall, Mayor Johnny Magee will present a proclamation declaring April as Animal Cruelty Prevention Month. Representatives from Southern Cross Animal Rescue, the Animal Rescue League, and the City's Animal Control Department are scheduled to accept the proclamation on behalf of a large group of citizens who plan to attend the ceremony.

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(Fri. 4/3) Jr. Hereford Assn. steak benefit

Mississippi Junior Hereford Association 2nd Annual Steak Cook-out, **Friday April 3**, King CPA, 206 E Central Ave, Petal, MS 39465. Ribeye Steak, Baked Potato, Roll and Dessert for \$13.00. The steaks are between 10 and 12 oz. They are marinated for 12 hours before grilling. This event helps send kids from the Mississippi Junior Hereford Association to the Junior National Hereford Exposition during the summer. Call Sharon King at 601-441-0953 or Jacque Dearman at 601-517-8170.

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