

EVENTS ON THE RADAR & VICTIM SERVICES UPDATES

July 2019



Towaliga Judicial Circuit Highlights

PACK YOUR BACKPACKS...LAMAR COUNTY FINE ARTS CENTER, 126 BURNETTE ROAD, BARNESVILLE

Bookbags and school supplies are available for students currently enrolled in the Lamar County School System at the Lamar County Fine Arts Center on July 30th from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. while supplies last. Sponsored by Lamar County Family Connection Collaborative. Contact Kellie Mercer at 678-572-8286 lamar.gafcp.org

BUTTS COUNTY BACK TO SCHOOL BASH...

Butts County residents only- fun for the entire family at the Department of Leisure Services, 576 Ernest Biles Dr., Jackson on July 20th from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Free gently used clothing for 8-12 kiddos; food fun games, school supplies. Must provide two proofs of residency. Child must be present.

BUTTS COUNTY NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICE CENTER

The Center currently has some funds for utility, rent or mortgage assistance upon proof of a temporary unforeseen and uncontrollable emergency creating the need for assistance. Call 1-866-774-2435 for more info and to schedule appointments.

HUNTER'S FORSYTH FRUITSTAND

If you've never visited the young Hunter Benson's fruit & vege stand at the Shell Station on same side of road as Shoney's at Highway 18 & I-75 (Exit 185), plan to make a stop. Hunter, a rising high school senior, is an outstanding young man and entrepreneur who is saving his way to college and has been at it for several years. He has several individuals working for his growing business. Visit Forsyth Fruit Stand today (follow on Instagram @forsyth.produce).

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Circuit Calendar

July News

*Annual Reports for Child Abuse Protocol Committees & Child Fatality Reviews are due & submitted each July. We are thankful for the rejuvenation of these committees with our community partners and look forward to the continued collaboration to provide the best services we can to children in our communities. (Lamar- monthly MDT meetings held 4th Thursday of each month- DFCS at noon; Butts- quarterly MDT meetings beginning this fall; Monroe MDT meetings held the 2nd Wednesday of each month at noon)

*Quarterly statistical and financial reports for grant funding due for April-June 2019.

*Wed., 7/10- Monroe County MDT Meeting (July Family Connection Meetings cancelled circuitwide)

*Court, Court, Court...In addition to the usual hearing days, juvenile court, added days in magistrate and probate courts, etc..., we also have Butts County Grand Jury 7/8 & 7/9 & Lamar County Trials – week of 7/15. **Thank you to every staff member** throughout the circuit for your dedicated teamwork to make it all happen every day.

*Week of 7/22

Summer Conference for ADAs & Investigators

NOVA Conference for Advocates (Bonita, Allison & Katelyn)

Victim Services Corner: Role of Our Advocates summarized--In person & telephone direct support/information regarding notification, victims' rights & referral services; provide support to ADAs, office staff and our community partners regarding victim services, mail-outs to every victim required information about the court system, victim rights and services, and case status. All services have to be recorded in Tracker for grant purposes.

THANK YOU!!

Thank you for your contributions to the Smart Lunch Smart Kid program. The McEacherns at Pathway Family Church were grateful for the contributions of bread, oatmeal pies, and water for the 60 lunches they pack every week. The program continues through the first couple of weeks during August throughout Butts County.

HAPPY & SAFE 4TH OF JULY TO EACH OF YOU! We are thankful for our freedom & independence and those who fought to gain & keep it!