

AmeriCorps Ready For Another Year



By Gwen Woodson
AmeriCorps Director

Volunteer Mississippi awarded AmeriCorps State grants to twelve

organizations across the state earlier this month with Grenada School District as one of the grant recipients. GSD will use grant funds to provide twenty-nine AmeriCorps members to tutor over 1000 K-8 students in reading and math within the Grenada Elementary and Middle Schools, participate in local and national days of service in the Grenada community, and reinforce tutoring through reading initiatives at the local library.

The Grenada School District initiative is to target students with remedial needs in math and reading, enabling students to make impressive academic advances through one-on-one tutoring services. The program was established in 2008 with over 7,000 students receiving services from the program. "I salute the Grenada School District for this visionary project that has a transforming impact on the students," said Gwen Woodson, Director of Grenada School District's AmeriCorps Program. "Through Operation AmeriCorps, the members will improve over 1000 at-risk students' academic achievement, as well as to help move our community forward."

AmeriCorps has selected our new team and is geared up and ready for the 2015-2016 year. The members are:

GES K-1
Masheavia Booker
Sherri Knight

Raven Brady
Diamond Lemon
Markitta Chamblee
Sheila Noel
Sarah Conley
Malise Reynolds
Lesleigh Dukes
Shonqilla Small

GES K-2-3
Markita Booker
Myra Hill
Charry Brown
Nichole Hubbard
Debbie Cunningham
Bethany Montgomery
Michele Harris
Lashawn Perryman
Larry Hervey
Kizzy Smith

GUES
Shay Hardiman
Shawanda Spearman
April Lane
LaTaja Wallace
Devetris Pratt

GMS
Shavonne Bradley
Freddie Watt
Tamela Taylor
Rashonda Wiggins

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Grenada Marching Band Enjoys Successful Camp



(l to r) Iyonna Harges, Nicole Watts, Klare McMechan, and Collin Barker perfect the music and steps during band camp.

By Steven Hugley
Band Director

On July 31st the Grenada High School Marching Band wrapped up their 2015 Band Camp to a packed audience. The community showed great support for the marching band by filling all parking lots surrounding the band practice field. This year the band accomplished learning nearly half of their entire 2015 marching production in just five days in some of the most oppressive heat in recent memory.

The band was very driven in learning their new marching production titled "Curiosity's Curse." The production concept

this year is derived from a combination of the Greek myth Pandora's Box as well as the creation account and the fall of man found in the book of Genesis.

During camp the ensemble showed how excited they were by quickly learning the drill and memorizing their music. The band staff is thrilled with the work ethic of the students. The band directors thank the students, GHS administration, band boosters, and the overflow of support shown by the community. The band can be seen at every football game and at the MHSAA MBA State Marching Evaluations held at Grenada High School on October 10th.

GSD Board Welcomes New Member



By Galen Holley
GSD Reporter

The newest member of the Grenada School Board said she's focused and committed to serving students.

Gale Moore was appointed last month to fulfill the unexpired term of District One Board Member Tim LeClair, who stepped aside after serving on the board for more than a decade.

"I'm a strong proponent and a firm believer in the value of public education,"

said Moore, who has two children who graduated from Grenada High School and moved on to successful, professional careers.

Moore works as a certified nurse midwife, and said that caring for and nurturing the lives of children is central in her life.

"I've had such a positive experience with public education and, particularly with the Grenada Public School District, that I embrace the opportunity to serve," said Moore, who will officially seek election to the seat in November.

Superintendent Dr. David Daigneault said that while LeClair's dedication and experience will be missed, he's confident that Moore is up to the challenge and will serve the district well.

"We extend our sincerest thanks to Tim for his years of dedicated service to our students and parents, and we welcome Gale, and the many gifts she brings, as an important new member of our board," said Daigneault. "We're looking forward to a long and fruitful working relationship with her and a great school year," he said.

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