



# Thank You

## PARTNERS IN EDUCATION



GMS recently held a Thanksgiving luncheon to thank their Partners in Education members. (Front, l to r) Criss Office - Kelley Smith and Julia Criss Tarrt; GLMC - (sitting) Beverly Hoop, Claudette Hathcock and (standing far right) Scott Whittemore; (back, l to r) BancorpSouth - Beverly Albritton and Wendy Timbs; Renasant Bank - Fran Harper and Terry Lane.

# Lions Club Peace Poster Contest Winner



Photo left

Grenada Lions Member Pamela Hubbard (left), and GMS Art Instructor Rene Branson (right), congratulate GMS student Lilli Bailey (center) for her winning entry in the 29th Lions International Lions Peace Poster Contest.

By Pamela Hubbard  
Grenada Lions Member

The Grenada School District Middle School Art Classes under the direction of Rene Branson recently participated in the 29th Annual Lions International Lions Peace Poster Contest.

The winner, 13-year old Lilli Bailey, was awarded a \$25 check for the 1st prize on the local level contest by the Grenada Lions Club. Twenty GSD art students entered imaginative posters to fit the theme "A Celebration of Peace." Lilli's poster will next be judged in district, then multi district levels. The winning poster from that group of posters

within the United States will then be sent to international level for final judging.

Artists of posters advancing to the final international judging will be recognized as follows: 23 Merit Award Winners will each receive a cash award of \$500; a final Grand Prize Winner will receive a cash award of \$5,000, an engraved plaque, and a trip to the awards ceremony.

The Lions Clubs International is the largest service club worldwide organization, fulfilling their motto, "We Serve." Their main mandate for service is sight and hearing, but they also address disaster relief, youth issues like reading, and any needs of each individual community.

# GCTC Students Tour Industries



Photo left

Diamond Steele (left) learns to make a sushi roll from Whole Foods Sushi Chef Lee Mooreman.



Automotive Service and Carpentry students toured the Nissan plant. (kneeling l to r) Blake Gatlin, Peyton Estes, Alex Ferguson, (standing l to r) Chris Kyzar, Deandre Herron, Cade Whitfield, Billy Logan, Josh Allen, Brayton Howell, Daniel Fike, Alex Shepherd, Devonne Wilson, Evan Hobson, Gage Rokasky, Alex Crouch, Collin Brown, and Seth Butler

By Kaye Dorroh and Meg Newcomb  
Student Services Coordinators

Culinary Arts students toured Whole Foods Market in Jackson, Mississippi, on November 3 learning how each department of the market functions and about potential careers in the food industry. Touring through the store, they tasted samples of organic apples and oranges from the Produce Department, gouda cheese at three different ages from the Cheese Department, and peanut butter expressed from actual peanuts by Prepared Foods Team Leader Colley Burns.

"Hey look! Is that an octopus?! Sure is! Look at it!" says Culinary Arts student Jakiya Robinson, as they all peered over the fresh fish and seafood in the Seafood Department. Burns guided the tour through several of the departments explaining how buyers verify the growing and harvesting conditions of each product to ensure top quality for their customers. He also spoke to the students about procedures to become a chef and about the many different career options related to the food industry.

After trying several food items from the prepared foods bar for lunch, the students interacted with Sushi Chef Lee Mooreman who demonstrated how to roll up sushi as he described the many areas in which a chef may work. Following the demonstration, Culinary students Diamond Steele and Shelby Burchfield, rolled their own sushi as did their instructor, Mrs. Lindsey Kelly.

On November 9, Automotive Service and Carpentry students, along with their instructors Ricky Jones and Lamar Pitcock, toured the Nissan Vehicle Assembly Plant, a 4.2 million square foot facility located in Canton, Mississippi. Students were amazed to see how a coil

of raw steel can be rolled out, cut, and pressed into forms for the body parts of the vehicle and then assembled to make the final product.

On one part of the tour, they saw robots quickly welding the parts together as the parts moved along a conveyor belt through the facility. Some employees were working on individual parts as others were taking those parts and assembling the vehicle.

Nissan employs 6400 people and assembles quality, award-winning cars, trucks, crossovers, and SUVs. Students learned about career opportunities including industrial maintenance, logistics, production, engineering and management, as well as, the value of a good work ethic.

Holmes Community College Counselor Tracy Herring, and Recruiter Cynthia Abel provided information about college programs for students at the GCTC on November 10. Students from the eight GCTC programs gathered pamphlets and enrollment information and interacted with the Holmes representatives about programs available at the college.

Student Services Coordinators Mrs. Meg Newcomb and Mrs. Kaye Dorroh, enjoy collaborating with the instructors to set up and attend these events, as well as, providing support and encouragement for the students in these programs. Involvement in competitions and field trips allows students to become inspired to set goals for further developing their skill sets so that they may grow into productive young adults choosing a career in which they are satisfied.

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