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Grillin' contest courts entries

Saturday, May 15, Chicken Wing Grillers from around the area will have an opportunity to vie for the title of the best chicken wing grillers at the annual Grillin' and Chillin' Chicken Wing Cookoff.

The event will be held at the corner of Water Street and Pearl Street at noon in conjunction with Square Affair.

Around 2 p.m. the public will be able to sample wings.

To enter the cookoff, contestants should contact Carthage Main Street at carthagemainstre@bellsouth.net or telephone 601-955-9324.

The first place winner will receive \$500.

Meanwhile, Carthage Main Street and participating local businesses are still offering "Be Square - Go Local" coupon booklets at all Main Street events.

Coupons are good through May 31.

Friday, May 21, Carthage Main Street will sponsor a movie in The Sasser Park.

Patrons should bring lawn chairs to enjoy a night out with family.



Square Affair tees go on sale

Square Affair tee shirts are available at the Leake County Chamber of Commerce office.

Cheryl Dowell, of Carthage, designed the shirts, which are being presold.

Sizes on hand include youth medium, youth large, adult small, medium, large, extra large and XXL.

Cost of the shirts before the Saturday, May 16, Square Affair are youth sizes to adult large, \$13; adult XL and XXL, \$16.

Prices on Saturday, May 15, will increase to \$15 for youth up to adult large. Extra large and XXL will be \$18.

Weather

	High	Low	Rain
Thursday	NA	NA	NA
Friday	80	55	0
Saturday	78	66	.20
Sunday	78	74	1.62
Monday	73	68	1.60
Tuesday	87	53	0
Wednesday	87	54	0

City beefs up ordinances

□ Ban on pit bulls kicks in, enforcement urged

Even as the Carthage Board of Aldermen adopted two new ordinances, Mayor Jimmy Wallace was pushing hard for enforcement of a newly effective statute.

City fathers Monday evening approved plans for two new ordinances, one to ban weapons from city parks and the others to deal with solid waste left on the sides of city streets.

However, Wallace emphasized his immediate concern was a new ordinance which had only just taken effect dealing with pit bulls within the city limits.

"Today's the day," he told aldermen. "If there's anybody with this breed of dog on their property, we're now able to go in

there and get it."

The ordinance applies to pit bulls and pit bull mixes.

He said the ordinance applied to dogs in the city, even if the pit bulls were chained, fenced or housed in some shelter.

Seized dogs, Wallace said, would be taken to a kennel and kept for a prescribed period of time.

For the owner to reclaim the dog, and then take it outside the city limits, he would have to pay kennel fees and costs, plus fines.

The mayor urged anyone with concerns about a pit bull in the city to call authorities.

"We will take any kind of reports that we can," Wallace said.

Meanwhile, aldermen endorsed the plan in principal to draw up an ordinance to ban weapons within the city parks.

"It's my opinion that we don't need any weapons in city parks," the mayor said.

"We had an occurrence about one of the parks a couple of weeks ago where someone had weapons, one on his person and a couple more on the seat of a car."

Alan Rhea, board counsel, said part of the concern about weapons was covered with existing law.

"Concealed weapons are already

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Have a seat

As Kenneth Thames, right, keeps watch, inmates from the Leake County Regional Correctional Facility install seating in the largely refurbished auditorium in the old elementary school on Van Buren Street in Carthage, inching the facility closer to use for the third annual Rock and Roll for Restoration concert at the school.

Old school revs up for concert

With seating in new places and cool breezes guaranteed, the old elementary school on Van Buren Street in Carthage will host visitors in style Friday, May 14.

The Leake County Foundation has announced plans for the third annual Rock and Roll for Restoration, featuring a non-rock and roll band.

Uncle Pug's Syrup Mill Band, proficiandos in bluegrass music, will take the stage for two hours that evening in

the warm-up act for the Saturday, May 15, running of Square Affair in downtown Carthage.

The band is made up primarily of Leake County talent.

The evening's activities will also include a grilled chicken dinner served between 4:30 and 6 p.m.

Tickets may be purchased in advance for \$5 a plate.

Purchases may be made at the Leake

County Chamber of Commerce, from foundation board members or by telephoning 601-678-5918.

Proceeds from Rock and Roll for Restoration will go toward renovation efforts at the old school and its grounds.

Admission to the concert will be free, though donations will be requested.

The concert at 5:30 p.m. will be the

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Hospital numbers hold solid

Leake Memorial Hospital weather the initial issues of losing a doctor and a clinic in Walnut Grove and work on future options continues.

Hospital Administrator Robert Faulkner told Leake County supervisors Monday there was good news for the Carthage health care facility.

"Let me tell you some good news from our point of view," he opened. "We had a pretty darn good month in April.

"All of our docs have really stepped up."

Census has been strong, he said with

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Air cavalry arrives

Two ambulances await as a helicopter from the University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson swoops down onto Highway 25N to

pick up a victim of a two-vehicle crash on County Line Road for transport back to the Jackson hospital Friday morning.