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The Council of Community Organizations of Oktibbeha County Inc. (COCO) held its 17th Annual Awards Program. Thanks was given to the many contributors as well as announcing the winners of the 2nd annual David Rogers Memorial Scholarship Award. The program included the presentation of donors in the Gold, Silver, Bronze and Brick award and the David Rogers Memorial Scholarships winners.

Two scholarships to deserving students; Mr. Jeremy Moore, and Miss. Taylor Jones both received a \$500.00 scholarship to attend the college/university of their choice. Jeremy Moore is a 2012 graduate of Aberdeen High School and plans to attend the University of Southern Mississippi. Taylor Jones is a 2012 graduate of West Lowndes High School and plans to attend Itawamba Community College.

The evening was filled with entertainment by Mrs. Viola Johnson, Rev. Ross and Mrs. Crawford Mr. Leonard Ware, Ms. Marilyn Trainer, Mrs. Lena Smith and many other. Special thanks to all who participated and joyfully committed their time and hard work for the cause, and a special thanks to all individuals who were on the program and helped make the night's event a success. "Without the many individuals who help support COCO we would not be able to reach as many people as we do. CO-CO would like to express special thanks to Mind Means ported the many people who have suplified 🔊 well and contributed monetarily as as through their time and effort S in order to help continue to make COCO a success for over a quarter of a century," savs President Rogers.

Recent Events At COCO

January

- **21** Brown Choir celebration was inadvertently left off the 1st quarter newsletter of events. Our apologies to Mr. Johnnie Brown.
- 28 Veteran Mobile Rural Heath Outreach Service day activities was inadvertently left of the 1st quarter newsletter. Our apologies to Oktibbeha County Veteran Service officer, Melvin Rogers.

April

- 13 Birthday Celebration for Mrs. Shirley Boyd was held at the Center at 7:00 p.m. Family and friends gathered to congratulate and wish her well.
- 21 ABC tutoring was held and students did journal writing and worked on mathematics and reading activities. The ABC Tomorrow Youth Council held a meeting to discuss upcoming events.
- **28** COCO held its regular monthly meeting at 3 p.m.

May

- 11 Graduation celebration for Brandon Johnson, given by his mom at the Center. Brandon graduated from Mississippi State University.
- 12 Graduation celebration for Jerry Boyd, Jr. was held at the Center. Jerry Jr. graduated from Mississippi State University in the area of Forestry. His goal is to be a park ranger.
- 19 Academic booster club tutoring club met and did journal writing an shared years experiences and future goals with the group. Mathematics activities were conducted by Mrs. Neal.
- 26 Council of Community Organizations of Oktibbeha (COCO) held its monthly meeting. The extended enrichment trip to Dallas Texas for the ABC tutoring program was approved.

June

- 01 Annual Award Program donors and Scholarship winners were announced. The program master of ceremony was Orlando Trainer. The colors were posted by Starkville High School JROTC program. Mrs. Viola Johnson opened the program with a skit and readings. Awards were given in Five categories to donors who contribute During the year. 2nd Annual David Rogers Memorial Scholarship winners were announced. They are Jeremy Moore and Taylor Jones. 2011 scholarship winner Joshua Poe was present to share his progress as a first year student at East MS Community College. He is doing well.
- 16 Academic Booster Club (ABC) tutoring club met and did journal writing and participated in educational games to celebrate passing the school year.
- 23 Annual meeting of the Council of Community Organizations was held June 23, 2012. All officers were re-elected.

New and Renewed Members

Nora Goliday, Judge Jim Mills, Judge Bernard Crump, Judge, William Anton "Tony" Boykin, Amaya Turnipseed, Tatayanna Turnipseed, Gregory Lowery, Jmichael Lowery, Elex Lowery, Christian Lewis, Church of Living God, James A. Jones, Charlene W. Minor, Mack Rogers, Destiny Carr, Cartez Wheeler, Darnell Trotman, Jayekia Anderson, Jamika Halface, Jasmine Anderson, Linda Skinner, Malaysha Rice, Tatayanna Turnipseed, Amaya Turnipseed, Tykeria Turnipseed Christine Kelly, Yolanda Kelly, Tiffany Kelly, Rafig Manteen, Natasha Williams,

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Adult membership dues are \$24.00, Organization dues are \$30.00, and Child dues are \$5.00.

Calendar of Up Coming Events

July

- 01 —- Community service day restoration at the Center
- **18** ABC Tutoring Group leave for Dallas Texas
- ABC Tutoring group return from Dallas, Texas Crystal Buckingham & Jackie Miller Wedding reception at 2 p.m.
- **23----** COCO Monthly Meeting 3:00 p.m.

August

- 03 Greene family reunion celebration
- **18**—-ABC Tutoring Program 9:00 a.m.
- **25**—COCO monthly Meeting 3 p.m.

September

- 15— ABC Tutoring Program 9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. Charity Rogers and Joseph Thrasher wedding reception at
- 22 --- COCO regular meeting 3:00 p. m

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