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decorated shovels highlighting their role within the university. Due to inclement weather, the groundbreaking ceremony was held in the Fleming Education Center auditorium using white holiday "soil."

For more information about Southern Miss Gulf Coast, visit www.usm.edu/gulfcoast.

Beau Rivage increases air service with Vision Airlines

BILOXI — The Beau Rivage has increased nonstop jet service from St. Petersburg-Clearwater International Airport to Gulfport/Biloxi International Airport to five days a week — Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturdays on 136-seat Boeing 737 aircraft.

Beau Rivage's introductory packages start at \$199 per person, double occupancy, plus taxes and fees, and are limited, subject to availability. Travel packages include airfare, deluxe accommodations and round-trip ground transportation between the airport and Beau Rivage.

Flights will depart PIE at 1:45 p.m. and arrive at Beau Rivage at 2:05 p.m. Flights leaving Gulfport/Biloxi will depart at 10:30 a.m. and arrive back at St. Pete-Clearwater at 12:50 p.m. (all flight times are local). Reservations for the air-inclusive travel packages may be made by calling 1.877.GO.2.BEAU (877.462.2328) or by booking on-line at www.beaurivage.com/199.

Butler Snow attorneys named Top Super Lawyers

Butler, Snow, O'Mara, Stevens & Cannada, PLLC, attorneys have been included in the Top 50 Memphis, Top 100 Tennessee and Top 50 Mississippi Super Lawyers 2011.

Butler Snow attorneys who were included in the Top 50 Mississippi list, along with their practice areas, are as follows:

Don B. Cannada, real estate; Donald Clark Jr., bonds/government finance; John F. England, bonds/government finance; Robert C. Galloway, business litigation; Charles E. Griffin, business litigation; John C. Henegan, business litigation; Christy D. Jones, personal injury defense; Stephen W. Rosenblatt, bankruptcy & creditor/debtor rights; Lee Davis Thames, personal injury defense: general; Jay A. Travis III, estate planning & probate; James B. Tucker, criminal defense: white collar; and Jeffrey A. Walker, employment & labor.

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Galloway



Memorial Inpatient Rehabilitation receives accreditation

Memorial Hospital at Gulfport received a three-year accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities for the following services: adults, adolescents and children inpatient rehabilitation and a stroke specialty certification. The Inpatient Rehab Unit has been CARF accredited since 1993 and has ranked in the top 3 percent of CARF surveys internationally for six years in a row. The unit accepts referrals for patients age 15 and older.

This three-year accreditation, which extends through June 2014, represents the highest level of accreditation that can be awarded to an inpatient rehabilitation facility. During the June survey, the CARF surveyors made no recommendations, signifying that the program at Memorial Hospital conformed to all of the standards.

Only 3 percent of CARF surveys internationally have resulted in no recommendations.

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CVB completes successful sales mission to D.C.

Sales staff from the Mississippi Gulf Coast Convention & Visitors Bureau, along with other local marketing partners, met with meeting planners and association executives in Washington D.C. and the surrounding areas in No-

Memorial Hospital was the first facility in Mississippi to achieve the combined Joint Commission Stroke Accreditation for the acute hospital as well as CARF Stroke Specialty Certification for the Inpatient Rehab Unit.

Memorial offers an interdisciplinary team approach for the treatment of patients with brain injury, multiple trauma, stroke, spinal cord injury, amputation/joint prosthesis, orthopedic conditions, arthritis, neurological disorders and other medical conditions causing functional deficits and a change in lifestyle.

Designed to provide a home-like atmosphere, Inpatient Rehabilitation patients at Memorial Hospital have access to a fully equipped gym, garden therapy deck, educational library, visitors' dayroom, private and semi-private rooms, a transitional apartment with kitchen, dining room and computer assisted therapy programs.

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These appointments allowed personal face-to-face time with the qualified meeting professionals that have the opportunity to bring business to the Mississippi Gulf Coast in the near future and be put in the bidding process for later dates.

"The Washington D.C. Sales Blitz was a great success and was the perfect opportunity to get out in the national association community to show what the Mississippi Gulf Coast has to offer and how their meetings/confer-

ences would best benefit by meeting in our area," said Crystal Johnson, director of sales for the CVB. The CVB looks forward to continuing the relationship with these meeting planners to grow convention business for many years to come."

As a result of the sales blitz, the CVB has received six Requests for Proposals, which include hotel rooms and convention center spaces. The staff has also received many commitments for RFPs for future meetings.

Also participating in the sales mission was the Mississippi Coast Coliseum & Convention Center, Beau Rivage Resort & Casino, IP Casino Resort Spa, and the Gulfport-Biloxi International Airport.



Alexander



Bolen



Descher



Ford

MGCCC Board of Trustees officers elected

The 2012 officers for the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College Board of Trustees include David Ford, chairperson, Harrison County; Susan Hunt, first vice chair, Harrison County; Pat Descher, second vice chair, Jackson County; Wilburn Bolen, secretary, George County; and Brenton Alexander, treasurer, Stone County.

Ford is the retired director of marketing and sales for Mississippi Power and has been on the MGCCC board since 2007.

Hunt is the retired executive director of the Biloxi Bay Chamber of Commerce and has served on the board since 2005.

Descher is the owner of multiple McDonald's restaurants in South Mississippi and has served on the board for almost 25 years.

Bolen is a retired tax collector/assessor in



Hunt