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# Welcome to Cleveland and Bolivar County



Welcome to Cleveland and Bolivar County, Mississippi which is often referred to as the Center of the Mississippi Delta!

That's because Cleveland is located between Clarksdale, Greenwood, Indianola and Greenville and why Cleveland continues to be the hub of the Delta.

Cleveland is also known as the home of Delta State University and for the town's shopping opportunities, entertainment venues, and restaurants.

Additionally, Bolivar County's outdoor opportunities are almost limitless due to our location to the Mississippi River.

Speaking of Delta State University, the school is not only a major attraction for students, but for others as well because of the variety of offerings that take place on the DSU campus. These offerings range from major theatrical and musical productions at the Bologna Performing Arts Center, to sports events and conferences.

The GRAMMY Museum® Mississippi, is also one the town's most

noted attractions. In fact, it is the only GRAMMY Museum located outside of Los Angeles. Exhibits celebrate all genres of music and several times a year the museum features lectures and performances by some of the world's most noted entertainers. Rock icon, Peter Frampton; country music great, Garth Brooks; blues singer Bobby Rush; blues guitarist sensation KingFish; Geoff Emerick, who recorded The Beatles' records; Roger Fisher, the founding member of the rock band, Heart; and Elvis Presley's band are just a few of the many performers and music industry insiders who have appeared at the museum.

There is much to see and do in Cleveland and Bolivar County, Mississippi! We hope you enjoy your visit and for more information contact the Cleveland-Bolivar County Chamber of Commerce at **clevelandmschamber.com** or **info@clevelandmschamber.com** 

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**ON THE COVER:** More than your average hamburger, topped off with a subtle nod to the Delta State University mascot, The Fighting Okra. Served up at the Cleveland restaurant Hey Joe's. *Photo by Rory Doyle* 

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#### from the

## Tourism Director

### Welcome to Cleveland and Bolivar County

#### Welcome! We're glad you're here!

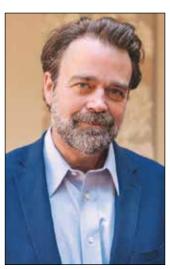
So, you've found yourself either in, or wanting to visit Cleveland and Bolivar County. Located in the heart of the Mississippi Delta region, Cleveland is a vibrant, "perfectly sized" town with much to offer visitors and residents alike. A beautiful, walkable and safe downtown full of great shopping and restaurants, super nice hotels, a university and all that comes with it, and world class attractions and events make Cleveland and Bolivar County one of the best places to live in the state. And you don't have to take my word for it: Southern Living and Smithsonian Magazine have said the same thing.

From having the most sculpture pieces of any small town in the south, to having the only Grammy Museum outside of Los Angeles, and one of the best train museums in the state, Cleveland is full of attractions and activities to keep the whole family entertained: check out over a million Christmas lights festooned around town during our 50 Nights of Lights celebration each holiday season, catch a broadway musical at the Bologna Performing Arts Center, or an intimate concert, theater performance or art opening at the historic Ellis Theater... there's something going on literally every week in Cleveland.

But all the good things to do don't stop at the city limits! The county has much to offer, like pottery shopping in Merigold and Mound Bayou, checking out where the Blues began at Dockery Farms, or discovering Black History and exploring the origins of our nation's Civil Rights movement at sites throughout Cleveland and Bolivar County. And for those who enjoy the outdoors, Dahomey Wildlife Refuge and Great River Road Park offer some of the most interesting

trails and birding (as well as other wildlife viewing) opportunities in the Delta, as well as some of the only natural pedestrian access to the Mississippi River anywhere.

In fact, Cleveland and Bolivar County are pretty much central to anywhere in the Delta you want to visit, making a stay here the perfect "basecamp" for an amazing Delta adventure. Are you looking for a unique place to try some Delta Hot Tamales? There are over a dozen places within a 45-minute drive. Blues sites? Over 50 historic blues sites are within an hour's drive of



Cleveland. When you're in Cleveland and Bolivar County, you are truly in the middle of all of the best that the Delta has to offer. You can plan your itinerary at **www.visitclevelandms.com**.

So, we hope you'll settle in for a day or three, get to know the town, and get out and explore this very special region of America.

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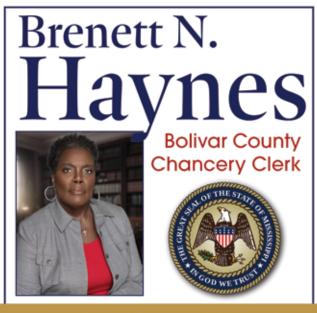
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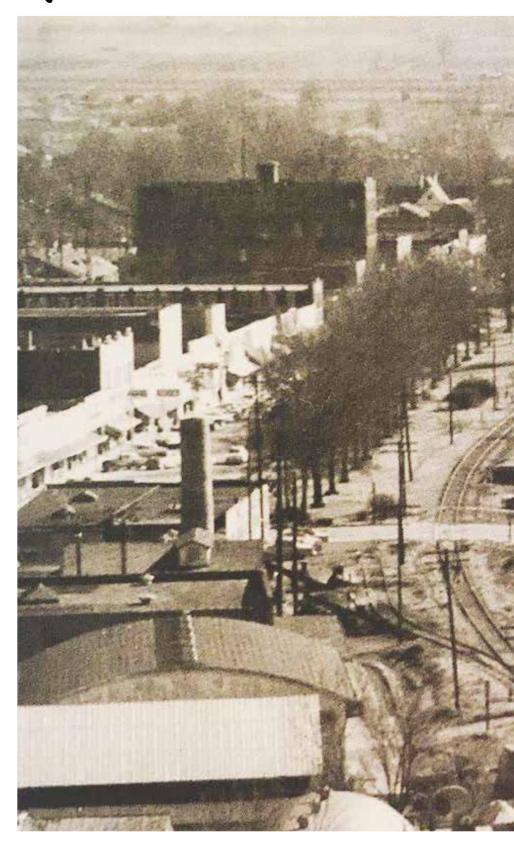
Born into the vibrant heritage of the Mississippi Delta, Cleveland has a history as rich as the fertile farmland that was hidden beneath the thick forests that were present when Bolivar County came into existence in 1836. One of the county's strongest features is the various ethnicities that made their home here in Bolivar County—along with the rest of the Delta.

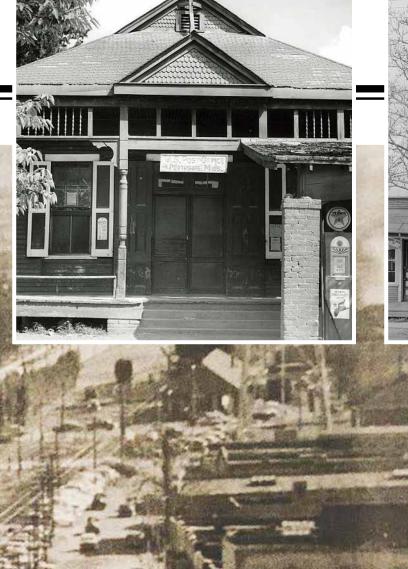
#### **SOME FACTS:**

- We are the only Bolivar County in the USA
- •We are the 2nd largest county (geographically) in Mississippi; 906 square miles

The Delta is an alluvial plain lying in the northwestern part of Mississippi, below Memphis, Tenn. It is the area of land situated between the Mississippi River to the west and the Yazoo River to the south. At its widest point, the Delta stretches roughly sixty miles to the east where the terrain changes abruptly to hills. This flat land was formed by deposits from the Mississippi River and its tributaries over eons of changing river courses and seasonal high water.

Prior to the building of the levee along the Mississippi, flooding was a constant, creating a swampy area that made navigation and settlement difficult. Those factors, along with a generally mild climate, combined to produce rich soil, great forests, and









dense undergrowth. The Delta was a perfect habitat for wildlife—alligators, wolves, black bears, wildcats, foxes, beavers, otters, turkeys, deer, a variety of birds, and of course, mosquitoes many of which are still present today. A mecca for outdoor enthusiasts, Bolivar County is bordered on the west by the Mississippi River and is home to several lakes and streams along with public hunting areas such as Dahomey National Wildlife Refuge, the Great River Road WMA, and Lake Charlie Capps. For more information, visit fws.gov/refuge/Dahomey or mdwfp.com

The first Deltans were moundbuilding Native Americans. Although some of the mounds have been lost to time, many are still visible. Recently, the Mississippi Department of Archives and History created the Mississippi Mound Trail to bring awareness to these wonders. Each of the mounds on the trail can be viewed from public roadways and feature accompanying markers. trails.mdah.ms.gov

The Spaniards exploring the New World in 1541 encountered



Fireman's Park in Cleveland was established in 1946 and is still utilized and enjoyed by the community.



Historic image of the intersection of Highway 8 and 61.



The Refuge Cotton Seed Oil Company was built in Rosedale shortly after the turn of the century and was a key ingredient in the prosperity of the region.



Sharpe Street and Cotton Row have long been the hub for shopping in Cleveland.

these Native Americans along the Mississippi River. It is probable that Hernando De Soto "discovered" the River near Bolivar County. Other explorers followed the same general route—Marquette and Joliet in 1673 then LaSalle in 1682.

Over 100 years later exploration gave way to American expansion. Mississippi received its statehood in 1817 and Bolivar County was formed in 1836. The Native Americans, through a series of treaties, were removed westward with Indian Point in southwestern Bolivar County, a main point of embarkation. The first few white settlers came to Bolivar County in the early 1800's and more quickly followed as the word spread about the abundance of virgin timber, fertile soil,

and open opportunities.

Where one can see a thriving town and community, there once was a thick swampland full of cypress and other species of trees with which the early residents carved out a life. Strong axmen cut down the forests and discovered the fertile soil beneath was 40-60 feet deep, so if they needed virgin soil, they simply dug deeper and struck planting gold every time. The "King of Crops" was cotton-and the Delta was the ideal location for growing the white wealthmaker. These bold gamblers braved the elements—flooding, mosquitoes, and subsequent disease to carve out farms, homes, and a government along the riverside. The county seat of Bolivar County moved several times

before locating to Rosedale.

Much of the interior of the county remained virtually untouched except for a few small sawmill operations. In 1884 the Louisville, New Orleans, and Texas railroad was built through the Delta, passing through the eastern half of Bolivar County. Situated approximately halfway between Memphis and Vicksburg was a little sawmilling community which at various times was called Simms or Fontaine. The first railroad maps called it Coleman. The good fortune of being the halfway point meant that Coleman was a railroad stopping point and quickly businesses, homes, and schools were built. In 1886 Coleman was incorporated as the Town of Cleveland. The town grew steadily



The Cleveland Police Department is housed in a historic building that has been designated as a Mississippi Landmark. Recent renovations have produced much needed updates to this long-standing structure.

and by 1901 Cleveland was named the second county seat and a new courthouse was erected. Bolivar County is one of ten counties in Mississippi with two judicial districts.

The LNO & T Railroad was promptly absorbed by the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley RR. Spur tracks were built; crisscrossing the county as sawmill and stave operations began to rapidly clear the great forests with their steam equipment. Towns formed all along the railroad tracks as the railroad company encouraged settlement by making the acreage inexpensive to purchase. One of the most historic of these towns in Bolivar County is Mound Bayou, established by Isaiah T. Montgomery and other former slaves.

As more trees were cleared, more land was put into cultivation. In the early days, all of the planting and

harvesting was done by hand. At the end of WWI, just as after the Civil War, African Americans left Bolivar County in great numbers, but many stayed, becoming tenant farmers. There was an increasing demand for labor and Delta planters began to recruit overseas. As early as the late 1880s the first Italians were making their home in Bolivar County. Chinese were recruited in much the same manner. Jewish settlers arrived and began making their living as peddlers. By living frugally, the Chinese immigrants realized an opportunity to open their own markets and grocery stores. Italian farm laborers became farm owners. Jewish peddlers became store-front merchants. Other immigrant groups such as Mexicans and Lebanese came to the Delta came as well. Today, in addition to the first settlers of English,

Scottish, German, Irish, and African descent, Bolivar County is its own "melting pot" of ethnicities.

The African-American influence in the county's history is quite evident. Nearby Dockery Plantation is designated with a Blues Trail marker declaring the location as the probable "Birthplace of the Blues." Many of the early Delta Bluesmen lived and worked around Dockery, influencing each other and educating the next generation. The railroad and the Blues go hand in hand as many Blues lyrics sing about the train either with sorrow or joy. Charley Patton wrote "Peavine Blues," referring to the winding railroad that connected Dockery with Rosedale on the riverside. There are several Blues Trail markers scattered throughout the county and many a scenic back road will still take you



Mound Bayou Railroad Station, circa 1939.

there. If you ask the right locals, you may actually find the real Crossroads where Robert Johnson reportedly sold his soul to the Devil. msbluestrail.org

The City of Cleveland has always been fortunate to have forwardthinking leadership, but perhaps no group of City leaders has been more progressive than the elected officials in the early 1920s. As the State Legislature considered a location for a new Normal college, Cleveland became the obvious choice due to its central Delta location, the railroad, and the donation of land. However, perhaps the most important factor in the equation was the City leaders' willingness to relocate the infamous Black Bear Saloon that was located between the depot and the soonto-be Delta Normal College, now Delta State University. In the early 1950s the astute City leaders were able to attract Baxter Laboratories and MP & L's Delta Steam Electric Station just north of town. The population of Cleveland doubled over the following decade.

Most recently, the City of Cleveland and Bolivar County, partnering with DSU, was able to see the realization of the GRAMMY Museum adjacent to Delta State's campus. It is the most technologically advanced music museum in the world and the only other GRAMMY Museum outside of Los Angeles.

Although always looking ahead, Cleveland (cityofclevelandms.com) and Bolivar County (co.bolivar. ms.us) have developed an increasing appreciation for preservation and promoting our past. Cleveland is also home to the City of Cleveland's Railroad Heritage Museum, housing the largest O gauge model layout in the southeast, thousands of railroad artifacts, and a 1941 Illinois Central caboose, all paying tribute to our railroad beginnings. The Mississippi Delta Chinese Heritage Museum is located on the third floor of the Delta State Archives & Museum with both museums hosting outstanding displays and exhibits highlighting

various facets of our history. The Boo Ferriss Baseball Museum, located beside the DSU baseball stadium, honors the late Red Sox pitcher and Hall of Famer, Boo Ferriss, a Shaw, Miss. native and legendary coach at DSU. The Amzie Moore House is the actual home of the late Civil Rights leader, which has been preserved and converted into a museum, paying tribute to his efforts. The home has also been designated as a stop on the Freedom Trail. visitmississippi.org

Throughout Bolivar County, you will find numerous sites designated with historical markers, Blues Trail markers, and Freedom Trail markers. Cleveland is located on the Blues Highway (Highway 61) and the western side of the county is home to the Great River Road (Highway 1). Tourism has become a very integral part of the Mississippi Delta, and as we attract more and more visitors to our home here in Cleveland, we hope you enjoy your stay and we'd like to say: *Welcome to Cleveland!* WG





## Railroad Museum =

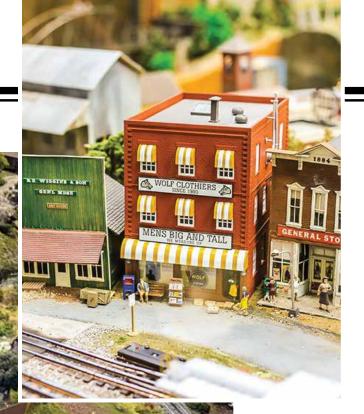
THE MARTIN AND SUE KING RAILROAD HERITAGE MUSEUM preserves the history of the railroad in Cleveland, Bolivar County, and the Mississippi Delta along with providing an exciting environment for visitors.

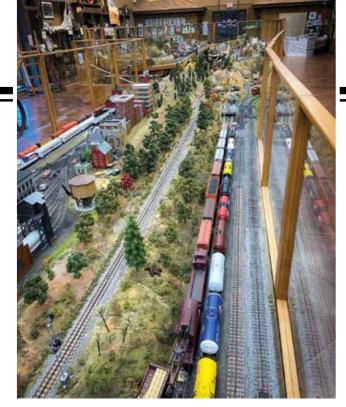
In the early 1830's settlement began along the Mississippi River. Clearing the timber and flood control were equally important but neither was successful until the arrival of the railroads. The railroads meant steam equipment and more reliable transportation for shipping timber to market. The railroads cleared the interior of the Delta and built better levees to contain the Mississippi River.

Passenger service for the Cleveland area stopped in 1965 and the last freight train passed through in 1995. In 2000, the tracks were removed and a walking trail took their place.

The museum belongs to the City of Cleveland and is named for former longtime Mayor, Martin T. King, and his wife, Sue. It officially opened in 2009 and today the museum is home to thousands of artifacts, photographs, and documents. Outside, visitors can "walk through history" in the 1941 Illinois Central caboose. Inside, there is much more to experience. WG













The Martin and Sue King Railroad Heritage Museum opened in 2009 and showcases thousands of artifacts and documents. Visitors to the museum are able to immerse themselves in true Southern culture and learn how the railroad system impacted the development of Bolivar County.

### \* FROM THE MUSEUM DIRECTOR \*

### The Martin & Sue King Railroad Experience

Let's take a walk back in time... Life is simple! Smell the dirt stirring off the heels of penny loafers.

Envision customers walking in and out of family-owned businesses. Feel the cotton running through your fingers as you walk the rows of a field. Savor the taste of fried chicken from the corner market. Listen for the sound of the train heading into town. Sensations of things that seem so distant to us now.

Let us at the Martin and Sue King Railroad Heritage Museum take you back to this time in life. Let us show you "Anytown," Mississippi, and teach you about our heritage. Embrace the journey.

Once entering the Museum the first sight is our 76x17 O-Gauge model train layout, the largest in the Southwestern part of the United States. The detail of the layout is impeccable. We want you to see yourself as a passenger. Grab your suitcase and let's go see the landscape on the City of New Orleans!

Your first stop... Downtown! Drop the children off at the playground and run your errands. Get a trim at Eddie's Barber Shop, mail your mother's letter at our post office, purchase a guitar, and get ready for Dockery Farms!

Before the train arrives at Dockery, you get to the local fishing hole. Fishing Hole Bait and Tackle has all you need to enjoy an afternoon of fishing. Drop your line in and wait on a bite... "All Aboard!" Time for our next stop.

Open your passenger window. Over the all-encompassing sound of the train running these tracks, you can hear it!

"Can't go down any dirt road by myself. Can't go down any dirt road by myself. (My Lord, who ya gonna carry? I don't carry mine, gonna carry me someone else."

We have arrived at Dockery Farms. It is a Sunday. Not only do we hear Charley Patton singing the Blues, but the church house is bolting "Rock of Ages". What a lively community during such a time of segregation. All are treated fairly at Dockery; that's the beauty of this special place. We stay until sunset, a beautiful landscape in pinks and

oranges for as far as the eye can see. You have now become a part of history!

As we board the City of New Orleans, it is dark outside only the train lights the way. Looking outside the window you pass small farming communities and a growing industrial area, and then train begins to slow. This special stop is Po' Monkey's Juke Joint.

Place your dancing shoes on! It's time to boogie! You are dancing in one of the most famous juke joints in the world. Meeting people of all races and backgrounds, truly the watering



hole of the South. After a few tallboys and many dance steps, it is time for our final destination.

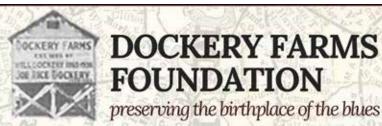
Dinner and a movie anyone? Grab your best gal's hand and a burger at the Flying Dutchman. Cuddle up with one another and enjoy your favorite John Wayne movie on the big screen. What a perfect way to end a day in the Delta!

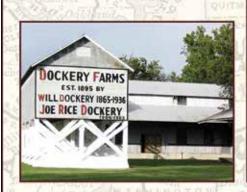
You have now seen most of what "Anytown" has to offer. You have been a part of history and true southern culture. Know there was bad, but there was much good and you have now seen it all!

Y'all come back and see us!

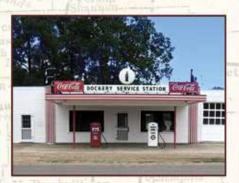
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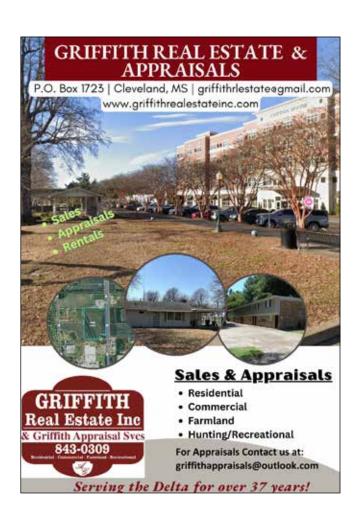
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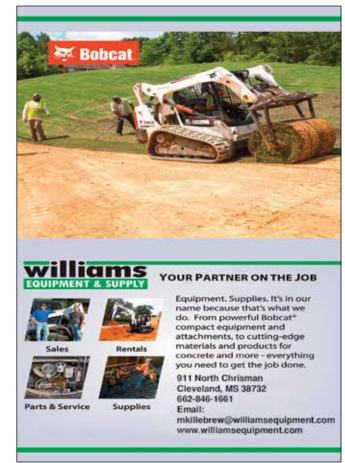
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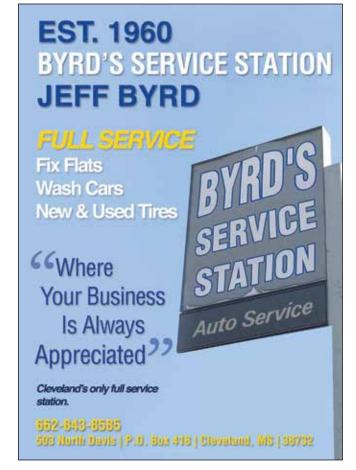
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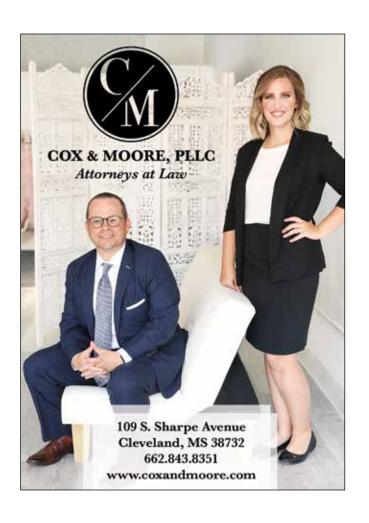


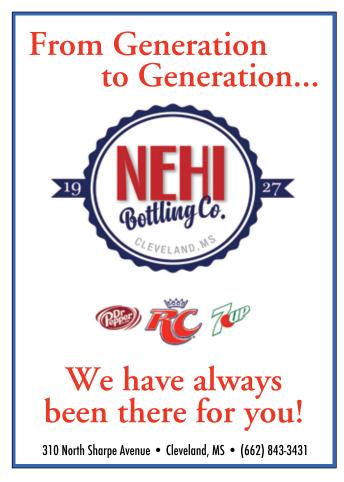
















## Shopping

IS THIS CLEVELAND, MISSISSIPPI? This is a typical question after one has the chance to browse the many retail spaces in Cleveland's historic downtown.

With ample clothing stores, two master jewelers, three bookstores, specialty food products (many made in the Delta), and enough gift options to cross every item off of a Christmas list, visitors cannot believe their eyes and good fortune.

What was once a dusty, dirt road that provided a meeting place for farmers who would bring their finest harvest to market, Cleveland's downtown now has all the charm with the history to match. The city relied heavily on its railroad, giving the downtown the shape of a rectangle rather than a traditional town square. The downtown area of Cleveland was constructed around the railroad, and though the tracks have long since been removed, there is still a hint of its history. In the old days, residents made their way downtown after work to browse in the various shops and visit with their neighbors and friends.

That still holds true today as the heart of every Southern community is its downtown, and Cleveland's is vibrant and growing.











The award-winning Historic Crosstie Shopping District offers a diverse array of specialty shops, antique stores and cafés within walking distance.

Visitors come from all over the country to experience the picturesque main-street stores, offering big-city shopping in a small-town atmosphere. The historic look of Cleveland lends an old-world charm, while the wares inside offer modern-day amenities and selections.

With a walking trail through the middle of downtown and a bike trail on the south side, both offer beautiful views and comfortable seating areas for those wanting to stroll and exercise while taking in the beauty of Cleveland's landscape.

With the easy park-and-stroll setup of downtown Cleveland, it is easy to see why so many people come to spend a day walking the brick sidewalks, perusing the latest merchandise and one-of-a-kind items, and eating lunch at one of our fabulous downtown establishments.

Grab lunch to go from one of our many eateries and sit under the gazebo, designed by the late Felix Hammack for residents and visitors alike to enjoy the sights and sounds of downtown. **WG** 







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Under the current financial scenario and the rising costs of any item needed, it only makes sense to look for the best price available which is sometimes, on-line or in bigger towns/larger providers, which oftentimes means NOT in Cleveland. BUT, all aside I still prefer to shop in Cleveland. WHY? The people – it makes the

community. . .I know they will support me in not only my law practice, but the school system and the betterment of the community. We've all heard the phrase, "it takes a village" – well. . .Cleveland and the Mississippi Delta is an awesome village. I don't want my money leaving the area. . .do you?



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It's the convenience for me! I can always count on finding anything I need, whether it is clothes, shoes, decor or something to feed my family. Everyone working in all of our local stores are always so helpful.

 Anna McClain Syke Jennings Dental Clinic



I love shopping in Cleveland because it is so nice to walk into a store and be welcomed by familiar faces. The wide selection of stores make it easy to grab something for myself, my home, or the perfect gift!.

- Brittany Hill GRAMMY Museum







"I love shopping in Cleveland because it's fun! Each store has curated its own unique and personal experience, and the shops carry fantastic merchandise. If you haven't been shopping here recently, you should plan a trip now!"

- Hannah Aguzzi Cleveland-Bolivar County Chamber of Commerce







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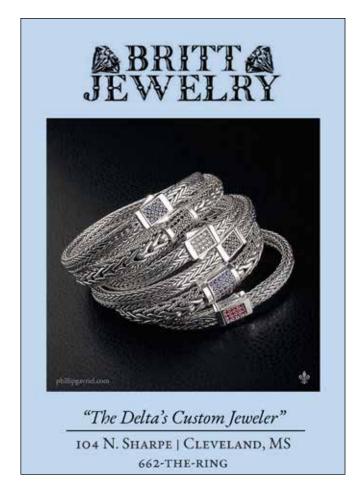




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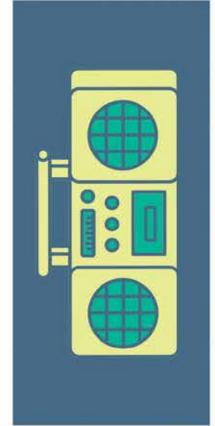
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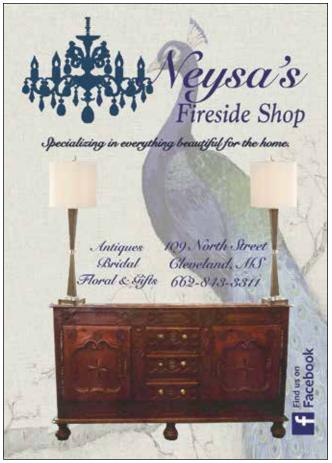


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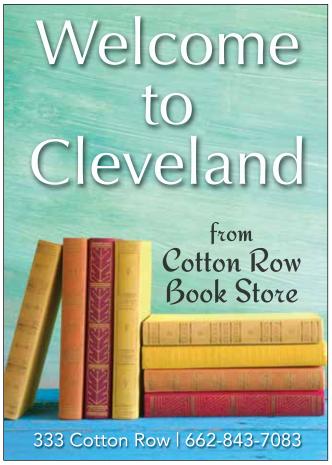
















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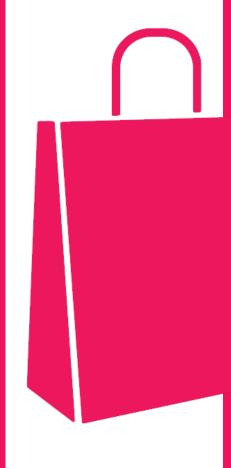
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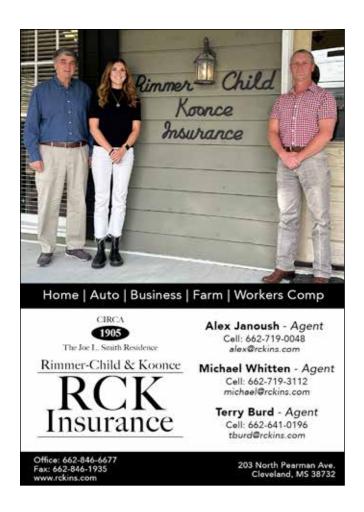
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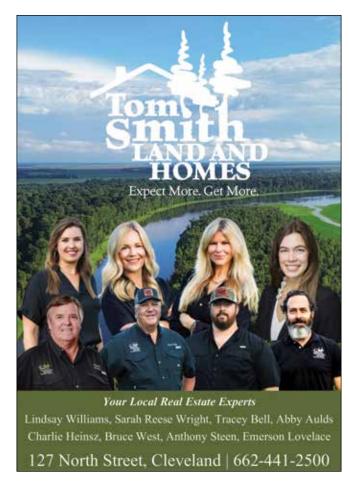
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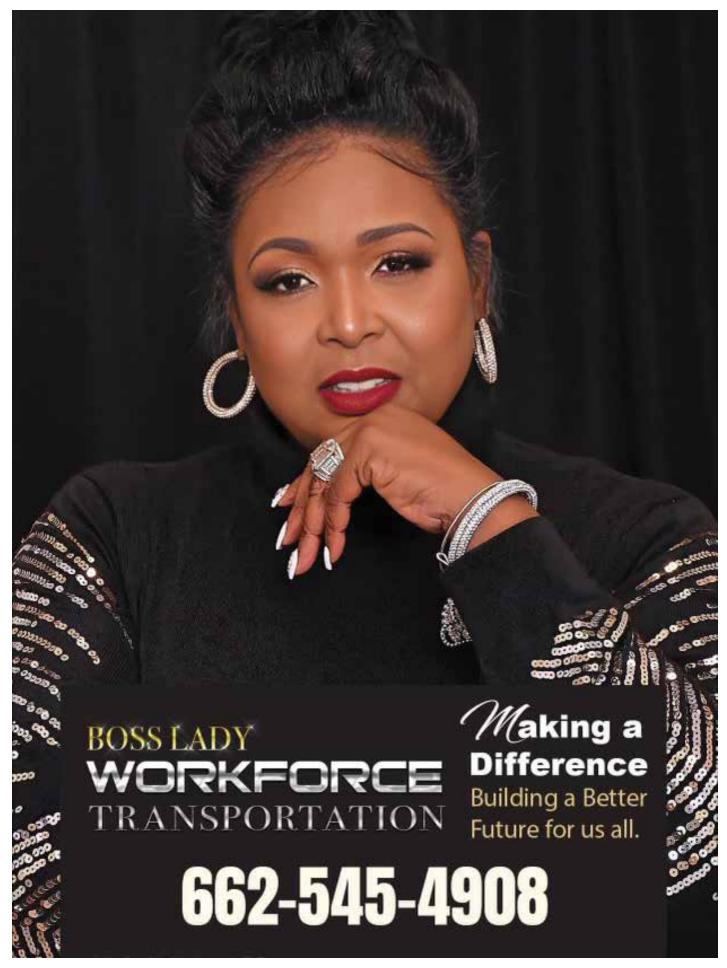
















# Dining

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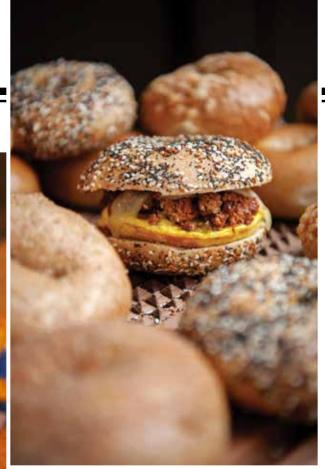
Bolivar County is known for such fare alongside other traditional favorites. Feel like a plate of crispy fried chicken? Look no further. Most every restaurant serves this essential dish their own way, not every recipe for the crunchy crust is the same. You may need to eat it once a day to choose your favorite.

A unique pairing in the Delta is on several Friday lunch menus — spaghetti and fried catfish. This combo is a nod to our Italian community and our favorite fish.

Feel free to indulge yourself with our barbecue. From pulled pork plates to falling off the bone ribs, you will discover the Delta way is the only way. Barbecue joints can be found in most towns in the four corners of Bolivar County, and we encourage you to try them all. Served with coleslaw, baked beans, barbecue is a delicacy you will love.

Hot tamales have become the stuff of legend in our region, bringing in guests from all over the world who













seek to name the best there is. The tradition of this Delta staple is a historic tale, and the tamale even found fame in blues songs such as Robert Johnson's "Red Hot." Read up on the history of the delicious corn huskeddelicacy at tamaletrail.com. Bolivar County even has a few restaurants featured on the interactive trail, created by the Southern Foodways Alliance. Whether you like yours covered with chili and cheese or with a few packs of saltines, you can get your fill right here in Cleveland alone.

Steaks, seafood and good old fashion hamburgers also grace the menus of our restaurants. Cooked to perfection and served with a side of fries, yes, please! Find seafood gumbo, crawfish etouffee and other Southern staples on our menus.

Need a cup of joe to keep you going? Cleveland is home to numerous coffee shops ready to get you on your way. These quaint spots are made for relaxing, having a good conversation with friends or even finishing up a

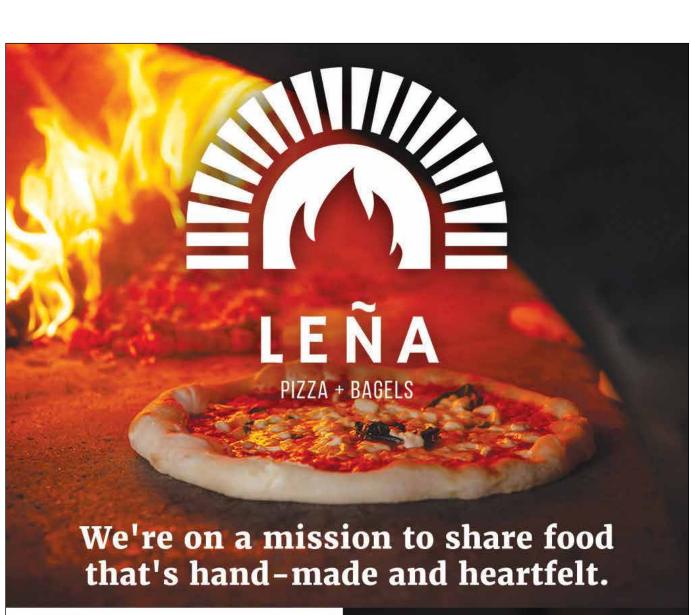
term paper. Wake up and smell the gourmet coffee!

The Delta is also known for its soul food or also known as country cooking. Lunch buffets are filled with locally-sourced veggies, pans of cornbread, greens with pot liquor and smothered pork chops. Leave full and satisfied with our traditional Southern cuisine.

While all this sounds full of calories, we also appreciate a good salad, mushroom burger and other vegetarian dishes for those who are health-conscious.

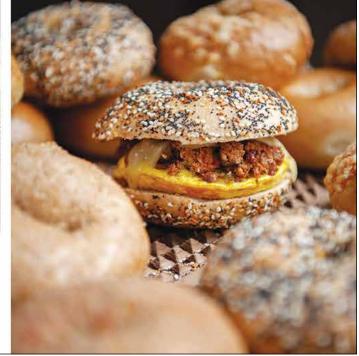
Brunch has caught on and Cleveland has several morning spots that serve Bloody Marys, Mimosas and twists on typical breakfast items.

Last but not least, we are known for our fresh, hot and spicy crawfish! Keep your eyes open for restaurants who serve this treat, and if you are unfamiliar with this Cajun favorite, a local will be happy to show you the proper way to pop them in your mouth. WG





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town with some good tasty food and also some of the restaurants have added incentives that's some good ole Mississippi blues. Come on out and have dinner with us in Bolivar County it is an experience you won't forget!



- Pam Chatman
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I am fortunate to live in Bolivar County where there are so many options for dining. Pizza, steak, bbq, hot tamales and Italian foods are some of my favorite cuisines and they can all be found here!

> - Cheryl Comans North Sunflower Medical Center



I love dining in Bolivar County because of the variety of choices and we always see people we know when we go out, which makes the entire experience more fun and enjoyable.

> - John C Cox Cox & Moore



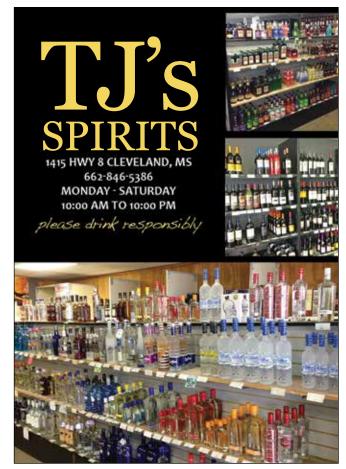




My grandfather always said, "Come to the Delta, we will treat you in so many ways you will like one of them! Dining in Bolivar County is no different. You are certain to find food that makes you happy.

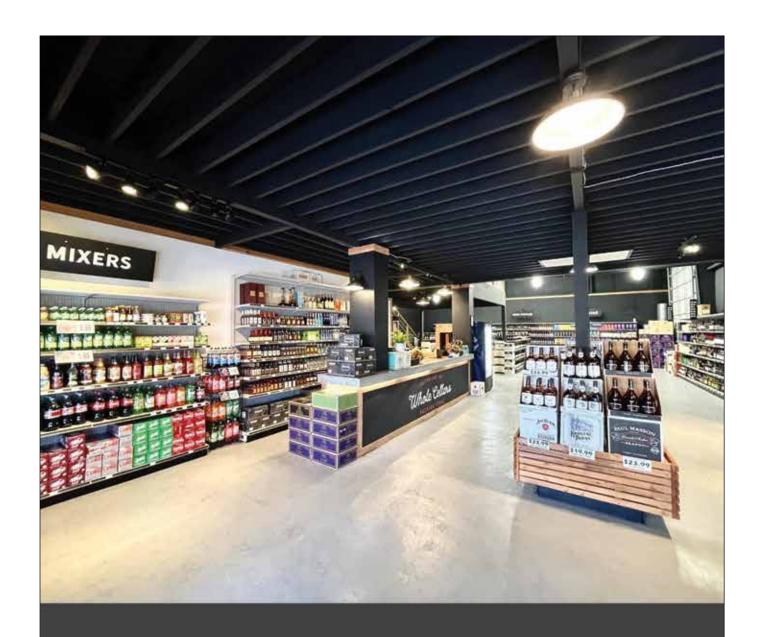
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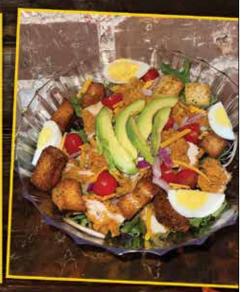
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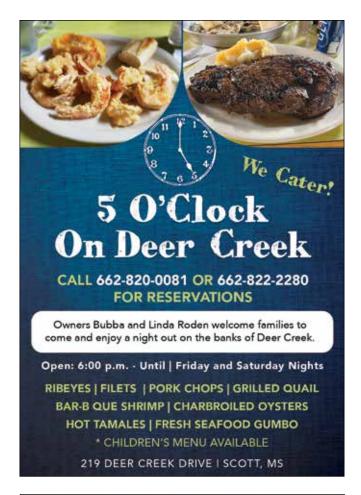
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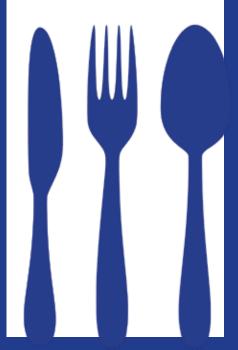
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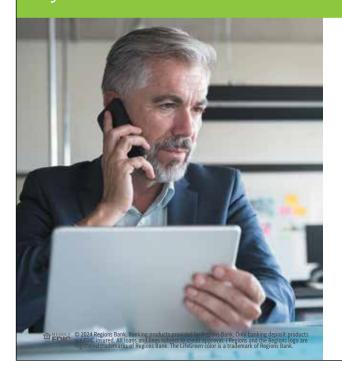
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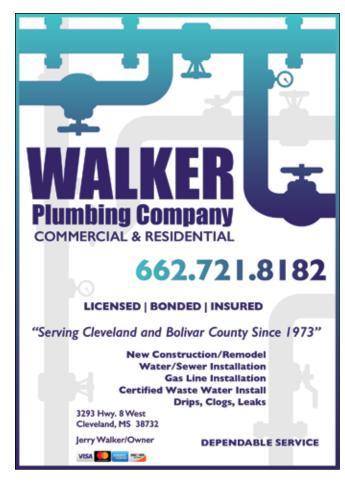


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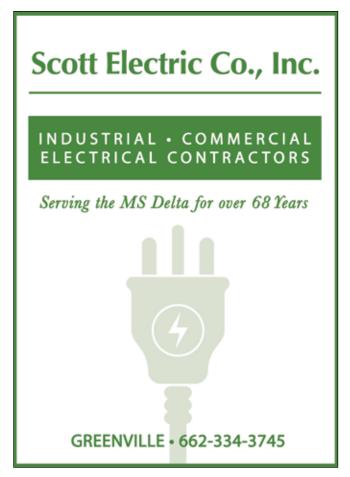
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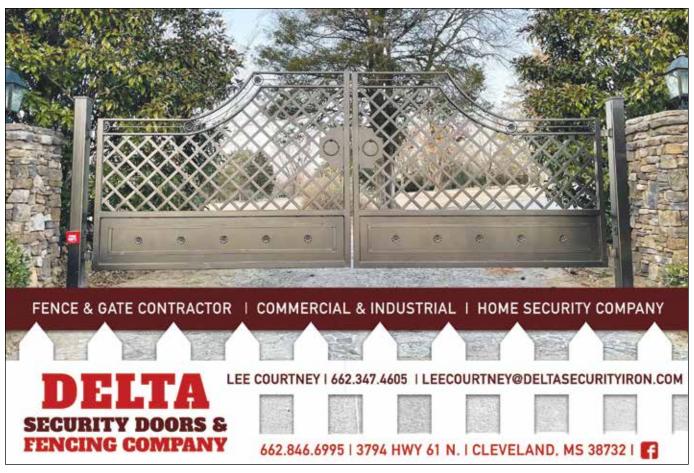












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# Culture =

# FOR A DEEPER INSIGHT INTO WHY THE DELTA IS THE WAY IT IS, take a look inside our museums.

The Delta is a melting pot of many ethnicities, and we embrace them all.

If you are a music lover, GRAMMY Museum Mississippi is a must see on your tour. This interactive museum opened in the Spring of 2016 and celebrates our state as the "Birthplace of America's Music." Located near the campus of Delta State University, the 28,000 square foot museum features a 140 seat state-of-the-art theater and houses more than two dozen exhibits that explore great music, from rock and hip-hop to country, classical, Latin, R&B, and jazz. GRAMMY Museum Mississippi also offers diverse educational and public programs featuring films, lectures, and live performances. Peter Frampton came alive with an intimate concert that showed us all the way. Who knows who may give a surprise performance? With the additions of GRAMMY Week that features current Mississippi talent and award nominees, and even more downhome events such as Kids Rock the Red Carpet, you won't find a better spot for excitement and music. For more information, visit their website at grammymuseums.org.

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Keeping with music, the Delta is

home of the Blues and there is no better place to explore this topic than at Dockery Farms. Situated east of Cleveland, Dockery claims famed Blues musician, Charley Patton, whose parents moved to the farm seeking a better life. His influence









reached 100s of musicians who patterned their play after this legend. Dockery Farms is open year round and from dawn until dusk. This storied piece of property has the soul and spirit to give Blues lovers an authentic dose.

Dockery Farms is also one of many places to be the site where Robert Johnson sold his soul to the devil. If fabled tales are your thing, Rosedale and Clarksdale also claim to be the spot which rock musicians have noted in their songs. Eric Clapton "believed" the riverside city to be the spot and recorded Crossroads, an ode to Johnson who wrote the original. Not only did Clapton find the story intriguing, so did Hollywood, and in

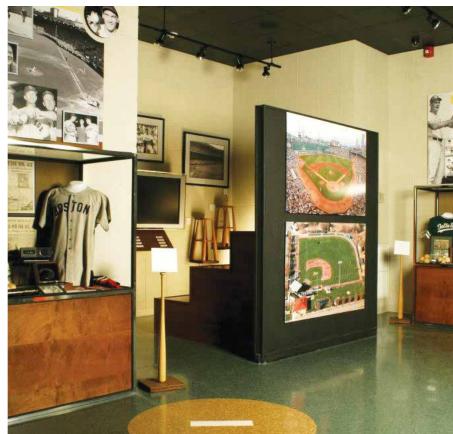
1986, the movie by the same title was filmed in the Delta and starred Ralph Macchio, Jami Gertz and Steve Vai, a guitar god in his own right.

Crossroads is one of many films set in the Delta, and in recent years more and more directors have come calling. Son, which was filmed in Cleveland and other parts of the Delta, stars Emile Hirsch, and has cameos by numerous residents. Our biggest claim to fame is Baby Doll, set in Benoit on the westside of the county. The Baby Doll House still stands and is used as a venue for weddings, dinner parties and any Southern get together.

While staying on Mississippi Highway 1, there are nearly twenty Blues Trail markers in the county that stretch from the Great River Road, Highway 1, to Highway 61, known as the Blues Highway. Visit the places where blues music was sung, created, danced to, and is still enjoyed today. For a complete driving map of Bolivar County markers, visit visitclevelandms. com, or msbluestrail.org, where there are also smart phone apps that can be downloaded.

If you are looking for a little guidance or information on guided tours of the history and heritage of the area, then The Delta Center for Culture and Learning is a must-visit. The Delta Center, located at Delta State University, strives to promote a greater understanding of the history and culture of the Mississippi Delta and its significance to the world. The Delta Center is an excellent resource





for learning more about the region's history and culture.

Visit The Delta Center's website at **deltacenterdsu.com** for more information.

From music to trains to civil rights to sports heroes, Cleveland has museums and displays that visitors from all over flock to see.

At the Martin and Sue King Railroad Heritage Museum there are many displays, old photos, railroad maps and interesting artifacts that tell the story of how the railway shaped the land, put our town on the map, and was imperative to the future of Bolivar County and the Delta. By preserving and promoting the history of the area, that story can be told through the museum's collection. Along with the displays, there is a full model railroad that runs through "Anytown," Mississippi. The incredible detail, sounds, and scale of the train are enjoyable to both children and adults. Local craftsmen bring this exhibit to life, and is one spot on a tour of the Delta you don't want to miss. For more information, call (662) 843-3377.

Located at Delta State is the Charles W. Capps, Jr. Archives and Museum. With displays ranging from Delta State history to old maps of the area, the museum is a source of great information about our area. Another unique and exciting offering is the Mississippi Delta Chinese Heritage Museum, located on the third floor of the Capps Archives.

One of the important Freedom Trail markers in the South, can be found in Cleveland at the Amzie Moore House Museum and Interpretive Center. Moore was instrumental in the crusade for rights for all, and his home on Chrisman Street saw meetings with Medgar Evers, Fannie Lou Hamer, Martin Luther King Jr., and Bobby Kennedy. Civil Rights were honed in the Delta.

Cleveland also is known for sports legend, Dave "Boo" Ferriss, who played for the Boston Red Sox and served as longtime baseball coach at Delta State University. By visiting Inning by Inning: A Life in Baseball, The Dave "Boo" Ferriss Museum, baseball enthusiasts are able to see

Ferriss' career chronicled through personal artifacts and photos from his early days in Shaw, Mississippi, to his Boston Red Sox days, and finally of his successful coaching career at Delta State. This museum is a must-see for sports fans.

To schedule visits to the Chinese Heritage Museum, Amzie Moore House, and Boo Ferriss Museum, please contact the Capps Archives at (662) 846-4780.

If you love outdoors, Dahomey National Wildlife Refuge is located fifteen miles southwest of Cleveland, and was established in 1990 when the Nature Conservancy purchased 9,269 acres and leased the land back to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for management. This is an ideal spot for birdwatching, searching for interesting plant life and native animals. The Prothonotary Warbler is a beautiful yellow bird that can be found in the refuge in the summer. There are thousands of indigenous species of life to discover.

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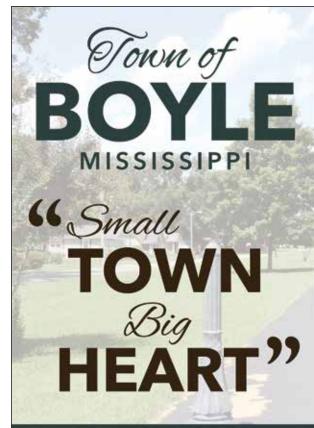


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# Delta State University =

### IF CLEVELAND IS THE HEART OF THE MISSISSIPPI DELTA, then Delta State University is the heartbeat.

If you head west from the intersection of U.S. Highway 61 and MS-8, you'll discover the hub of educational excellence, athletic pride, and cultural enrichments for the Mississippi Delta, Delta State University.

Perhaps best known for its successful alumni like former CEO and chairman of UPS David Abney; record-breaking athletes like Lusia "Lucy" Harris; renowned coaches including Margaret Wade and Dave "Boo" Ferriss; and of course, its beloved unofficial mascot, The Fighting Okra. Delta State and the Mississippi Delta region have enjoyed a mutually beneficial relationship that has lasted almost 100 years.

On September 15, 1925, Delta State Teachers College opened with a faculty of eleven and an enrollment of 97. In 1955, the name was changed to Delta State College due to the expanding educational programs offered. In 1974, Delta State College became Delta State University.

The University offers several unique educational opportunities, such as the state's only bachelor's and master's degree in Commercial Aviation. Delta State is one of only seven universities nationwide selected for the grants under the FedEx Purple Runway Aviation Scholarship Program.

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Program, Delta State fills hospitals and medical facilities with quality nursing professionals.

While many students come to Delta State from the Delta region, the University never charges out-ofstate tuition, attracting students from around the world. The University has expanded its footprints with students from 35 countries currently

With the Mississippi Delta being the birthplace of American music, Delta State opened the Delta Music Institute (DMI) Recording Studios in the spring of 2009. DMI is also home to the DMI Mobile Music Lab, a mobile music technology facility serving elementary and high school students in the Mississippi Delta. Through DMI, an exciting new chapter for the University began in 2016 when the GRAMMY Museum® Mississippi opened its doors on the Delta State campus. It was the first sanctioned GRAMMY Museum® outside of Los Angeles.

A new Digital Media Arts program was added, and the facilities feature a state-of-the-art Mac Lab, a green screen area, 2D and 3D animation technology, and a voice-over booth. Delta State is the only program in the state to offer an Animation concentration.

Delta State is home of the Bologna















Performing Arts Center, a multidisciplinary facility that provides first-class arts and entertainment for Delta State and the region. The main performance hall consists of 1,154 seats in the Delta & Pine Land Theater, with 145 seats in the more intimate Recital Hall. The BPAC has earned recognition as one of the premier venues in Mississippi and the Southeast.

In 2000, The Delta Center for Culture and Learning launched to promote greater understanding of Mississippi Delta culture and history and its significance to the world. The Delta Center serves as the management entity of the Mississippi Delta National Heritage Area and is the home of the International Delta Blues Project and the National Endowment for the Humanities' "Most Southern Place on Earth" workshops for K-12 educators.

In addition to its educational and cultural influences, Delta State serves as an economic powerhouse in the region and beyond. Delta State has



Delta State University serves as an economic powerhouse in the region and beyond. The university has a \$175 million positive impact on the Mississippi Delta.



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a \$175 million positive impact on the Mississippi Delta, which breaks down as \$44 million in direct spending, and \$110 million in knowledge impact of \$81 million in increased alumni earnings, \$27 million in social benefits and \$2 million in cultural benefits. Delta State further provides more than 207,000 hours in community development activities such as health, education, and civic outreach.

Delta State continues to refine and update programs and renovate buildings, structures, and roadways for a constantly fresh look on campus. In the past year, Delta State has completed several renovation projects designed to enhance the campus and make it more efficient for students, faculty, staff, and the community. WG

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# Mound Bayou Museum

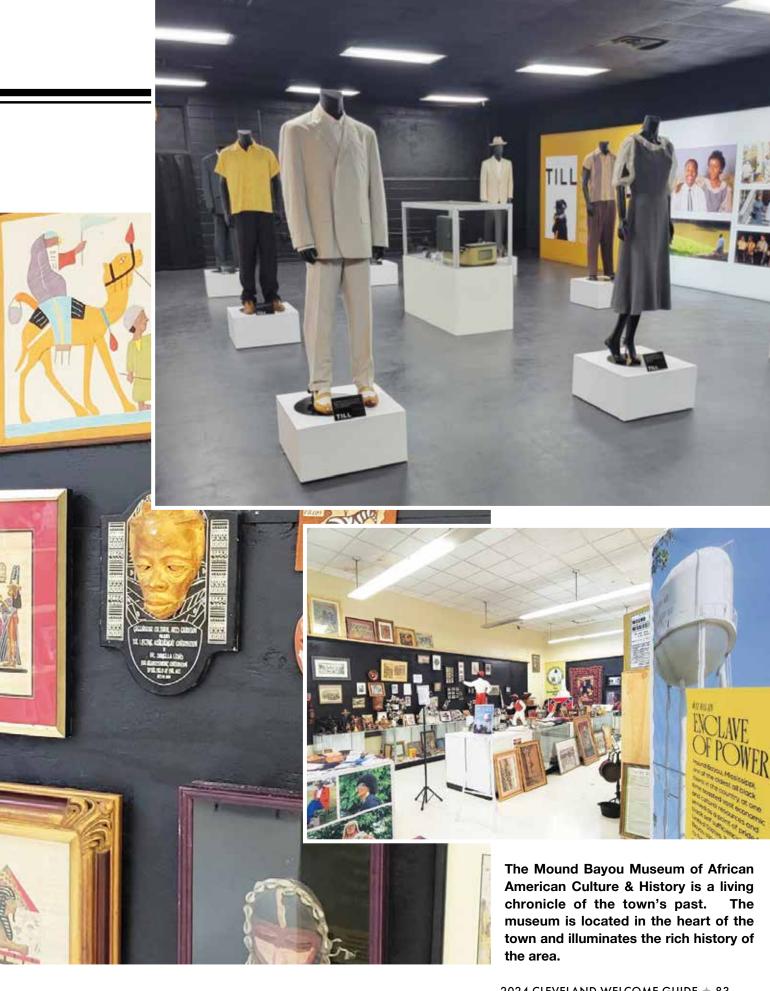
"WE'RE ACTUALLY OUTGROWING OUR CURRENT SPACE AT SUCH A FAST PACE that we're looking to purchase the area surrounding the museum in order to build out."

That's how well things have been going for the Mound Bayou Museum of African American Culture & History over the past year according to to its CEO, Darryl Johnson. Along with his brother, museum executive director Hermon Johnson, the two have overseen not only the growth of the museum dedicated to the civil rights legacy of the storied town where it is housed, but also the addition of an important new display.

"MGM Studios donated many items from the movie 'Till' about Emmett Till's life and death," says Johnson, "and we have a display devoted exclusively to it which we received just over the last year. It includes clothing and jewelry worn by actors in the movie along with new photos of the making of the film and of Emmett Till himself, as well. It has taken up one complete side of the museum."

Other noteworthy displays at the museum include the Dr. Alvin Simpson collection called "The Good, The Bad and The Ugly," as well as a display of costumes and pieces from the Jay-Z and Will Smith produced ABC television series, "Women Of The Movement."





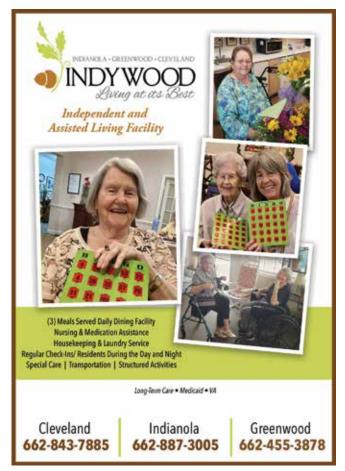


we are hosting visitors from all over the nation and also from all over the world," says Johnson. "Just recently during spring break, for example, I hosted a group of students from Notre Dame University and Virginia Tech and that's not unusual at all for us now. Student groups are coming in on a regular basis as are droves of individual tourists. We've been overwhelmed by the positive response the museum has received. It's now become known as a true destination site for those interested in Civil Rights history as well as the history of Mound Bayou as a sanctuary city during the height of that era."

More information on the Mound Bayou Museum, visit moundbayoumuseum.org. **WG** 









# GRAMMY Museum® Mississippi

# THE STARS ALIGNED IN CLEVELAND when GRAMMY Museum® Mississippi opened its doors in March 2016.

In the heart of Cleveland, Mississippi, a vibrant celebration of music awaits you at GRAMMY Museum Mississippi. Nestled on the campus of Delta State University, this state-of-the-art Museum has been a local treasure for over eight years.

GRAMMY Museum Mississippi, operated by the Cleveland Music Foundation, is a 28,000-square-foot haven that invites visitors to explore the wonders of music. Whether you're a seasoned music enthusiast or just curious about the tunes that shape our world, this museum offers a welcoming space for all.

Step inside to discover the newly renovated Mississippi Gallery, a room adorned with the autographs of iconic Mississippi artists. From Elvis Presley to B.B. King, the Museum pays tribute to the homegrown talent that has left an incredible mark on the global music scene.

With eleven permanent exhibits and two temporary showcases, GRAMMY Museum Mississippi takes you on a journey through the evolution of music. Experience the magic of live performances in the museum's 140-seat auditorium. It's an intimate space where artists and industry insiders bring the music to life, adding a touch of excitement to your visit.





**GRAMMY Museum Mississippi is** the most technologically-advanced music-themed museum in the South. The interactive museum focuses on the continuing musical achievements of Mississippians. Visitors can explore the history of music through more than 28,000 square feet of exhibits showcasing genres from rock and hip-hop to

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GRAMMY Museum Mississippi is not just a museum; it's a delightful journey into the melodies that shape our lives. Whether you're a local or a visitor, immerse yourself in the joy of music at this one-of-a-kind experience in our community. WG





















# OF THE BLUES?

The precise origins of the blues are lost to time, but one of the primal centers for the music in Mississippi was Dockery Farms. For nearly three decades the plantation was intermittently the home of Charley Patton (c. 1891-1934), the most important early Delta blues musician. Patton himself learned rom fellow Dockery resident Henry Sloan and fluenced many other musicians who came here, including Howlin' Wolf, Willie Brown, Tommy Johnson, and Roebuck "Pops" Staples.

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## Outdoors

## THE DELTA IS KNOWN FOR ITS OUTDOORS.

Hunters come South for the winter where hunting is plentiful, fisherman and outdoor sports enthusiasts come during the summer to take advantage of our many lakes.

The Mississippi River is the piece de resistance offering majestic sights of Old Man River. Terrene Landing is a prime location which opened for locals and visitors in the summer of 2021.

Fishing is a favorite pastime, and recently the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks opened Lake Charlie Capps to the general public for one-of-a-kind fishing opportunities.

It is stocked with bass, bream and the state's favorite fish—catfish.

In addition to hunting and fishing, Bolivar County offers a variety of outdoor activities, including birdwatching, boating and hiking.

The Mississippi flyway provides a natural setting for more than 200 species of birds, and the Dahomey National Waterfowl Refuge in Bolivar County is the perfect venue for sighting these beautiful creatures. Dahomey also provides seasonal hunting opportunities for deer, duck, turkey and wild hog. There are also nature trails, an observation tower and a butterfly garden on the premises.

Those looking for outdoor recreational activities can visit Perry











Martin Lake, where bass, white perch and catfish abound. Visitors can hike the nature trail through lush woodlands teeming with deer, turkey, a variety of birds and other wildlife.

Bolivar County is home to a variety of great fishing spots and lakes for bird watching and recreational activities that offer visitors and locals enjoyment yearround.

Another way to experience the outdoors in Cleveland, and also get some exercise, is making use of one of the many walking trails that Cleveland boasts. The downtown green strip holds a great walking track, and both visitors and locals can be seen using this from early morning until evening. Also, there is a track located on the intramural fields at Delta State University that is not only marked for distance, but has workout equipment as well. It is well-lit at night so the lack

of sunlight is not a deterrent.

A bike trail was also constructed in downtown Cleveland, complete with full lighting for nighttime visibility. Around 1.2 miles, this trail offers a smooth ride for any cyclist.

There are several parks in Cleveland that hold fun for the whole family. Bear Pen Park is home to a great playground, walking trail, tennis courts, baseball facilities and pond where you can feed the ducks. There is also a picnic area for gatherings.

Another local park is in the heart of Cleveland, called Fireman's Park. With soccer fields, baseball fields, a playground, tennis courts and a wading pool, this popular park also has a gathering space, gazebo and green space to enjoy a day outdoors. A mural painted on the side of the baseball hut provides an artistic flair to the park. WG

## \*WHAT I LOVE ABOUT BOLIVAR COUNTY



I love living in Bolivar County because it's home. I see God's handy work in the Delta sunsets. I feel his goodness in the friendly people I meet. And, I love the small town feel that is offered to my family.

**DUDLEY TRIBBLE**Cleveland Chief of Police



I love Bolivar County because it holds such fond memories from my childhood all the way through rearing my children here. From the farthest east at Dockery Plantation- birthplace of the blues- to the farthest west where Old Man River, Mighty Mississip' rolls along, Bolivar County is chock full of history, tales, stories, and lives well

lived. Cleveland being the hub has so very much to offer. Our town is clean and well kept, shopping is of highest quality at fair prices, entertainment cannot be beat, and the people are friendly and welcoming... whats NOT to love about Bolivar county!

JUDY LEDFORD
Retired



Bolivar County represents the best of the Mississippi Delta. We have the coolest music, the most exquisite dining, the best shopping, and some of the finest people to ever draw a breath. And, of course, I'm pretty fond of the local university!

NATHAN DUFF Staff Writer Delta State University



I love Bolivar County because it is full of hospitable people who don't have to know your name to greet you with a hearty hello and radiant smile! Also, having something to do weekly here with my family and friends is exciting to me, and I love it! From praising and worshipping God on Sunday and every day to eating a

delicious meal at one of our awesome restaurants and attending exciting events at the Bologna Performing Arts Center and Mississippi Grammy Museum, I simply can't go wrong! That's because whether it's a play, Blues or Gospel concert, or DSU college game, Bolivar County has it all! So, I hope many will visit us here to participate in the fun, peaceful, tasty foods, church, and zero traffic jam lifestyle that I experience daily with others here in Bolivar County! I do believe they will be glad they did!

**EDNA JOYCE ROUNDTREE-MCCOY** 

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As an artist and educator, Bolivar County holds a special place in my heart because of its vibrant community spirit and rich cultural landscape. Cleveland Main Street does a wonderful job showcasing local businesses and enhancing community

bonds. The county is abuzz with creativity, thanks in part to the Bologna Performing Arts Center's mainstage and educational initiatives, Delta State University's acclaimed programs, the Grammy Museum MS and so many more smaller local organizations that are dedicated to service within their community. The Delta Arts Alliance further elevates the cultural scene with arts education and outreach opportunities for all ages, uniting artists, residents and the greater Delta community. Alongside stunning natural sites like Great River Road State Park and Dahomey Refuge, Bolivar County emerges as a place where art, education, and community converge, fostering a vibrant atmosphere of creativity, learning, and unity.

#### **HOLLY SENTER**

Director of Arts Education Bologna Performing Arts Center

## \*WHAT I LOVE ABOUT BOLIVAR COUNTY \*



I love living in Bolivar County because my roots are here. Being raised in Duncan, attending high school in Shelby, and graduating from Delta State University make Bolivar County a part of me. I love it because no matter where I am in the county, it always feels like home. The people, the places, the food, the laughs, the tears, and the cheers are all why I love B.C.



I love Bolivar County for it's dedication to the arts - wherever you go, from Rosedale to Merigold and Alligator to Cleveland, you are likely to meet an artist. From painters, potters, musicians, dancers and sculptors, they're all here. The spirit of community is warm, open, sharing - so there's always room for more creativity and space to grow.

## DONNEL MAXIE Director of Communications and Marketing Mississippi Valley State University



I was born and raised in Bolivar County, and there was no hesitation when I decided to plant my roots here as an adult. From exploring the banks of the Mississippi River, visiting my father's farm, taking an afternoon shopping spree in downtown Cleveland, to knowing a familiar face in every restaurant I go in, the memories I've made here are

irreplaceable. It is easy to fall in love with the friendly faces and small town adventures that you encounter here in Bolivar County.



## Delta Arts Alliance It seems that half of

**MARSHALL BLEVINS** 

**Program Director** 

my college graduating class pulled off their robes, caught the City of New Orleans train, and headed straight to Chicago for better opportunities. I was among that group! Teachers were high in demand, and I immediately landed my first job as an English teacher in the Chicago Public School System. I loved the city life

- my first "real" paycheck, knee-deep snow in early October, great shopping in the Loop, countless cultural options, new and enduring friendships and, of course, so many other adventures. However, the pop group, Atlantic Star said it best, "When love calls, you better answer, don't let it slip away too many times, because love may not ever come again." So, "My Love" did call, and I did answer; and, after two exhilarating years in Chicago, I found myself in a place I had never been before – Bolivar County. Although I had lived in Mississippi for the first eighteen years of my life, I was not familiar with the Delta, an area my parents referred to as "down in the Delta." So, here I am, over fifty years later, still "down in the Delta" and in love with Bolivar County.

What has kept me here? First and foremost, I love the people here. They are kind, compassionate, no nonsense and giving. They are filled with that sense of community where neighbors help neighbors. Being a part of the religious community in Bolivar County has helped me to grow spiritually; and, I am surrounded by a circle of like-minded people who relate to me.

#### MAGGI MOSCO Freelance Graphic Designer



I love the diverse places here that tell the Mississippi Delta's rich cultural heritage stories including Dahomey National Wildlife Refuge, GRAMMY Museum Mississippi, the historic Black town of Mound Bayou, Delta Arts Alliance, and the Mississippi Delta Chinese Heritage Museum at Delta State University. I also love

the communities here that take tremendous pride and demonstrate great care in sharing these nationally significant stories.

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# Industry

BOLIVAR COUNTY HAS A BURGEONING NUMBER OF INDUSTRIES that have planted strong foundations and harvested much success in the land that normally brings grain to fruition.

Within the county, a strong employment base lends itself to major companies looking for a home. One industry segment—the medical industry—has found a home in Bolivar County.

Needle Specialty—a home grown business—opened in 1987 and processes all gauges, large and small, of tubing and wire with multiple designs for an abundance of medical devices in use today. Over 140 people are employed at Needle Specialty. Michael Belenchia took over in 2011 as owner after working in the company since 1993. Belenchia got his start in the medical field working at the county's oldest medical supplier—Baxter Healthcare.

In the 1950s, Baxter Healthcare came to Bolivar County to set up shop. The national company has grown to become the second largest industry outside of agriculture in the county. Baxter employs around 600 people. The Cleveland facility is Baxter's longest-operating manufacturing site in the country. The facility produces major medical device platforms including IV solution containers, administration sets and reconstruction devices.

With more than six decades of







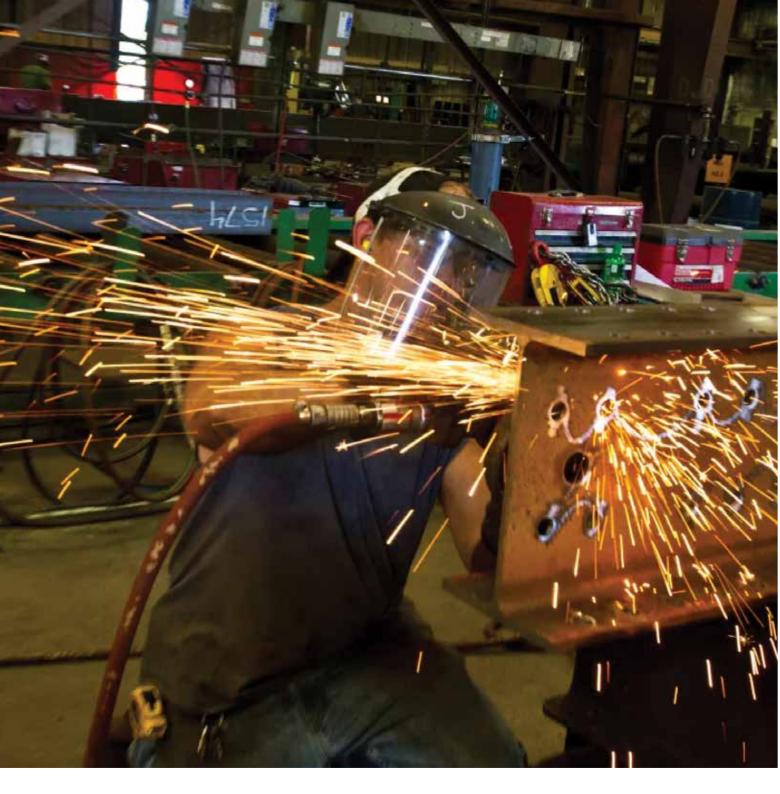


success in Bolivar County, Quality Steel Corporation—founded by Lowry Tims in 1957—has been manufacturing steel propane tanks. At its inception, it was only one of fifty manufacturers in the country. In 1975, Tims' sons took over after his passing. Currently Sean Wessel and Lynn Hardin serves as President.

Even in a shrinking market, QSC has maintained growth and garnered more market share. Today, QSC is one of only four American manufacturers still in the national market.

Located snugly between Jackson and Memphis and just a short drive to Little Rock or New Orleans, Cleveland and Bolivar County are perfectly situated for commercial travel either by highway or the river. And with a workforce that has Delta State University, Mississippi Delta Community College, Coahoma Community College and a thriving public and private school educational foundation, there are plenty of quality workers available. The schools, colleges and universities also provide job-training skills and work programs that benefit each industry.

The Mississippi River provides a pleasant backdrop for hunting and fishing but one of its main benefits it's the shipping route. For more than 200 years, the Mississippi River has been used to transport goods including



grain, wood, chemicals, petroleum products, coffee, coal, edible oils and much more. From commerce on the river in Rosedale to medical products and automotive industry parts, Bolivar County is home indeed.

One of the most important aspects of what makes industry successful in Bolivar County is the Port of Rosedale. The Port of Rosedale is Mississippi's top port in service and dependability, offering fast turns, flexibility and competitive pricing. The port is a total intermodal facility, offering unrivaled access to both the lower Mississippi River and the Arkansas River systems, the Port of Rosedale is strategically located only 100 miles from Memphis and within 500 miles of other major markets, including Houston, TX, Birmingham, AL and Atlanta GA.

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headquartered at the port. JANTRAN is part of the Support Activities for Water Transportation Industry and employs approximately 200 people. The Mid-South Division of Cives Steel is strategically located on the Mississippi River Rosedale port area which affords them the option to ship fabricated structural steel, ductwork, and large structural modules via barge. WG

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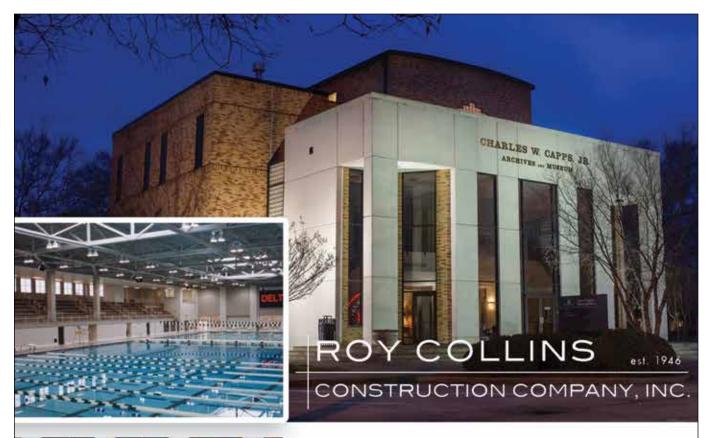
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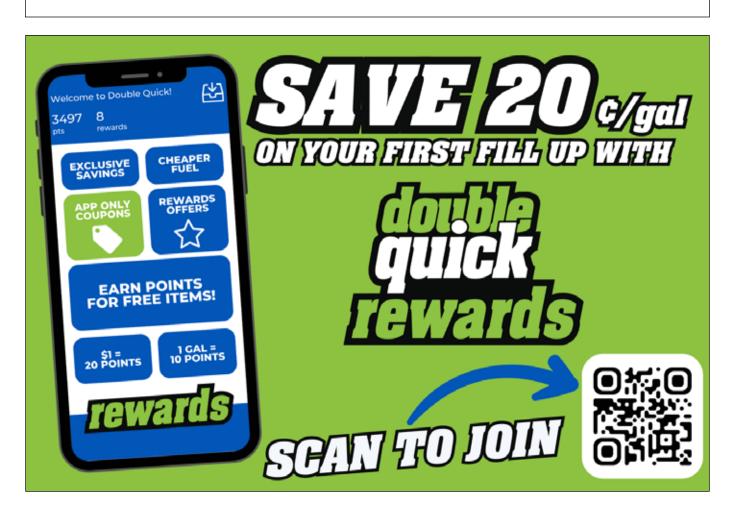
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## Rolling on the River

In the Western part of Bolivar County, the town of Rosedale offers direct access to the Mighty Mississippi. The river ebbs and flows and is ever-changing, but there is always an opportunity to witness its majesty.

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Residents in the Delta have great options for local care that utilize telemedicine practices at Bolivar Medical Center and North Sunflower Medical Center, both of which are home to state-of-the-art equipment and professionals who have years of experience in their chosen medical path.

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Bolivar Medical Center is a Joint Commission Accredited, CMS Deemed Status, 164-bed general acute care hospital located in Cleveland, Mississippi. It is a comprehensive healthcare facility that provides inpatient, outpatient and emergency department services.

It was originally East Bolivar County Hospital, and it was located on the current campus of Delta State University where the Robert E. Smith School of Nursing is located now. In 1962, a new building was constructed at 901 East Sunflower Road, and the hospital moved to allow for expansion and additional services. Growth continued during the next decade, so in 1971, amidst the closing of West Bolivar County Hospital in Rosedale, our hospital was renamed to Bolivar County Hospital and expanded a north wing. In September 1997, the hospital realized additional need for

space and services, so an Outpatient Rehabilitation facility and a Physicians' Office building were constructed. The name was updated to Bolivar Medical Center to reflect the medical center offerings.

Bolivar Medical Center continues to put patient safety and quality care at the forefront of everyday operations. The medical staff consists of active members whose specialties include cardiology, critical care, family practice, general surgery, internal medicine, nephrology, obstetrics/gynecology, orthopedics, pathology, pediatric dentistry, psychiatry, radiology and urology.

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To learn more about Bolivar Medical Center and its services, visit **BolivarMedical.com** 

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North Sunflower Medical Center has partnered with MS Center for Advanced Medicine (Pediatric Sub-Specialist), MS Sports Medicine and Southeast UROGYN to provide services that a patient would otherwise have to drive over two hours to receive, and employs medical staff specializing in wound care, pediatric and adult dentistry, general surgery, ENT, internal medicine, family practice and more.

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The Delta Health Center in Mound Bayou, located just north of Cleveland, has become a relied upon health resource for the residents there. The center provides primary care, dental care, OB/GYN services, family planning services, laboratory services, pharmacy services, X-ray services. social services. WIC Certification, EPSDT Screening and home health services. Delta Health Center operates ten community health centers in the Mississippi Delta.

The Taborian Hospital once was the main center for Mound Bayou health care needs but it closed back in 1983. The facility has been renovated and now serves the community as an urgent care center.

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I chose a career in healthcare because I wanted to make a difference in my patients' lives. Throughout my nursing career, I have been able to spend valuable moments with my patients on some of their best and worst

days. Now as an instructor, I enjoy playing a small role in preparing the next generation of nurses and nurse practitioners.

> - Mari Micci Bramuchi Shannon **Nursing Instructor** Robert E. Smith School of Nursing, DSU



I chose healthcare due to my grandmother, Argusta Jolly Pate. She always taught me it was about caring for the patient, and not collecting a paycheck. The reason I chose Nutrition/Dietetics was being able to help a

patient that was fed via a tube, to be able to sit down and watch them eat a meal. Knowing that I have helped someone is what drives me each day.

> - Brady Pate **Morrison Healthcare**



I love working in healthcare because I feel like I am able to see and be the hands and feet of Jesus in many different ways: giving ice cream to someone who hasn't eaten in days, sharing an activity with someone who

hasn't had visitors, being a listening ear, or just witnessing the way a healthcare team works together to provide for individuals in our community. Everyday I go to work I get to see a blessing in some way!

> - Lauren Aldridge **Speech Pathologist** NSMC, BMC and Advanced Physical Therapy



I chose nursing because it was my intended purpose (a calling) to help others with their health and overall well-being. From a very young age, I knew I was going to be a nurse. Now, I get to educate others to become

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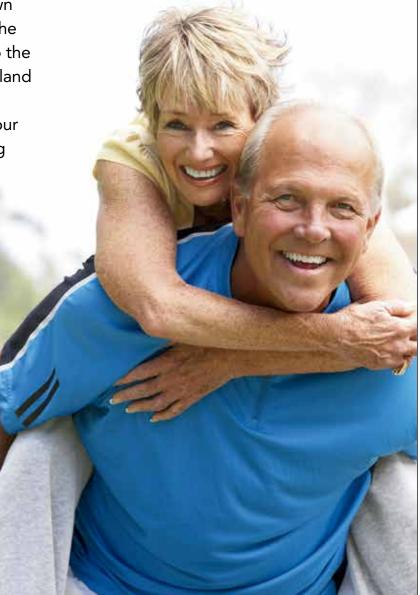
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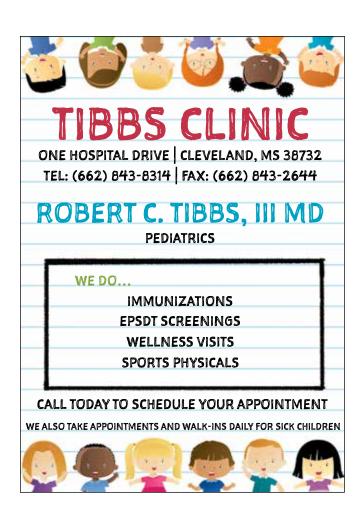


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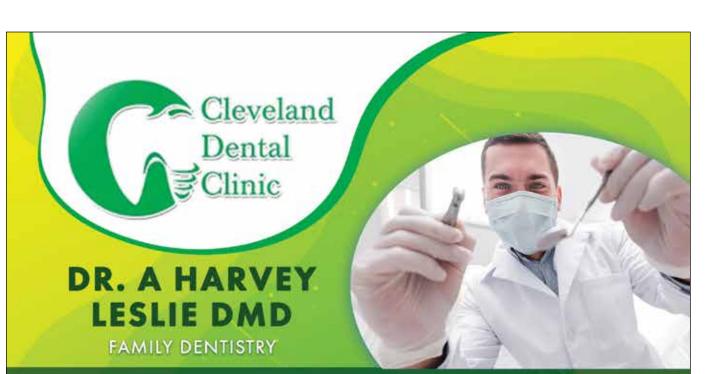
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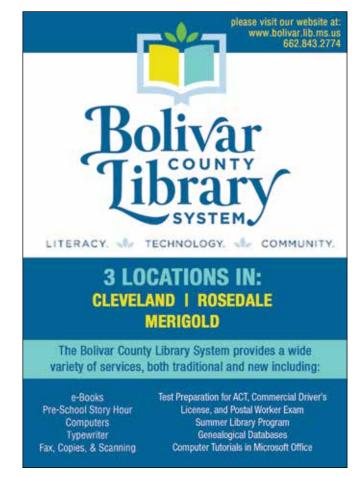
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When it was discovered that rich, fertile soil was native to Bolivar County, people migrated to the area to plant row after perfect row of corn, cotton, rice, soybeans, wheat and sorghum. It is that same soil that brought the first settlers to the area back in the 1800s, and they never looked back.

In the early years, Italians migrated to Bolivar County for sharecropping opportunities and remain some of the biggest farmers in the area today.

Most farms are passed down generation to generation, and Bolivar County farmers are a proud, sturdy lot that respect the land they cultivate.

It is a tradition and a heritage. In fact, farming remains the backbone of Bolivar County.

Agriculture is the No. 1 employer in the Delta.

It stands to reason that Bolivar is the top county in terms of acres farmed in the state of Mississippi.

While the county does not have the highest number of farmers in the state, Bolivar can boast as being the top producer in many crops. Visitors in agribusiness often comment how the county is home to some of the most savvy producers in the country.

Today, Bolivar County is the topproducing county for soybeans,







producing between 4,000,001 to 10,000,000 bushels per year. We are also the top-producing county in the state for wheat, harvesting between 1,400, 001 to 3,000,000 bushels yearly. The county can also boast as being the top producer in rice hundredweight, reaching between 2,000,001 and 4,000,000 per year.

With plentiful farmland and farmers, one is sure to find agribusiness. Hundreds of locals find employment through numerous fields related to farming.

From Ag pilots to chemical sales, the farming industry provides countless jobs and enriches the local economy.

Sanders Inc., which is now Simplot, was established in 1953 and called Cleveland its headquarters for many years.

Simplot continues the tradition of providing quality agricultural products to farmers in Bolivar County. Having a local office for this national company, continues to benefit the area.

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The most important reason that the Delta is a mecca for farming is the Mighty Mississippi River.

The fourth-longest river in the world contributes to the success of farming in more ways than one. Along with its many tributaries, the river enables the transportation of 316 million net tons of goods per year, including grain.

The river basin contains nutrientrich soil, which lends itself to the success of the Delta farmer.

Even with such fertile land, heritage and resources, area farmers are always looking to improve their crops.

Each year, the Delta Ag Expo is

held in Cleveland with seminars on the latest herbicides and seeds. Those in agribusiness bring information and the latest in combines and other equipment necessary for running a top-notch business.

Local farmers have also joined forces with the Mississippi State University Extension Service in Cleveland to maximize research-based information, educational programs and technology. This allows the Delta farmer to make informed decisions about his economic, social and cultural well-being.

Roots run deep in the Delta soil when it comes to local farmers.

They are dedicated to putting food on American tables and beyond. **WG** 

## \* WHY AGRICULTURE IS IMPORTANT\*



Since its inception, and by design, Bolivar County has been an agricultural territory. Agriculture in general, as well as the careers involved in such, drive our local economy. It supports our schools, local businesses, and communities. Agriculture helped foster the blues and BBQ that our area is known for.

- Chad Smith Shannon Agricultural Flying, Inc.







Agriculture is the livelihood of many people in our area. It is very important to Bolivar County because it produces more revenue than any other business.

Peggy Davis
 Retired



The ag industry is not only important to our state, but it is also important to our nation and our world. Agriculture is vitally important to our state's economy, and it affects all Mississippians, either directly or indirectly. Agriculture is Mississippi's largest employer, and it provides jobs for about thirty percent of our population. With Bolivar County being

the second largest county in Mississippi, and the largest ag producing county in our state, you can see why agriculture is important to us here in Bolivar County. Our farmers are putting wholesome food on our table. It is like someone said, and it was said best, if you eat, you are involved in agriculture.

Laura J. Giaccaglia
 Bolivar Extension Service







The entire economy we live in, especially in the Delta, revolves around farming and agriculture. It has been a big part of my life. Watching a crop from planting to harvest takes hard work and constant dedication from our local farmers.

- Bert Mann Retired

# Sports

SPORTS IS A MAJOR PART OF THE OUTDOOR EXPERIENCE and the community spirit of Cleveland and Bolivar County.

The Mississippi Delta is known for many things, including its sports icons that range from football great Archie Manning to Boston Red Sox pitcher, the late Dave "Boo" Ferriss. The Cleveland Park Commission provides many opportunities for local children and adults to get involved in. The CPC offers baseball, softball, coach pitch and t-ball in the spring, and flag football, tackle football, baseball, softball and basketball in the fall. Youth can also participate in soccer which is run by the Cleveland Youth Soccer Association.

There's something to do year-round at Cleveland's nine parks. There are nineteen ball fields, six tennis courts and one gymnasium that houses four youth basketball courts, two adult basketball courts and two volleyball courts.

It's always an active summer for local sports with fifty organized baseball teams and twenty-nine softball squads. There are thirty-eight youth basketball teams, and twenty-five youth soccer squads. If pigskin is your passion, Cleveland has eight flag football teams and eight tackle teams.

The Park Commission also





operates the East Side Swimming Pool and the Fireman's Park Wading Pool. Both open around Memorial Day and close at the end of July.

For those who like to compete in the pool, the Delta Aquatic Club is the place to be. The group is associated with USA Swimming and has more than thirty-five years of experience in developing swimmers. The Delta Ducks specialize in excellent small-group instruction throughout the year, and of course, jumping in the water is a great way to beat the Delta heat.

In addition to the year-round Park Commission athletic programs, Cleveland has a wonderful bowling alley. For those athletes who prefer a more non-traditional approach, there are several options for dance, gymnastics, cheer, and even karate.

High school sports are huge in Bolivar County. Cleveland Central High School and Bayou Academy have provided the community with some exciting teams in Cleveland. Teams at McEvans High School in Shaw, West Bolivar High School in Rosedale and Northside High School in Shelby have positively impacted the sports





landscape in the county. The teams at these schools have won numerous state championships in many sports which have brought a lot of prestige to Bolivar County.

Clevelanders are sure to show up at Delta State University to cheer on the Statesmen and Lady Statesmen. There is always the opportunity in season to catch a good game on the baseball diamond at Ferriss Field. The Statesmen are consistently one of the best teams in NCAA Division II and have the 2004 National Championship trophy to prove it. DSU baseball dates back to 1933, and the team has been to the College World Series ten times. The Statesmen have also appeared at the NCAA Tournament twenty-six times and have eleven Gulf South Conference Championships with 1,731 league wins. More than sixty former DSU players have seen time in Major League Baseball and forty-nine Statesmen have earned All-American status.

The namesake of Delta State's incredible baseball field is Boston Red Sox Hall-of-Famer Dave "Boo" Ferriss, who started coaching the Statesmen

in 1960. Sadly in November of 2016, Coach Ferriss passed away. His legacy will forever be a part of the history of Delta State University.

Southerners cannot get enough football, and we especially enjoy watching the Statesmen play at Travis Park Field in Horace McCool Stadium in Cleveland. With a state-of-the-art video board recently installed and artificial turf featuring a patented GeoFlo shock pad and drainage system, the Statesmen always look good. DSU boasts the NCAA Division II National Championship from 2000.

In the winter, the Statesmen and Lady Statesmen fans fill the seats of the Walter Sillers Coliseum to watch men's and women's basketball as the teams compete on the Lloyd Clark Court. The Lady Statesmen have earned six nationals championship, three A.I.A.W and three NCAA Division II titles. "The Mother of Modern Women's Collegiate Basketball," Margaret Wade amassed a career record of 465-85 and led DSU to three straight A.I.A.W National Championships. Wade's success was fueled by the play of star center Lusia Harris. Harris was the top player

on the Lady Statesmen national championship teams in the 1970s. Harris' success enabled her to lead Team USA to a gold medal in the Pan American Games in 1975 and a silver medal in the Olympics in 1976. Harris is officially the only woman drafted by the NBA as she was picked in the seventh round of the NBA Draft by the New Orleans Jazz in 1977. Unfortunately, Harris passed away on Jan. 18, 2022. An Academy Award nominated documentary on her life titled, "The Queen of Basketball" was released in 2021.

Delta State University's swimming and diving programs are among the elite in nation as their swimmers have won six individual NCAA Division II National Championships. DSU has also had success in golf, softball, soccer and cross country. DSU baseball has won fifteen GSC Championships and has appeared in the NCAA Tournament thirty-three times. The Statesmen baseball team has won 2,019 games in their history.

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## \* FROM YOUR LOCAL SPORTS REPORTER \*

I have lived in Cleveland my whole life, and have watched sports since I was a child.

One of the greatest privileges I have ever had is to be able to write sports in the county where I was born. I've gotten a chance to see so many great young players at all levels of athletics. These young people give their teams so much life. The coaches I've gotten a chance to meet have contributed so much to this community. The fans, cheerleaders, band and dance team provide a lot of excitement to the atmosphere at an event. The cheers and the music always gets the blood pumping.

Watching sports in the summer time is a blessing as you see many children having fun at the parks.

There are plenty of sports options in Cleveland and Bolivar County for kids and adults. As a sports reporter, I have covered swimming, tennis, basketball, volleyball, football,

baseball, etc. I have even seen one of our local residents compete for a mixed martial arts championship. The avenues that a person can take to participate in a sport are limitless. Right now in the college ranks, we have over 70 athletes competing in 10 different sports.

Being in this career for over twentyfive years, I've had the chance to cover many young athletes and watch them grow to be fine upstanding adults that are contributing in a major way to our communities.

Sports have always been an important part of Bolivar County, and they continue to impact lives everyday. Anytime you see one of our youth league teams hit the field or high school teams suit up, stop and catch the action. If you want to join a team, don't be afraid to sign-up. The young athletes appreciate all the support they can get. As I continue to cover our athletes, I see many bright futures

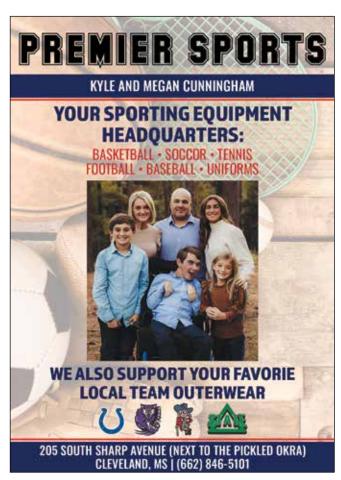


that have the potential to make this community even better.

If you feel like getting away and enjoying the sites, see what games are playing and have some fun. One thing is for sure, Bolivar County is the place to be for great sports.

#### **Andy Collier**

Sports Editor, The Bolivar Bullet





# Education =

# EDUCATION IS THE KEY TO A SUCCESSFUL COMMUNITY and Cleveland continues to support and grow its elementary, middle and high school.

The Cleveland School District is made up of ten pre-collegiate campuses. The district is composed of one high school, Cleveland Central High School, and one middle school, Cleveland Central Middle School, and six elementary schools, Pearman Elementary, Parks Elementary, B.L. Bell Academy, H.M. Nailor Elementary, Hayes Cooper Center and Cypress Park Elementary.

Hayes Cooper Center, B.L. Bell Academy, and H.M. Nailor Elementary School are all Magnet Schools.

Magnet Schools promote academic opportunity and excellence over their regular counterparts. They offer attractive programs and instructional strategies that are specifically designed to hold the interest of the students and to keep them engaged and actively learning.

All students at one of these schools receive the core curriculum enhanced by the magnet school's theme. In addition, the students have the opportunity to match their interests to the school theme while focusing on excellence in academics.

Bolivar County Head Start has six locations in and around the Cleveland area for Preschool age children. This is a Federally funded program that is income based. BCHS









is a comprehensive program that ensures that all children are afforded physicals, dental visits, eye exams and speech and hearing screenings. The educational curriculum implemented is aligned with the Mississippi Early Learning Standards and Guidelines and the Head Start Early Learning Outcomes Framework. Also, all the Centers are NAEYC accredited.

The Cleveland Career Development and Technology Center also calls the district home. The center caters to the needs of students who are seeking a more hands-on approach to learning.

There are also two independent schools in the county, Presbyterian Day School, which is a kindergarten through sixth grade elementary institution, and Bayou Academy, which is for K-3 to 12th grades.

In addition, there is a Classical Conversations homeschool community that meets in Cleveland, as well as an organization for all homeschoolers in the area, the Delta Home Educators Association.

Learning does not stop at the end of the school day, either, as The Cleveland Depot/Bolivar County Literacy Council is an asset to the community on many levels.

A small staff and volunteers work with many area children after school to



help further guide them in all areas of study.

Adults and teenagers also benefit from the availability of GED and ACT prep classes, giving those who want to further their education a better chance to succeed.

A literacy class is available for those who wish to advance their education in classic areas of reading, writing and arithmetic while also being given more modern opportunities to learn technology.

A class that teaches English as a second language is also an option and a great example of how the program has grown—and continues to grow.

Young adults from near and far have the opportunity to attend Delta State University. This four-year university offers numerous bachelor's and master's degrees.

From teaching and nursing to aviation and music, Delta State University is a mecca for education and preparation for life after college.

Mississippi Delta Community College and Coahoma Community College are not located in Bolivar County but are not far away, and many students choose these institutions for their many offerings in the areas of technology.

From automotive technology to the culinary arts, these community colleges give two-year intensive training for students. **WG** 





#### \* WHY I LOVE EDUCATION IN BOLIVAR COUNTY \*



One of the main reasons I love working in education is because I get the opportunity to make a positive impact on the lives of children in Bolivar County. I get to see firsthand the passion with which my teachers devote their time and efforts to their students' successes. I love seeing students improve their learning skills and meet their individual goals that they have set for themselves. It is beyond rewarding to see our students

progress in all aspects of their lives. In Bolivar County, our community is constantly supporting us in any and every aspect of education and it makes all the difference in our students' and teachers' lives. This is one of the top reasons I love education in Bolivar County. Everyone coming together to do what is right and what is best for the kids.

- Holly Wells Principal, Parks Elementary







I love teaching because it's exciting. Everyday, I'm given the opportunity to interact with so many curious minds. I love teaching them in a fun and creative way. I love seeing my students learn and progress and their smiles are priceless.

Katha Brown
 CL3 Headstart



The main reason I became a teacher is children are our future! Secondly, I knew when choosing this career that I wanted to have a career that would allow me to be with my kids as much as possible. Becoming a teacher would allow me to

have a hands on part of the academic education as well as have the same schedule as them for holidays and summer vacation. As they grew up this transitioned into being able to attend all their school wide sporting events they participated in.



- Katie Herbison Bayou Academy





Bolivar County is near and dear to my heart. I am a product of the Cleveland School District within Bolivar County. I am proud to be a teacher in this community as we put a great emphasis on ensuring that our students are receiving a good quality education.

- Ashley Hardenburgh
Parks Elementary



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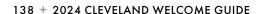
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# Religion =

BEFORE CLEVELAND SPORTS ENTHUSIASTS HEAD TO A BALL FIELD ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON, many take a seat on a church pew.

The Cleveland and Bolivar County community can boast of many denominations and places of worship giving citizens and visitors a variety of places to attend church. WG





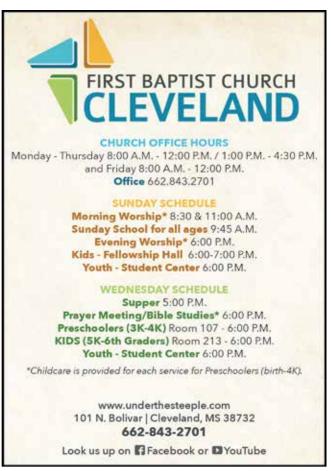




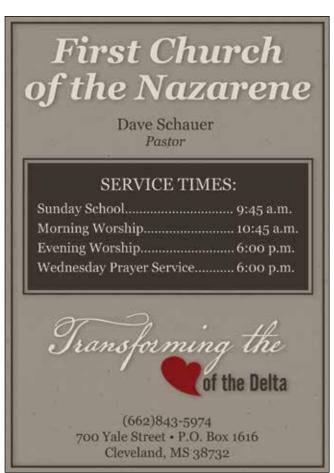




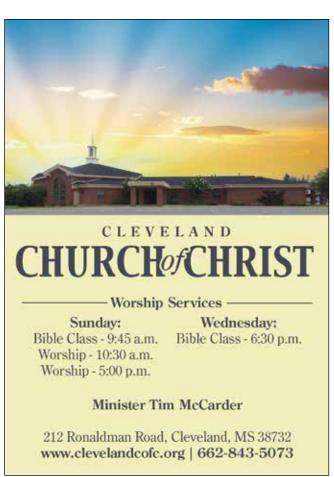




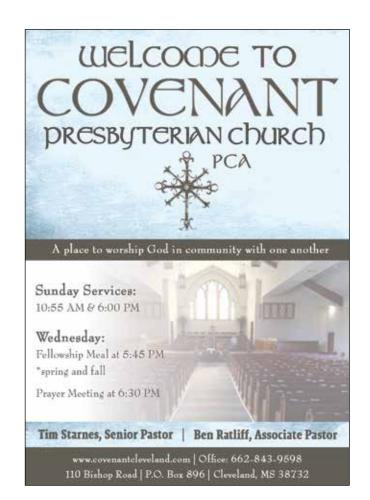


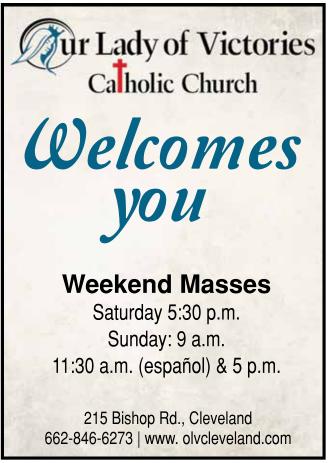












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- **3** Plus Camp is a one-week-long, performance-oriented day camp where campers of all ages learn about music, dance, visual arts and crafts. This yearly event, which is held at the Bologna Performing Arts Center on the campus of Delta State University, offers young emerging artists a chance to explore their talents.
- **4** The Sanders Soundstage, located inside Grammy Museum MS, is an intimate state-of-the-art theater perfect for seminars, up close and personal musical performances and meetings. The theater seats 130 and is available for rent.

## LIFE \* LOCAL LIFE \* LOCAL LIFE





- **5** If top-notch accommodations are in order, look no further than the excellent choices in Cleveland. The Cotton House, as well as the West End District are both outstanding and offer guests all the amenities needed for a welcoming visit.
- **6** McCartys Pottery, founded by the late Lee and Pup McCarty, is located in the bustling little town of Merigold. The much sought after pottery brings visitors from around the world to Merigold each year. The legacy of this well-known brand continues today under the watchful eyes of the McCartys' godsons, Jamie and Stephen Smith.

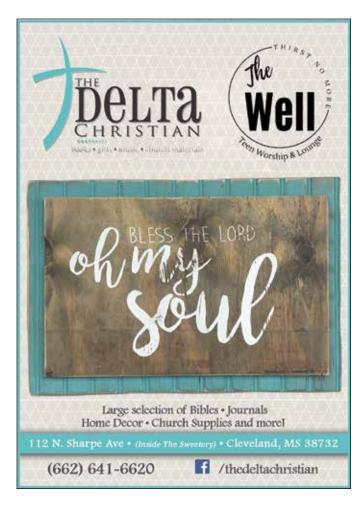




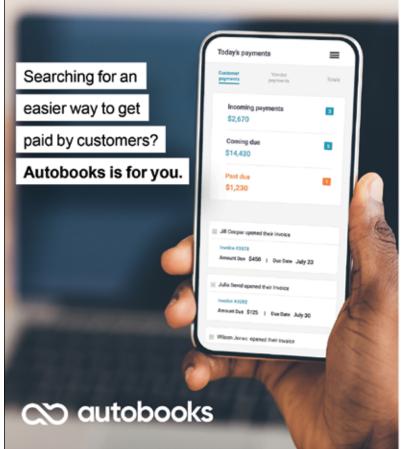
**7** Octoberfest is the largest festival held each year in Bolivar County. The event is jam packed with arts and entertainment for the entire family. And, there is also a TON of food! The classic BBQ battle is one of the highlights of the weekend. Arts and crafts vendors converge on the downtown green strip and offer attendees the chance to procure unique and original items.

**8** Live music options are bountiful in Bolivar County. From Hey Joe's, Airport Grocery, The Delta Roots events and the Blue Levee in Rosedale, there are many opportunities to pull up a chair and enjoy the show. Even the "young'uns" get in on the action!









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The fire department is, and always has been, very supportive of community projects. The department started the first little league baseball program. This league has grown into what is now the City of Cleveland Park Commission. The department bought property and filled in the area with many loads of dirt to form the city park now known as Fireman's Park, WG

CLEVELAND THE BOLIVAR COUNTY VOLUNTEER where DEPARTMENT WAS volunteers cover our city, CHARTERED with the is a significant community Mississippi Secretary of State's Office in 1974. The department has stations Cleveland, Scott, Gunnison and Duncan.

> Today, the Bolivar County Volunteer Fire Department services 928 square miles, including the communities of Shaw, Boyle, Renova, Merigold, Duncan, Alligator, Gunnison, Beulah, Benoit, Scott, Round Lake, Symmond, Rosedale, Shelby, and Pace. Approximately eighty-five volunteers staff thirteen engines, five water tankers, two rescue trucks, three brush fire trucks and a ladder truck. The department answers approximately 320-350 calls annually. Calls can be for just about any type of emergency imaginable: farm equipment rescue, gas leaks, building fires, airplane crashes, barge fires on the Mississippi River, automobile accidents with entrapment, and grass/ field fires. WG











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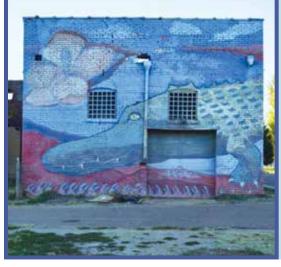
#### **MOUND BAYOU**

One of the nation's most historic African American culture sites is Mound Bayou, the oldest town in America founded by former slaves. Mound Bayou was founded in 1887 by ex-slaves Isaiah T. Montgomery and Benjamin T. Green. Montgomery's home still stands nearby as a monument to the enterprise of newly freed slaves; the structure is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. On the grounds of Mound Bayou's City Hall is a carved wooden plaque depicting famous black Americans. Mound Bayou is also home to the creative artisans at Peter's Pottery. Started in 1998 by the four Woods brothers, the studio has produced pottery for fans worldwide.



#### **MERIGOLD**

To the north of Cleveland lies the small town of Merigold, home to Crawdad's Restaurant and the world-famous McCartys Pottery, started by Lee and Pup McCarty.



#### **ALLIGATOR**

This rural community lies off of the blues music thoroughfare, Highway 61. Many residents choose Alligator, not for its unique name, but for the quiet living it affords. It is also popular for tourists in search of the Alligator mural, painted by Delta State art professor Cetin Oguz.

#### **DUNCAN**

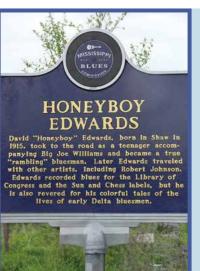
Duncan is home to old structures that once were the life's blood of the town. History and a storied past highlight this small city north of Cleveland.





#### **BENOIT**

This small town, located along Scenic Highway 1, is not only known for its proximity to the river, but also as the location for the cult-classic film, Baby Doll, which was shot on Hollywood Plantation at the Burrus House, right. This is the only remaining antebellum home in Bolivar County, and was just recently restored to grandeur.



#### **SHAW**

Shaw is a city in both Bolivar and Sunflower counties. The name was derived from an old Indian tribe that settled northeast of the region. Shaw gained national attention in 1971 when a group of local residents led by Andrew Hawkins sued the town for violating their Fourteenth Amendment right to equal protection under the law. The Circuit Court ruled in favor of the plaintiffs and ordered Shaw to equalize access to public services such as fire hydrants, water mains, sewers and street paving.

#### WINSTONVILLE

This area was once home to the Harlem Inn, where acts such as Ike and Tina Turner, B.B. King and Little Milton came to rock the house. Unfortunately, the Harlem Inn is no longer, but the spot where it once stood is marked on the Mississippi Blues Trail.





#### **SHELBY**

The town of Shelby may be small, but it's large in soul. This close-knit community produced such great musicians as Mississippi Slim and Erma Franklin, sister of Aretha Franklin, jazz great Gerald Wilson, as well as famed bluesman Henry Townsend, for whom there is a Blues Trail marker in his honor.



#### **ROSEDALE**

This riverside town was made famous by bluesman Robert Johnson in one of his songs and later Cream's rendition of "Crossroads." The historic Rosedale courthouse recently underwent renovations to restore it to its former glory. Bolivar County has two county seats, one in Cleveland and one in Rosedale. The present-day courthouses were both originally built in the early 1920's.



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The Chamber offers many committees and task forces including but not limited to: Community Development, Education, Delta State Community Action Committee, Keep Cleveland Beautiful,

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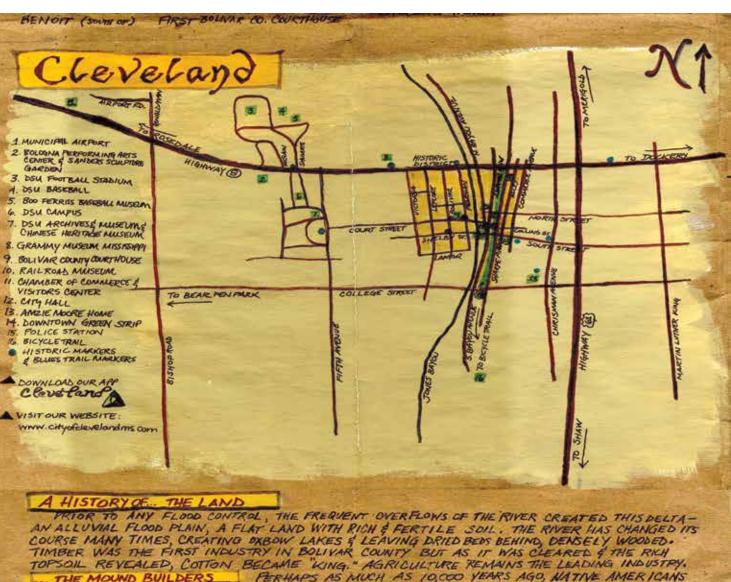
MOUND BAYOU

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WAXHAW

FOUNDED BY FORMER SLAVES IN 1881,
THIS COMMUNITY IS THE MOST UNIQUE &
ONE OF THE MOST HISTORIC IN THE COUNTY,
VISIT THEIR HERITAGE TRAIL THAT INCLUDES HISTORIC SITES SUCH AS THE TABORIAN HOSPITAL, THE MOUND BAYOU BANK & THE FOUNDERS HOME.

COUNTY SEAT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT, THE ROSEDALE HISTORIC DISTRICT INCLUDES THE COURTHOUSE, GRACE EPISCOPHL CHURCH, THE SILLERS HOWE



THE MOUND BUILDERS PERHAPS AS MUCH AS 10,000 YEARS AGO, NATIVE AMERICANS INHABITED THE AREA. CHOCTAINS WERE THE PREDOMINANT TRIBE ALTHOUGH OTHERS SUCH AS THE QUAPAW, WERE ALSO PRESENT. AS NATIVE AMERICANS WERE MOVED WESTWARD THEY LEFT BEHIND MOUNDS THEY HAD BUILT FOR CEREMONIES, DWELLINGS, & BURIALS.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI WAS ADMITTED TO THE UNION, BOLIVAR COUNTY WAS STILL A WILDERNESS EARLY SETTLEMENT BEGAN ALONG THE RIVERSIDE, UNDER CONSTANT THREAT OF FLOODING. THE FIRST, INDIVIDUAL ATTEMPTS AT LEVEE BUILDING WERE NOT SUCCESSFUL. NOT UNTIL 1917 DID THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT BEGIN A LEVEE SYSTEM. AFTER THE 1921 FLOOD MORE IMPROVEMENTS WERE MADE WAS STILL A WILDERNESS.

THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER & ITS TRIBUTARIES WERE THE PRIMARY ROUTES OF TRAVEL UNTIL 1884 WHEN THE LNOST RR LAID TRACKS THROUGH THE EASTERN EDGE OF THE DELTA. IN 1890 A RIVERSIDE BRANCH WAS ADDED, FOLLOWED BY A CROSS-COUNTY LINE, ONCE CONNECTED, NICKNAMED THE "PEAVINE." THE RAILROAD BROUGHT SHAM POWER, VASTLY AIDING IN CLEARING THE TIMBER. THE MANY SPUR LINES INTO THE INTERIOR OF THE

COUNTY CREATED SMALL COMMUNITIES AND SAWMILL OPERATIONS.

CLEVELAND FOR THE FIRST STEAM LOCOMOTIVES, A TINY SAWMILL VILLAGE REFERRED TO AS COLEMAN ON THE EARLY RAILROAD MAPS, WAS THE MIDWAY STOP BETWEEN MEMPHIS & VICKSBURG. IN 1886, THE TOWN WAS INCORPORATED AS CLEVELAND. IN 1900 TOWN WAS DESIGNATED AS THE COUNTY SEAT, 2ND JUDICIAL DISTRICT. IN 1924 DELTA STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE WAS ESTABLISHED. THE CITY OF CLEVELAND HAS BEEN NAMED ONE OF THE TOP 40 SMALL THANS & VISIT,

VARIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES - THE RIVER, TIMBER, AGRICULTURE, THE RALLROAD, THE NEEDS OF GROWING COMMUNITIES BOLLVAR COUNTY ATTRACTED REDUCE FROM MANY PLACES, BEDVING 4 TRUE "MELTING POS." WE ARE
ENGLISH SCOTTISH LOISU GERMAN FOR MANY PLACES, BEDVING 4 TRUE "MELTING POS." WE ARE ENGLISH, SCOTTISH, IRISH, GERMAN, FRENCH, AFRICAN-AMERICAN, ITALIAN, CHINESE, LEBANESE, JEWISH, HISPANIC, FILIPINO, IN RECENT YEARS, EVEN MORE NATIONALITIES CALL THIS HOME.

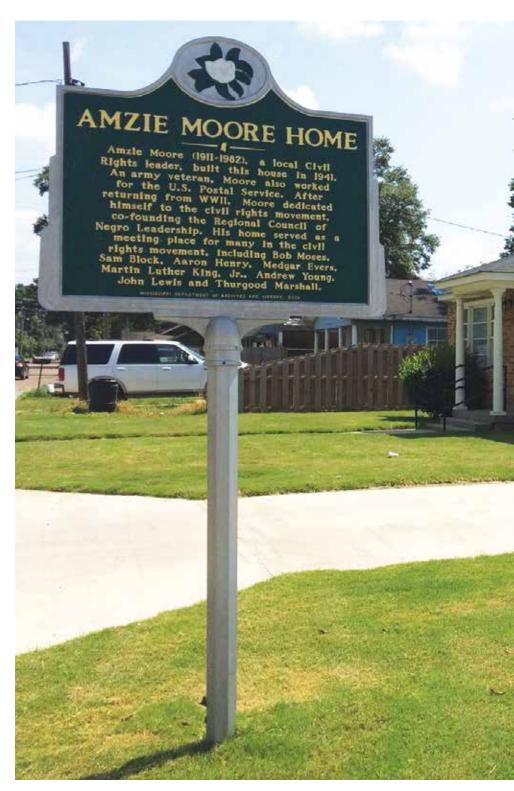
# Civil Rights \_\_\_ & The Blues

Bolivar County, Mississippi, and the area just around it, is a place where history comes alive - especially when viewed through the lens of America's civil rights struggles. In fact, some of the most significant, if lesser known, civil rights landmarks are right here in our area, and you can see all of them over the course of a day.

Step back in time as you visit the Amzie Moore House in Cleveland, a humble abode with an extraordinary legacy. Here, civil rights leader Amzie Moore laid the groundwork for change, using this very house as a hub for activism and a sanctuary for those seeking justice. You can feel the echoes of history as you walk through the rooms where strategies were planned and dreams of equality took shape.

Continue your journey to Ruleville, where the Fannie Lou Hamer Statue stands tall, a tribute to one of the most fearless voices of the Civil Rights Movement. Fannie Lou Hamer's unwavering commitment to equality and her tireless efforts in organizing voter registration drives continue to inspire us today. Take a moment to reflect on her courage and determination as you stand in the shadow of her statue.

For a deeper dive into our history, make your way to the Mound Bayou Museum, a treasure trove of artifacts and stories from one of the first self-governing all-black municipalities in the United States. Discover the vibrant community that thrived here, forging a path towards economic independence and racial solidarity. Through exhibits





and displays, gain insight into the struggles and triumphs of those who paved the way for progress.

No Civil Rights tour of the Delta would be complete without paying homage to Emmett Till, whose tragic murder ignited a firestorm of activism and brought the horrors of racial violence to the forefront of national consciousness. Explore the Emmett Till Interpretive Center in nearby Sumner, and pause at the marker that commemorates the site where his body was discovered. Just southeast of Cleveland in Money is the site of Bryant's Grocery, where this tragic story began.

Finally, indulge in a taste of history at the Country Platter 2 restaurant in Cleveland, where civil rights activists and leaders like Amzie Moore, Medgar Evers, and even Martin Luther King would have lunch when traveling through the area.

In Bolivar County, every landmark is a testament to the resilience and determination of those who fought for equality. Join us as we honor their legacy and continue the journey towards a more just and inclusive future. Cleveland and Bolivar County is a destination where history is not just preserved but celebrated, inviting visitors to connect with the past and be inspired to shape a better tomorrow.

To learn more about Cleveland and Bolivar County's Civil Rights sites, and to view maps of the many locations, visit www.visitclevelandms.com/civil-rights-trail. WG

The Delta Blues has many roots in Cleveland and Bolivar County, with stops along famous roadways like the "Blues Highway," Highway 61, as well as the Great River Road, Highway 1. Many of these unique towns contain Mississippi Blues Trail markers that tell the story of how the blues influenced the world.

#### BLUFS TRAIL MARKERS IN BOLIVAR COUNTY BY DRIVE

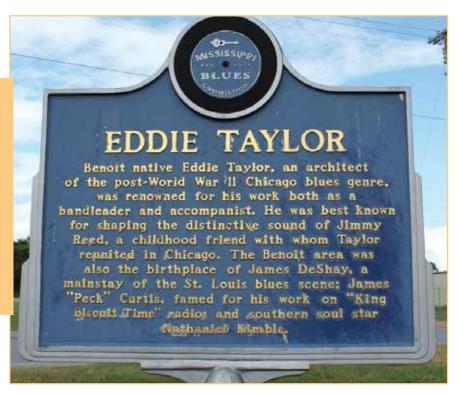
HIGHWAY 61 MARKERS (NORTH TO SOUTH)

- 1 ALLIGATOR BLUES / ALLIGATOR / LAKE STREET
- 2 BLUES LEGENDS OF DUNCAN / DUNCAN / EAST MAIN & PARK STREET
- 3 THE HARLEM INN / WINSTONVILLE / ML KING DRIVE & MIXON STREET
- 4 MOUND BAYOU BLUES / MOUND BAYOU / WEST MAIN STREET
- 5 HENRY TOWNSEND / SHELBY / BROADWAY & 2ND AVENUE
- 6 PO MONKEY'S / MERIGOLD / PO MONKEY ROAD
- 7 W.C. HANDY / CLEVELAND / COURT STREET & PEARMAN AVENUE
- 8 CHRISMAN STREET MARKER / CLEVELAND / CHRISMAN STREET
- 9 GOSPEL & THE BLUES / CLEVELAND / RUBY STREET
- 10 THE BIRTHPLACE OF THE BLUES / DOCKERY FARMS / HIGHWAY 8 EAST
- 11 THE PEAVINE / BOYLE / HIGHWAY 446 & ILLINOIS CENTRAL AVENUE
- 12 HONEYBOY EDWARDS / SHAW / WHITE OAK STREET



Henry 'Mule" Townsend, the only blues artist who recorded every decade from the 1920's to the 2000's, was born in Shelby on October 27, 1909. Townsend was a longtime resident of St. Louis where he was hailed as a patriarch of the local blues scene. He died on September 24, 2006. A master guitarist and pianist, he played an integral role in the vital St. Louis blues scene of the 1920's 30's and 40's.

Eddie Taylor (January 29, 1923 December 25, 1985) is revered as one of the most influential guitarists in Chicago blues history, known for his versatility, impeccable timing, and consummate musicianship. As a child Taylor was influenced by Delta bluesmen Charley Patton, Son House, Big Joe Williams, and Robert Johnson, but learned to play guitar from a musician named "Popcorn." Taylor performed in local jukes around Leland and Clarksdale and taught guitar to Jimmy Reed in nearby Meltonia. In the 1940s he moved to Memphis and then to Chicago, where he helped pioneer the city's new electric blues style.





### TRAVELING THE RIVERSIDE BLUES

HIGHWAY 1 MARKERS (NORTH TO SOUTH)

- 13 OTIS CLAY / GUNNISON / WAXHAW ROAD
- 14 HOT TAMALES & THE BLUES / ROSEDALE / HIGHWAY 1 & BROWN STREET
- 15 ROSEDALE & THE RIVERSIDE BLUES / ROSEDALE / RAILROAD AVENUE & BROWN STREET
- 16 EDDIE TAYLOR / BENOIT / HIGHWAYS 1 & 448
- 17 EDDIE SHAW / BENOIT / HIGHWAYS 1 & 448
- 18 MISSISSIPPI RIVER BLUES / SCOTT / SALISBURY AVENUE & DEER CREEK DRIVE



Otis Clay, one of America's premier singers of soul and gospel music, was born in Waxhaw on February 11, 1942. His storied journey to international renown began at the age of four at the Tree of Life Missionary Baptist Church here, where he attended school and sang with a family gospel group. Clay first performed professionally with gospel quartets in Chicago. He started recording soul music in the 1960s and maintained a unique and successful career singing both sacred and secular music.



#### CHARLEY PATTON

Marker out front. The cafe is a great spot for hot tamales and hot tamales ONLY!

Charley Patton was born in Hinds County, but lived most of his life in the Mississippi Delta. Considered by many to be the "Father of the Delta Blues," he created an enduring body of American muscle and inspired vast numbers of blues musicians. He is considered to be one of the most important American musicians of the twentieth century.



#### THE PEAVINE

"Pea Vine Blues" by Charley Patton, is one of many blues songs about railways—a popular metaphor for escape as well as the primary means by which African Americans left the South during the Great Migration. The song's meaning was clear to Delta residents, but obscure to others. Patton's song inspired other recordings on the "peavine" theme by artists including John Lee Hooker, Big Joe Williams, Mississippi Fred McDowell, Charlie Musselwhite, and Rory Block, among others.

## \*LOOK WHO HAS VISITED \*

## Many famous musicians, artists, movie stars and politicians have traveled to our town.

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The Rolling Stones **President Theodore Roosevelt Geoff Emerick** Engineer of The Beatles Lynyrd Skynyrd Gene Hackman **Travis Tritt Emma Stone** The Bangles Ray Charles Sara Evans Tanya Tucker **Amy Grant** Vince Gill Clint Black **Faye Dunaway Hillary Clinton** Vice President Al Gore Derek St. Holmes Ted Nugent Band **Peyton Manning** Eli Manning **Archie Manning** James Burton, guitarist for Elvis Billy Gibbons, ZZ Top John Grisham William Faulkner **George Plimpton** Roy Rogers & Dayle Evans **Branford Marsalis** Jason Isbell **Tony Joe White** Tom Brokaw **Britt Hume** Andy Lack

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