events calendar

JACKSON

February 7

The Diabetes Foundation of Mississippi hosts the Bacchus Ball 6:30-11:30 p.m. at the Country Club of Jackson. Wear your finest and bring your dancing shoes as The Atlanta All Stars, the South's most authentic Motown, Soul and R&B band, wows you with a dazzling display of musical talent! Bid on incredible artwork, jewelry, sports memorabilia, and amazing deals as part of the silent and live auctions. 601.978.7878 or msdiabetes.org.

February 11

Alta Woods Baptist Church presents John Maxwell's Fish Tale production, The Story of Peter. Dinner at 5:00 p.m. Performance at 5:30 p.m. Tickets \$10. 601.372.8651.

February 21

First Baptist Jackson hosts Navigate, a single adult conference with six seminars, engaging speakers, and roundtable discussions. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at First Baptist Church, Contact Gwen Jenkins at gjenkins@fbcj.org.



February 28

New Summit School hosts its 15th Annual **Drawdown** in their gym at 1417 Lelia Drive. 6–9 p.m. Live entertainment, heavy hors d'oeurvres, \$5,000 drawdown, and silent auction \$100 ticket admits two 601.982.7827 or newsummitschool.com.

February 28

Beth Israel Congregation at 5315 Old Canton Road presents Jewish Bible Scholar Dr. Joel Hoffman, author of And God Said lectures "On the Bible's Cutting Room Floor." Learn about fascinating ancient texts that were cut from the Bible. Dessert reception follows. 7 p.m. Free and open to the public. 601.956.6215.

February 28

Covenant Presbyterian Pre-K, 5K and 1-Mile Fun Run family event begins and ends at Covenant Presbyterian Church at 4000 Ridgewood Road. Prizes in every age group. Pre-register at racesonline.com/events/covenant-pre-k-5k or Race day registration at 7 a.m. at the church. 601.981.7236 or TreyWeir@comcast.net.

CLINTON

February 6

Van Cliburn Award winning pianist Sean Chen performs at Mississippi College's Swor Auditorium. 7:30 p.m. Details and tickets available at mc.edu/marketplace.

February 7

Bob Coleman Winter 10K Run/5K Walk. 8

a.m. Out-and-back course on the Natchez Trace Parkway, Clinton, I-20 East/West, Exit 34, then south to first parking lot. Registration on Race Day at 7 a.m. All proceeds benefit CARA. mstrackclub.com or 601-856-9884.

RIDGELAND

February 21

Make a Difference 5K race sponsored by SouthGroup Insurance and benefitting Blair E. Batson Children's Hospital. Course begins and ends at Woodlands Office Park at County Line Road in Ridgeland. Kids area including space jumps, face painting, and balloons.

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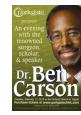
TUPELO

February 7

Muddy 5K benefitting the Tupelo Preparatory School. 8:30–9:45 a.m. Registration and packet pickup. 10 a.m. 5K start and 10:45 a.m. Fun Run start. racesonline.com/events/tupelo-muddy-5k

February 17

The Orchard church presents an evening with the renowned surgeon, scholar, and teacher, Dr. Ben Carson. Fundraiser for Parkgate Pregnancy Clinic. **662.841.1517** or parkgateclinic.com.





STARKVILLE February 28

Chick-fil-A Run/Walk 10K, 5K, and 1 Mile.

Join the Herd and lace up your running shoes for the Chick-fil-A Connect Race Series. The race will benefit Palmer Home for Children and help extend effective, healing help, so that hurting children can dare to hope, to dream, and to love again. 6:30-9:30 a.m.

cfaraceseries.com or 662.324.4460.

MADISON

February 7

St. Joseph Catholic School Annual **Drawdown** benefitting the student body and the school. Silent auction, live auction, and much more. Purchase tickets at stjoebruins.com by clicking on the Draw

Down link. \$125 ticket admits two people one chance to win \$10,000!

February 12

Date Night with Drs. Les & Leslie Parrott.

Broadmoor Baptist Church at 1531 Highland Colony Parkway 6:30-9 p.m. This fun event is for couples of any age or stage. Conflicts happen, but they can lead to a deeper level of intimacy. Couples will laugh while they learn new ways to instantly improve their relationship, broadmoor.com or 601.898.2345.



MERIDIAN

February 6

Béla Fleck & the Knights at the Riley Center at 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$55, \$49. Premier banjo player Béla Fleck is considered one of the most innovative pickers in the world, playing everything from traditional bluegrass to progressive jazz to classical music. msurileycenter.com.



February 13

The Berenstain Bears Live at the Riley Center! 7 p.m. Tickets \$18, \$10. Adapted from the classic children's book series by Stan and Jan Berenstain, this production brings everyone's favorite bear family to life in this colorful musical for the whole family. msurileycenter.com.