Gary Walker of Tampa, FL has been listed in the 2013 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*, which recognizes the top five percent of all lawyers in the country.

Jason Case was named Outstanding Alumnus of the Year by the Delta State South Central Mississippi Alumni Chapter. Jason is the principal at West Lincoln Attendance Center, where the school has been recognized as a National Blue Ribbon School, only one of three schools in Mississippi and 269 schools nationally chosen for the honor.

Kevin Locastro announced that he is retiring as the head football coach at Christian Brothers High School. He plans to spend more time with his family. Locastro will stay on as CBHS as a teacher.

John Cox was named president of the Mississippi Tennis Association Board of Directors.

James Glorioso was promoted to senior vice president and credit administrator of Cleveland State Bank.

Alicia Bariola, owner of Lux Alla Moda Boutique, was recognized in “Building Business in Washington County” by the Delta Democrat Times.

Burns Strider, founder of the Eleison Group, was listed as one of the 13 “players to watch for 2013” by Salena Zito, the national political reporter for the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review.

Brian Bishop, of the Cleveland Volunteer Fire Department, was named Officer of the Year by the Mississippi Firefighters Burn Association.

Rebecca Lancaster, teacher at Sumner Hill Junior High, is the recipient of the 2012 Mississippi Art Education Association Outstanding Elementary Art Educator of the Year.
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Libby Story McRight was named the Mississippi Business Journal’s Business Person of the Year. (Photo credit: Deryll Stegall, Mississippi Business Journal)

2003

Jason Coslet, vice president CWS Grain Systems Inc. was featured in “Building Business in Washington County” by the Delta Democrat Times.

2005

Arnold van Dyk recently opened up his own law firm. He is a member of the California State Bar and has an LL.M in taxation. He specializes in all areas of tax, including tax controversy, tax litigation and international tax. Check out his website: www.arnoldvandyklaw.com.

2006

Sulee Blansett was voted Bell Academy’s Teacher of the Month for January.

Russell Gainspoletti recently received his certificate as a Certified Financial Planner (CFP). There are less than 20 CFPs in the state of Mississippi.
2007

Mary Claire Kinnison has been promoted to Recruitment Manager in C Spire’s Human Resources Department.

2008

Marcie Behrens accepted the position of Community Development Director for Tuttle, Oklahoma.

2011

Felicia Sorrels LPN, the CEO and owner of Helping Hands Care, LLC, was recognized in “Building Business in Washington County” by the Delta Democrat Times.

2012

Jeanna Wilkes accepted the position of Admission Recruiter at Delta State University.

**Faculty/Staff**

Laura Howell was named executive director of the Bologna Performing Arts Center.
**Wedding Bells**


![Wedding photo](image1)

**Baby Statesmen**

Andrew “Elias” Abide, III to M/M Andrew Abide ’09 (Marion Weeks ’09) on January 4 in Jackson, MS.

![Newborn photo](image2)

Lila Katherine to M/M William Everitt ’09 (Pamela Mangrum ’09) on January 17.
In Memoriam

William A. Barbee ’75, of Grenada, on January 22.

Phillip L. Boggs ’63, of Dandridge, TN, on December 27.

Beatrice A. Bradley ’47, of Columbia, on February 1.

Fred J. Bromund ’76, of Indianapolis, IN, on January 13.

Hoyt C. Butler, Jr. ’38, of Gastonia, NC, on November 25.

James A. Coleman, Jr. ’42, of Waco, TX, on January 24.

Patricia A. Crawford (friend), of Chillicothe, IL, on January 13.

Jeff Curtis, Jr. (Attended), of Greenville, on February 16.

B.G. Garrison ’60, of Madison, on January 3.

Mildred J. Gibson ’74, of Cleveland, on December 23.

Terry L. Herring ’75, of Memphis, TN, on January 4.

J. Paul Hollomon ’77, of Hattiesburg, on January 16.

Harold H. Jones ’53, of Coffeeville, on February 10.

Limmie (Grogan) Kidd ’43, of Winter Park, FL, on December 8.

Kathryn P. Kittleman ’50, of Greenville, on January 11.

Ruth D. Lerosen ’44, of Port Arthur, TX, on December 24.

Kenneth D. McClain ’61, of Jackson, on February 21.

Billy M. McEachern ’52, of Greenwood, on February 2.

Maxine P. Meriweather (friend), of Columbus, on December 24.

Cassandra Bunch Moore ’38, of Saint Petersburg, FL, on November 25.

Curtis L. Pace ’73, of Lumberton, TX, on January 29.

John F. Peden (alumnus), of Schlater, on December 10.

Fred D. Riley ’56, of Bruce, on February 15.

Jane Riley (Friend), of Marietta, GA, on February 1.
Ronald S. Sexton (attended), of Greenville, on November 23.

Sara Sarullo Sherman ’52, of Oxford, on February 3.

Ida T. Slough (friend), of Lebanon, OH, on November 29.

Lillian T. Smith ’64, of Memphis, TN, on February 16.

Shirley Dianne (Berryhill) Smith ’99, of Belzoni, on January 19.

Phoebe Monteith Strange (friend), of Greenville, on November 12, 2012.

Vivian S. Taylor ’29, of Grenada, on December 25.

*Due to space limitations, beginning with the Spring 2013 Delta State Magazine, listing priority in the “With the Classes” section of the Alumni & Foundation magazine will be given to dues paying members of the Delta State University Alumni Association. To submit a class note, baby statesmen, wedding bells, in memoriam, or miles away photo, send it to alumni@deltastate.edu or DSU P.O. Box 3104, Cleveland, MS 39042. The Association relies on numerous sources for “With the Classes” information and is unable to verify all notes with the individual alumni.
Miles Away

Jim Garverick (64) in Atlanta, 412 miles
Stephen Kaminski ’02 in Kandahar, Afghanistan