

Philon is SCHS Valedictorian

GILBERTOWN — Phillip J. Philon, son of Rev. Randy and Delois Philon of Silas, has been named Valedictorian of the Class of 2007 at Southern Choctaw High School.

Phillip has maintained an outstanding scholastic record, while excelling in extracurricular activities and school organizations. He has maintained a 3.91 weighed grade point average on a 4.0 scale, and is a member of his school's National Honor Society, Senior Beta Club, JROTC, journalism staff, and varsity athletics. Phillip serves as Student Government Association President, Senior Beta Club President, Senior Class Vice-President, and Sports Editor for the school's newspaper. He was also named to Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Phillip was the recip-

ient of the SCHS Principal's Award for overall highest average in 9th through 12th grade. He has been a 7th Grade Peer Mentor for two years and a TGIF Teen Leader throughout his senior year.

An award-winning scholar athlete, Phillip was named Injun Joe for the 2006-2007 year in which he was named a UCA All-Star Mascot, UCA All-Superior Mascot, and UCA Mascot-of-the-Month Nominee. In addition, he was honored as SCHS Scholar-Athlete and AHSAA 2A Area 5 Scholar-Athlete.

Phillip was honored by his peers when they voted him local Alabama Line Association Student-of-the-Year.

As Battalion Commander of the SCHS JROTC, Phillip has participated in several community service projects which include JROTC

Bag-a-thon's for the needy, Beta Club's Willow Trace Adopt-a-Patient. His community service also includes participating in the Student Government Association's Christmas Angels Support project.

Last summer, Phillip was privileged to attend the University of Alabama for five weeks as a Rural Health Scholar and had the opportunity to earn seven college hours. Concluding the program, he finished with a college-level 4.0 grade point average. Recently, he was invited back to the University of Alabama to participate in the Minority Rural Health Pipeline Program for another five weeks. This program will give Phillip the opportunity to earn college hours also.

He is an active member of House of Prayer of Silas, where he is a Youth Group partici-

teers as an usher and has served on the Usher Committee for three years with two other members. Also, he has volunteered for his church's Vacation Bible School on several occasions.

Although he has over \$500,000 in scholarship offers, Phillip plans to attend the University of Alabama at Birmingham in the fall as a biology/pre-medicine major. He endeavors to become an anesthesiologist or general practitioner. He has been awarded the UAB Blazing Scholar Award and Minority Presidential Scholarship. He also has been selected by the University of Alabama at Birmingham's Office for Equity and Diversity to participate in the Minority Scholar Program, in which he will receive leadership, research, and internship opportunities.

SCHS names Singley as Salutatorian

GILBERTOWN — Larry Trent Singley, son of Larry and Julie Singley of Souwilpa, has been named Salutatorian of Class of 2007 at Southern Choctaw High School.

As a Southern Choctaw High School student, Trent has maintained a 3.89 weighed grade point average on a 4.0 scale. He is a member of the National Honor Society, National Beta Club, Future Farmers of America, Upward Bound, and SCHS Marching Chiefs and Concert Band. Trent attended the University of Alabama's Student Introduction To Engineering (SITE) program during the summer of

2006.

In the past, he has been named by Rush Hospital as a Youth Leader of the Week and also by Clear Channel Radio as a Senior of the Week. Trent has earned several honors on the local and national level. In the year of 2004-2005 he received the SCHS Principal's Award, and this year he was honored for scoring in the 99th percentile nationally on the American College Test.

Trent is an active member of the Hickory Grove Baptist Church, where he is involved with the youth group and serves on the Sound and Light Committee. He has

also been an active part in the children's ministries. He has been a Vacation Bible School volunteer and is the church's Boy Scout Troop leader.

Trent has received numerous scholarships totaling more than \$400,000. He received the Sam Walton Community Scholarship, is a finalist for the Clear Channel Radio Scholarship, was a Coke Scholarship finalist, and is nominated for the prestigious Shaun Alexander Scholarship. Trent has been offered scholarships from several schools including Birmingham Southern, the University of Alabama, the University of South

Alabama, and the University of Mobile.

Following graduation, Trent plans to enroll at the University of Alabama as a Mechanical Engineering major with a minor in Business in the fall of 2007. The University of Alabama has given him a full-tuition Presidential Scholarship, a \$10,000 Engineering Leadership Scholarship, and a \$4,000 Supplemental Scholarship. Upon obtaining his bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering, Trent plans to enroll in Graduate School at the University of Alabama in pursuit of his master's degree in Mechanical Engineering.

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We commend you on your
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**Best of Luck,
Class of 2007**

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*Amanda Renee Allemand (Nu-Nu)
Class of 2007
Southern Choctaw High School*

We have watched you grow from a cute curly haired little girl to a beautiful ambitious young woman. We are truly blessed to have a daughter as wonderful as you. You have accomplished so many great things already that we know you will have a bright future ahead of you.

We are Proud of You! Good luck and keep up the good work!

*We Love You,
Mama, Daddy, & Brittany*