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The third annual Levee Festival brought beautiful sunny weather with a breeze, music devotees sitting in church pews, incredible ballet dancers, ping-pong and bounce houses, runners and walkers and winners, wonderful Southern food and art, and a joyful, family-like atmosphere for everyone who attended. *See FEST on Page 7.*

PHOTO BY DAVID KELLER

GTHS seniors awarded scholarships from Scott fund

Special to East Carroll Banner

John H. Scott Memorial Fund announced its scholarship winners at a special ceremony earlier this month.

General Trass High School senior Terry Douglas Jr. won a \$7,000 scholarship, while classmate Dylan Baker was awarded \$4,000.

Douglas plans to attend Grambling State University in the fall. Baker plans to attend University of Louisiana

in Monroe.

The first place award includes an extra \$1,000 thanks to a special donation by James and Maxine Ballard.

The Fund also sponsors a video contest each year. More than 2,500 people voted and the winner who received the most votes was Su'Kouya Crye of General Trass High School.

Crye also received this

year's Alease J. Scott Award for community service and got \$500 for making a difference in her community.

The speaker for this year's Fund Awards Program was Alease Scott, granddaughter of Rev. and Mrs. John H. Scott. She shared valuable life lessons with program guests, many she learned during her years as a teacher.



Pictured are finalists John H. Scott Memorial Fund scholarship (from left) Aaliyah Smith, Akiaya Stewart, Ma'Naiya Perkins, Terry Douglas Jr. (first place winner), Fund board president Leon Truley, Dylan Baker (second place winner), Cadence Grey, Su'Kouya Crye, and Karlita Baker.

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