

Education offers single parents improved jobs

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cent by the state organization. Dollins said there are 70 county affiliates in Arkansas. "We have a retention rate of about 87 percent," Dollins said, noting that most single parents stay in school and finish their course of study to gain higher paying employment. "They go to higher paying jobs," she said.

Single parents attending facilities of higher education, who meet qualifications, may receive up to a \$500 scholarship.

"In White County, we try to follow the students throughout their career as long as we have the funds," Dollins said.

Participating massage therapists were Karron Waller of Body Map, Michelle Johnson of Holden and Company, Ronna Rodman of Williams Chiropractic Clinic in Beebe, Angela Yates of Wallace Chiropractic and Massage Therapy of Bald Knob, Amanda Holtz of Salon 501, Janet Moffitt of Janet Moffitt Massage Therapy of Searcy, Jeff Dawson of Shadow Hills Spa in Newport.

In addition to the therapists, Dollins said that additional support was provided by Hastings, Caldwell Broadcasting and The Daily Citizen.



Massage therapists work on holiday shoppers at Hastings as part of a benefit for single parent scholarships. (Citizenphoto by Holly Latimer)

Holiday shopper relaxation benefits scholarship fund

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White County single parents attending college could benefit from the relaxation of holiday shoppers.

Massages given at Hastings Saturday afternoon for holiday shoppers benefitted the White County Single Parent Scholarship Fund.

Thirty massages were done on shoppers. The money made from massages was matched by Body Map.

"It went really well," said

Brenda Jaynes, a member of the board.

The \$10 chair massage was completed in the Hard Back Cafe. In addition to the massages, persons received a free drink from the cafe.

The funds from the event help provide scholarships for single parents enrolled in higher education institutions.

According to Kim Dollins with the organization, all funds, up to \$6,000, raised in White County are matched at 150 per-

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