Omesia L. Ashford

Army Pvt. Omesia L. Ashford has entered basic military training at Fort

Jackson, Columbia.

During the eight weeks of training, the soldiers will study the Army mission and will receive instructions in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, Army history and traditions, and special training in human relations.

Ashford is the daughter of Emma L. Ashford and John C.

Bates, of Winnsboro.

She is a 1996 graduate of Fairfield Central High School, Winnsboro.

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Fifteen drivers qualified a Southside Speedway i

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NASCAR Goody's Dash Serie event on Friday, Aug. 23.

Mike Swaim Sr. posted the fastest qualifying time, a time of 14.755 seconds on the 16 mile track. Winnsboro's Willer Hobgood, whose #65 Pontian had been handling great a day, qualified a disappointed 10th, with a time of 15.18

Swaim took the lead at the