## KIWANIS SUPPORT OKTIBBEHA COUNTY EXCEL BY 5

Ellen Goodman, Certification Manager, Oktibbeha County Excel by 5 Coalition, left accepts a check from Joan Butler-Taylor, chairperson for the major emphasis committee of the Kiwanis Club of Starkville. Excel By 5 is an innovative early childhood community certification process focusing on a community's young children. It emphasizes the important roles parents and early childhood educators play in the lives of children during their most formative years-birth to age 5. The Oktibbeha County Excel By 5 is a part of the Starkville Oktibbeha Consolidated School District's Discovery Center.

