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A Truckload of Love

Local citizens donate classic Chevrolet to family whose son is battling cancer

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What began as a search for a family truck has turned into a display of overwhelming generosity as local citizens Toby and Tana Coile donated a classic 1985 Square Body Chevrolet Truck to the family of Matt Cash, whose two year old son Memphis is battling brain cancer.

Cash and Coile were mere strangers before this event. The connection was made when Cash started to track down the owner of the truck.

“My father bought the truck when I was 16 years old. It was brown and tan, the motor was blown up. At my mom and dad’s house, we had it pulled down to nothing but a frame. Had the cab swinging from a tree out in the front yard and started putting it back together,” said Cash. “As life went on, and you start having kids and stuff like that, I turned loose of it. At the age I am now, I’ve kicked myself in the rear ever since.”

After calling up owner after owner, trying to find who still



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Sheriff Jason Parker organized a gathering of community support during the donation of the truck for Memphis Cash and his family as the two year old boy battles brain cancer.

had the truck in their possession, eventually Cash got into contact with Coile.

Coile had purchased the truck for him and his wife to ride around in when they spent time together. While in their possession, they made a number of upgrades to it as well. This included a new lift, motor, speakers, etc.

Due to these upgrades, the asking price for the vehicle sat around 30k -32k when Cash finally got into contact with

Coile. While the negotiations halted there, the conversation continued, and Cash shared the fact that it was a vehicle given to him by his father. He also told Coile of his two year old Memphis, who had been diagnosed with brain cancer.

“He shot me a price, and I said, man, there’s no way that I could do it. Even if I didn’t have what I got going on, I have a son that back in the August of ‘20

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Memphis Cash and his father Matt Cash as Memphis takes a seat in the 85’ Chevrolet for the first time.

Louisiana to further loosen COVID-19 restrictions, including mask mandate

(The Center Square) – Gov. John Bel Edwards has ordered Louisiana’s COVID-19 mitigation restrictions to be loosened further Wednesday, including eliminating the statewide mask mandate.

Local governments and private businesses are free to continue requiring face coverings. Schools, universities, health care facilities, public transit and most state government buildings will continue to require masks, though agency heads can request a waiver. Edwards

said agencies led by his cabinet appointees will continue to require masks.

Limits on the number of people who can gather outdoors will be lifted. Organizers of indoor events, including sporting events, can choose 75% occupancy with distancing or full occupancy with masks, Edwards said Tuesday. At least 10 feet should be maintained between the stage and the audience during live music performances, according to the new mandates.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention still recommends masks and distancing indoors, so businesses and schools that want to maintain the COVID-19 liability protections state lawmakers granted them last year should continue to follow those guidelines, Edwards said.

A consistently low baseline of COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations and the wide availability of vaccines allows state officials to take these steps, Edwards said.

“Lower risk does not mean no risk,” said Dr. Joseph Kanter with the Louisiana Department of Health. “We have the tools now to protect ourselves and protect our families.”

Edwards and Kanter said a way to think about risk is by using the “two out of three” rule. Being outdoors, distanced and/or masked all reduce risk, and when at least two of the factors are in place, a situation is reasonably safe, officials said.

Effective vaccines are the most important tool, officials

said. While COVID-19-related deaths still are happening – 10 new ones were announced Tuesday –vaccine availability is helping to keep those numbers down.

About 26% of Louisiana residents, about 1.2 million, are fully vaccinated, including about 67% of people who are at least 65 years old.

“That’s not where we need to be,” Edwards said of the vaccination rate. “It is a good start.”

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SECOND FRONT

EDUCATION

BESE Awards \$30 Million To Ready Start Networks To Kickstart La B To 3 And Expand Access To High-quality Early Care And Education

STAFF REPORT
Minden Press-Herald

The Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) approved the allocation of more than \$30 million to communities to fund 2,970 seats in child care for children birth through age 3 (B-3) for the 2021-2022 school year. Along with sustaining the 660 B-3 seats allocated last year, the move to kickstart LA B to 3 with federal funding includes the creation of 2,310 new B-3 seats. These seats are awarded to 22 Louisiana communities, all of which are Ready Start Networks. These networks are local community pilots tasked with improving access to quality early childhood care and education.

"I applaud our BESE members for this critical investment in our children and our state," said State Superintendent of Education Dr. Cade Brumley. "These funds will remove the financial barrier that exists for thousands of Louisiana families and allow them to provide their children with high-quality early childhood care and education."

This funding allows eligible families to receive tuition-free seats if they are at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level and working or attending school or actively seeking employment. Through a combination of Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropri-

ations Act (CRRSA) and Preschool Development Birth through Five (PDG B-5) Renewal Grant funding, BESE awarded a total of \$30,193,636 during its April meeting.

"It is critically important to expand access to quality early childhood learning throughout Louisiana," said BESE President and Early Childhood Care and Education Commission member Sandy Holloway. "The allocation of these federal dollars will support the work of local Ready Start Networks to engage and serve more of our state's youngest learners, boost child care options for families and make a significant impact for those in greatest need of assistance."

Ready Start Networks will offer B-3 seats in partnership with Type III child care centers rated Proficient or higher and in classrooms with teachers who have or are on the path to earning the Early Childhood Ancillary Certificate (ECAC). This funding will also allow networks to support the quality of the classroom where the seats are located, through measures such as educator professional development or tier 1 curriculum and classroom material purchases.

"The Vermilion Parish Early Childhood Network is overjoyed to have been granted funding to support additional birth to 3-year-old seats for our community," said Vermil-

ion Parish School System Early Childhood Supervisor Lola Thomas. "This will provide families in areas across our parish who have few options for early care with the chance to access quality education and care for their children."

This marks the second year of the B-3 seats pilot. In the 2020-2021 school year, the Department funded 660 seats in thirteen Ready Start Networks using PDG Renewal Grant funding. The recent CRRSA Act funding allows the pilot to nearly double the number of communities receiving seats in 2021-2022, quadrupling the total number of children served.

In Louisiana, even prior to the pandemic, fewer than 7 percent of in-need children birth to two years old, and less than 33 percent of three year olds have access to high-quality child care. The federal stimulus packages provide a bridge to 2024 and an opportunity to address these access challenges in the short-term. However, there must be state and local efforts to sustain these seats no later than 2024 to meaningfully expand access to high-quality early care and education options for families in every parish in the state in the long-term. As part of that work, Ready Start Networks will create funding and sustainability plans to help ensure the tenability of these seats beyond the timeframe of the grant.

Donation: Sheriff Parker helped with hand off of vehicle with community support

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was diagnosed with brain cancer, and we've been battling with that ever since, and there's just no way I could turn loose of any money like that," said Cash.

After getting off of the phone, Coile and his wife discussed, and ultimately felt called to simply give the truck to Cash free of charge. Coile also added that "Brown's Chrysler Dodge in Minden fixed a couple things on the motor free of charge. They donated that and the Browns are an awesome group of people."

As Coile put it from his recollection of the conversation, "We can't imagine going through that. St. Jude's telling him the only thing they can do right now is make memories."

"When we saw his little face on Facebook, it was

like, sold. We have to give this to him, it's his truck," said Tana Coile.

"The thought of him not having it to spend time with his little boy. I just think little Memphis will get a lot more enjoyment out of it than me and Tana would. It's materialistic stuff to us, but it's sentimental to them," said Coile.

"Not long after getting off the phone, she said, I think we just need to donate it to them, and I said, If that's what you want to do, that's what we're going to do."

Cash stated, "Wasn't but just a few hours later that he called me back and said man, me and my wife want to donate this to you, your son, and your family."

After deciding to donate the vehicle, Coile reached out to Sheriff Jason Parker to help organize a place to hand off the vehicle, and

to help bring out others to support Memphis and his family.

"What a feeling to see this little boy get in this truck and have the reaction he is having. We may think that we have problems and issues everyday, but we're blessed, we're truly blessed," said Sheriff Parker.

When asked what his plans are with the truck now, Cash said, "We're going to clean it up, take it to some shows." Here Cash paused, collecting himself as his son's situation weighed on him. "We're going to let him have a hell of a time."

If any are interested in keeping up with Memphis Cash as he fights his battle, the family has a Facebook page set up where they post updates on how the little one is doing at www.facebook.com/memphisalton-cash/.

GOVERNMENT

Louisiana Senate passes legislation to avoid raising employer taxes, cutting unemployment benefits

(The Center Square) - Three measures meant to hold employer taxes and worker benefits steady despite the state's empty unemployment trust fund were approved Wednesday by the Louisiana Senate.

Before the COVID-19 pandemic, the state fund that pays for unemployment benefits had a balance of more than \$1 billion. The fund has been tapped out, however, by the unprecedented demand during the pandemic, forcing the state to borrow from the federal government to pay legally mandated benefits.

When the fund balance falls, state law calls for more taxes on employers and reduced benefits for unemployed workers to shore up the fund. The Senate voted for three measures that, taken together, put that process

on hold.

Senate Concurrent Resolution 3 calls for suspending the requirement that the state's Revenue Estimating Conference certify the fund's balance in September. SCR 5 would suspend imposition of a "solvency tax" that normally kicks in when the balance dips below \$100 million. That tax could have cost employers collectively more than \$60 million, according to a Legislative Fiscal Office estimate.

Senate Bill 89 keeps the maximum weekly worker benefit and the amount of each employer's wage base that is taxable the same as they are currently. Lawmakers last year froze benefits and taxes at the level at which the law normally calls for when the fund is between \$750 million and \$1.15 billion.

Lawmakers plan to use some of the state's share of the federal American Rescue Plan stimulus, though an exact figure has not been determined. Louisiana officials expect to receive about \$3.2 billion for state government.

Gov. John Bel Edwards has said paying off the debt the state will owe to the federal government to pay current benefits probably will cost about \$200 million, plus about \$400 million to shore up the fund's balance, for a total of around \$600 million the first year ARP funds are available. By the end of year two, Edwards would like to see the fund back above \$750 million. The exact cost will depend on how much the state has to borrow and how much is collected in employer taxes.

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OBITUARY



James Milton “Buck” Kemp

James Milton “Buck” Kemp, of Minden Louisiana, arrived in the loving arms of God on Tuesday, April 27, 2021 after a long battle with dementia/Alzheimer’s.

Buck was born in Harris, Louisiana on February 23, 1939 to John Ed and Cecil Kemp. The Kemp family later moved to Minden, Louisiana where Buck graduated from Minden High School in 1957. After attending Northwestern University in Natchitoches, Buck joined the United States Air Force. He was stationed at Eglin Air Force Base in Fort Walton Beach, Florida from 1959 to 1963. Buck retired from Murphy Brothers Service Center in 2004 where he served as the manager of tire sales.

Buck was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Christine Kemp Pevy. He was also preceded in death by Sigsby and Gertie Browning. The Brownings were a very special couple that always called Buck their

son. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Shirley Plunkett Kemp, children James Kemp (Donna) and Sandra De Luca (Matt). He was blessed with four grandchildren, Breytan Kemp, Kaydree Kemp, Anne Marie De Luca, and Samantha De Luca. He is also survived by his brother, Wayne Kemp and several nieces and nephews.

Buck enjoyed wood working, refurbishing old cars, photography, and playing the organ. He biggest love was car racing. He raced a center drive full body dirt car for a number years and spent several years helping his son with his love of sprint car racing.

Visitation will be Friday, April 30th from 5-7 PM, at Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden. Memorial service will be held Saturday, May 1st, at 11AM. at Pine Grove Methodist Church at 4549 LA-159 in Minden. Rev. Steve Beard will be officiating the service, pallbearers; Dale Hollingsworth, Gary Hollingsworth, Ken Murphy, Randell Murphy, Darrell Richards, and Gordon Simmons. Honorary pallbearers, Mike Bell, Harry Murphy and James Harrington.

In lieu of flowers memorials can be made to Lakeview Methodist Church, Pine Grove Methodist Church, St Jude Children’s Hospital or to your favorite charity.



Doris Helen McIlveen Matthews

Doris Helen McIlveene Matthews won her battle with Parkinson’s when she gained her angel wings on Saturday, April 24th, 2021. Born in Shongaloo, February 27, 1936, the only child of Thomas and Ezell McIlveene, who, along with her husband, Henry Matthews, grandson, Jared Spurlock, and her companion, Ronald Tastet, predeceased her.

A 1954 graduate of Shongaloo High School, where she played varsity basketball for 6 years, and a 67-year resident of Minden.

Doris Helen is survived by her children, Diane Spurlock and Tim Matthews, grandchildren, Judd Spurlock and his

wife Sarah, Whitney Helen Rodgers, and Aaron Matthews, and great grandchildren, Hugh, Tatum, Henry, Hattie, and Ava.

Doris Helen retired from the Webster Parish Clerks Office in 2004 and was a member of Lakeview United Methodist Church for 60 years. Her greatest blessings were her family and dear friends, Gloria, Elsie, Mert, and Alice. She served the Lord faithfully and cared for her husband, parents, and precious Aunt Doris in their last days.

Heartfelt appreciation to the staff at Savannah Court where Doris Helen made her home the last 2.5 years and to Southern Care Hospice for their love and care this past year.

Donations in her memory can be made to St. Jude’s. Her memorial service will be held at Lakeview this summer.

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Isauro R. “Jim” Favela

Funeral services for Isauro R. “Jim” Favela will be held Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. at Rose-Neath Funeral Home Chapel in Minden, Louisiana with Bro. Jeff Ramsey officiating. Interment will follow at Bistineau Cemetery in Heflin, Louisiana. The family will receive friends at 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday, May 4, 2021 prior the service time.

Jim was born October 15, 1944 in Tolleson, Arizona and entered into rest April 23, 2021 in Heflin, Louisiana. Jim was owner of Favela Vocational Services and Rayne Quality Water and also worked in Agriculture Industry and Real Estate De-

sign Masters.

He was preceded in death by is parents, Isauro R. Favela, Sr. and Lupe Favela and brother, Bobby Favela.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Mary L. Favela, daughters, Sherry Limosnero and husband Angelito Limosnero and Theresa Favela; sister, Vilma Portugal-Chavez and brother, Victor Favela; grandchildren, Ethan Campos, Audrie Bourbon and husband Joshua Bourbon, Kayleigh Bible, Mason Bible, Heather Gallagos and husband Kyle Gallegos, and James Limosnero and wife Lacie Limosnero; and great-grandchildren, Allison, Albert, and Abram Bourbon, Aiyanah and Brody Bible, Presley, Titus, Matteo and Arielle Limosnero.

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Joyce Lee Hardcastle Hatcher

After a glorious 90 year stint on this earth, Joyce Lee Hardcastle Hatcher finally left us on Tuesday April 27, 2021, after a short stay in the hospital and due to complications of a stroke. She began her journey at the family home outside of Plain Dealing, LA on July 8,

1930, being born, the baby of 9, to father Elvie Reece “Paw-Paw” Hardcastle and mother Bertha Lee Lowe “Maw Maw” Hardcastle. Due to her vibrant red hair, she had the nicknames “Pinkie” and “Red” in High School, where she received her diploma after only 11 years; the next year’s class having to go 12 years! She moved to Shreveport not long after that, living a very independent and vibrant life, uncommon for a 20 year old female in the 1950s. She clerked in title offices, drove a red and white ‘56 Chevy Bel Air, and even took excursions with her girlfriends to places like New Mexico, Florida and the Bahamas.

She finally settled down when she met Weldon Hatcher, who started preaching at her family Church of Christ back in Plain Dealing. Her mom, Bertha, would often have the preacher over for Sunday dinner, serving up a typically huge masterpiece of country cooking. Weldon, after dating Joyce for a while, joked that if she could cook half as good as her mother, he would have to marry her! And they did just that, on July 1, 1961. Weldon was a widower with two small children ages 4 and 2, Donna and Gary would be adopted by her at that time, and a third child Jim would be born a couple of years later.

Despite there only being about a mile between the home where she was born to the cemetery where she will lay in peace, in her “middle” years she was quite the traveler, living in Louisiana, Arkansas and Mississippi, and taking multiple

excursions to Mexico, Honduras, and Costa Rica with a South American missionary group started by a dear friend of hers from church. Even in her final years, she was almost always up for a trip, where ever you wanted to go!

Feisty and outspoken, she loved watching football and baseball, often yelling at the bad calls. She also loved the Hallmark Channel, a dichotomy that was mirrored in her life. She loved getting her hands dirty working in the garden or working on the car, but also liked to get dressed up nice, and cook and bake like a professional. Sometimes gruff but always loving, she would sometimes pick at you, just a bit, before smiling at your response. Always a role model of doing the right thing and helping out if she could, Joyce had many life-long friendships she treasured, some of whom called her the “Energizer Bunny” because she just kept going despite knee and back surgeries, heart attack, breast cancer and stroke.

Preceded in death by her husband Weldon Hatcher, son Gary Hatcher, father and mother, siblings Gracy & Chester Gleason, Reece & Mildred Hardcastle, Gladys & Dick Johnson, Myrtis & HD Bounds, Henderson & Mable Hardcastle, Maxine & Sherrill Kelly, Aline & Shorty Oglesby, and Christine and Jerry Mize.

Survived by daughter Donna Payne, son Jim Hatcher; Grand Children Ashley & Clint Davis, Catherine & Kaleb Gish, and Laura Payne; Great Grand Children Paige & Emma Davis and Dawson Gish, and numerous family and friends.

Visitation will be at the Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden, LA on Sunday May 2, 2021 between 3:00 and 5:00pm. Funeral Service to be held there also on Monday May 3, 2021 at 10:00am with a graveside service to follow at Pleasant Hill Cemetery outside of Plain Dealing, LA.

The family wants to extent a big Thank You to all of the caretakers she had these past few years, helping her to live at home and remain vibrant, independent and strong to the end, exactly as she wanted.

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OTHER OPINION

An ode to Gatsby, and finding one's calling

I began teaching The Great Gatsby today for the last time. It's an 11th grade novel and next year I'm going to exchange juniors for sophomores (while also keeping my seniors). That's a new challenge and a change of pace.

Anyone who knows me knows I get bored after a while, so new kids and new challenges are welcome. But...Gatsby is a huge part of my life.

I know it is weird to a lot of people. You get emotional over a book? Get over it, Nancy!

So if I have to explain it to you then you won't ever get it, and that's OK. It's special to me and I'll always have the memories

of sharing those perfect words with students.

No other book has ever stuck with my students like this one.

And, that's the way it should be because no other book in American literature expresses the good and the bad of our country - what it means to be an American. Our strengths and



JOSH BEAVERS

our weaknesses. Our honesty and hard-work and our duplicity and laziness. The cream and the chaff on the summer threshing floor.

I'm thankful I got the time I did with Gatsby and the American Dream. It's a novel that helped me realize money isn't the end all be all of the world and finally made me aware of the fact that my previous occupation was going to send me to an early grave.

Way too many decisions are made because of only money. Souls are killed as a result. I'm way too philosophical for the world, I think.

So that's why I say this - One

day, if God wills it, I will hopefully be able to teach the work again. A funny thing to pray for some may same. And that's ok as well. Because it's not just about a book to me. It's a call to action on what not to do in life.

So if that day never comes, the time I had with Fitzgerald's magnum opus made me a better teacher, person, husband, father, American. And for that, I am thankful.

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LETTER

Don't let legislature scuttle important bills

Dear Editor:

It looks like our GOP leadership in the Louisiana House is trying hard to scuttle bills that would 1.prevent teaching of Critical Race Theory in public

schools as factual dogma and 2. Prevent boys and men from competing as girls in sports and using dressing rooms and other private facilities that protect girls.

Those who know who their

state legislators are should contact them and ask what is going on. Call any legislator you can whether you know them or not. Apparently the GOP House Speaker is trying to protect his position because he got elected

to that post with Democrat legislators' support.

Please don't let them get by with it.

Gerald Holland
Springhill

OTHER OPINION

The DC Statehood Power Grab

"How many legs does a dog have if you call his tail a leg?" asked President Abraham Lincoln, who answered his own question:

"Four. Saying that a tail is a leg doesn't make it a leg."

And Congress' saying that D.C. is a state would equally contradict truth and reality, as our nation's capital lacks all of the attributes of a 51st state of the Union.

Whence came our capital of Washington, D.C.?

The city was carved out of Maryland and Virginia in 1790, which voted to cede 100 square miles on the Potomac for a capital city of the United States to become the domicile of the federal government.

In 1846, Virginia's share of the land, some 32 square miles, was ceded back. What was left was today's Washington, D.C., of 68 square miles.

Is that sufficient for a state of the Union? Only if one wishes to change the character and composition of that Union.

dwarfing the 700,000 residents of D.C.

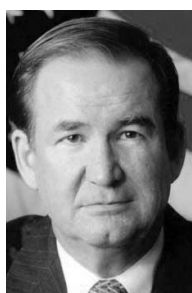
Directly across the Potomac in Virginia is Fairfax County, also eight times as large as D.C., and with hundreds of thousands more people.

Supporters of statehood say D.C. has more people than Wyoming.

True, but Wyoming is also roughly the size of the United Kingdom, and more than 1,000 times the size of Washington, D.C.

Even by the standards of American cities, Washington ranks no higher than 20th in population.

Texas — with Houston, Dallas, San Antonio and Fort Worth — and California — with Los Angeles, San Jose, San Diego and San Francisco — both have four cities larger and more populous than our aspiring city-state of D.C.



PATRICK BUCHANAN

as New England should have at least ten Senators," Garner told The New York Times in April 1921, "and the only way we can get them is to make five States, not five small States, mind you, but five great States."

Statehood for little D.C. could start a trend where mega-cities like Chicago and New York, with five and 10 times the size and population of D.C., secede from their respective states and seek full statehood as well.

What is at the root of this drive to make D.C. a state?

The answer may be found in the political character of our capital city.

Since the 23rd Amendment was ratified, 60 years ago, D.C. residents have voted in 15 presidential elections. In all 15 elections, D.C.'s three electoral votes have gone to the Democratic nominee.

Even in the 49-state Nixon and Reagan landslides of 1972 and 1984, D.C. went four- and five-to-one Democratic. In eight presidential elections since 1990, the GOP nominee has failed to win 10% of the D.C. vote.

Since the mid-1970s, D.C. has had home rule and, in every election since, has chosen a Democratic mayor and a Democratic city council.

How irredeemably Democratic is D.C.?

Voter registration statistics in the city as of last December was 403,000 Democrats and 30,000 Republicans, a ratio of 13-1.

Which brings the question:

What is D.C.'s grievance that America must somehow rectify by making it a state?

Answer: Democrats want D.C. to have two senators to cement their control of the U.S. Senate, as they pack the Supreme Court by expanding the number of justices from nine to 13.

This is a naked national power grab — pure and simple.

If the real concern were the inability of the D.C. electorate to vote for members of Congress, that could be remedied — by returning the residential portions of D.C. to Maryland, whence they came, or by allowing D.C. residents to vote in Maryland's congressional elections.

Making D.C. a state would send two Democrats to the Senate indefinitely. But it would violate the constitution and compact under which the nation was founded. And it would start a stampede for other disfiguring alterations, like packing the Supreme Court by adding four new justices.

Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam and American Samoa could soon follow and enter claims to become states of the American Union.

And a second unraveling of the republic would begin.

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INSPIRATION

After sad Mother’s Day 2020, vaccines offer sweet reunions

When Leland Stein heads to his 93-year-old mother’s senior living facility for Mother’s Day, he’ll have flowers in hand, a bottle of bubbly and a year’s worth of hugs.

“I miss Leland’s visits very much,” said Sondra Green, a retired Vassar College drama professor who counts Meryl Streep among her former students. “I’m just very grateful for his presence.”

Many moms, grandmothers and their offspring around the U.S. will be equally thrilled. They were forced to hold off on the physical joys of Mother’s Day last year amid pandemic fears and restrictions. This time around, vaccinations and abiding by post-shot waiting periods have brought more security and comfort to bring on the hugs and kisses for sweet in-person — and indoor — reunions.

Of course, not everyone will feel that joy. There are those mourning for mothers lost to COVID-19, and others who are refraining from socializing in person until they, too, can get vaccinated.

During the pandemic, the 64-year-old Stein and his elegant mom have met just once, about six months ago outside of her Brookdale Senior Living location in downtown Manhattan. He couldn’t keep away, partic-

ularly since Green lost her husband just months before the pandemic took hold, but it was a long trip from his home in Arlington, Massachusetts, for a brief visit on the lawn.

Green’s three other sons live in the West, too far to make a Mother’s Day trip.

Stein, too, has been feeling the separation and the sting of isolation. At the start of the pandemic in mid-March 2020, the performance space he manages, the Regent Theatre in Arlington, was shut down as the world headed into emergency mode.

“It was Friday the 13th,” he recalled. “We had a sold-out show at the theater and the rug was pulled out from under us. I had just lost a relationship, so I lost my relationship, my community, my family. That was a lot to deal with and I have to say, having my mom still around was very helpful. My mom was cool, calm and collected.”

Raising four boys, Green joked, “you have to stay calm.”

Heather Krug, 49, in Los Angeles hasn’t seen her extrovert of a mother, Brenda Krug, in a year and a half. Brenda, too, lives in a senior living community, on the other side of the country in the Long Island hamlet of Woodbury, New York.

“She’s been pretty much

without family throughout this,” said Krug, who has a sister in the Boston area. “I knew as soon as I was able to get the vaccine I would feel more comfortable about flying but also that I wouldn’t be bringing COVID to her or anybody in her community. It’s been pretty tough.”

The two will mark Mother’s Day and the 81-year-old Brenda’s June birthday at the same time. And, bonus, Heather will meet Brenda’s boyfriend for the first time after Heather’s dad died a couple years ago.

“They met during COVID, which is a good thing because it’s kept her spirits up. It’s the first person she’s dated since my father passed,” Heather said. “I’m sure she has a list of things she needs me to do. One is get her on Zoom because that’s been an issue, but she’s handling everything much better than me.”

Heather’s sister managed a two-hour rendezvous with their mom over the summer for a restaurant meal outdoors, but she has also kept her distance to be safe. A high school friend of Heather’s on Long Island assisted Brenda, who still works as an interior designer, when she came down with COVID-19 in the chaotic early days of the pandemic.

Brenda, who is also missing her recently departed dog, was excited for her up-

close Mother’s Day.

“I only saw my girls and grandchildren on FaceTime. It’s not the same, you know,” she said. “We’re definitely a hugging kind of family.”

Maricela Waugh, a 30-something relationship consultant in Los Angeles known professionally as Spicy Mari, has a huge Mother’s Day surprise for her mom, Marta, who has been on the job in San Diego as an essential worker for FedEx throughout the pandemic, has wanted a grandchild for years.

She’s about to get her wish. Waugh is pregnant.

“She’s going to be flabbergasted,” said Waugh, the oldest of three siblings and the first to be expanding her family.

“It’s the ultimate gift,” Waugh said. “We’re extremely close. I tell my mother everything and it’s been really hard because I don’t really know what to do. I’ve been asking her a lot of hypothetical questions like, ‘When did you start getting stretchmarks?’”

The two haven’t seen each other since April last year, when they got together for a quick meal out.

“We’ve done a few FaceTimes and only from the chest up as this baby bump has grown. But she’s been like, oh you must be gaining the quarantine 15,” Waugh said.

One thing’s for certain, she said: “I know she’s going to cry. My mom is such a crier.”

Mari, who has chosen not to get vaccinated during her pregnancy, plans a brunch outdoors at a Malibu restaurant with mom and other vaccinated loved ones to announce her son’s upcoming arrival.

“I’ve missed everyone so I’m super excited to bring everyone together for Mother’s Day,” she said.

For months, the pandemic kept Janice Shear, 67, from her 41-year-old daughter, Meredith, who has Down syndrome and lives just 15 miles away in a group home run by the nonprofit AHRC Nassau in Rockville Centre, New York.

Meredith’s 40th birthday party, with more than 100 guests, was canceled in March last year and the home barred visitors, while Janice’s senior living community asked residents to isolate. Janice would make drive-by visits in the car and wave, rather than their usual twice-a-week visits and weekends home for Meredith pre-pandemic.

Last July, restrictions loosened slightly and they managed regular meetups. Now, both are vaccinated, along with other family members. They plan a Mother’s Day barbecue at the nearby home of Meredith’s sister and her family.

“Last year it was sad. Meredith was my first child. She made me a mother, and pulling up in my car and just seeing her on the front step and then driving away, it was hard,” Janice said.

Mother’s Day came early for Vanessa Gordon, a Sag Harbor, New York, mom of a 3-year-old son and 7-year-old daughter.

Gordon, 32, and her husband have been vaccinated, along with her 87-year-old grandmother and an aunt. She hadn’t seen her grandmother in three years, so decided on a trip to The Villages, near Orlando, Florida, to combine her husband’s birthday, Mother’s Day and Easter on March 28. Gordon sees her mother regularly; she wasn’t fully vaccinated and didn’t make the trip.

The group dined out at a country club and caught up with some old friends, all of whom had been vaccinated. They visited Disney World, organized Easter baskets for the kids, baked a birthday cake and cooked meals together.

“I was thrilled,” Gordon said. “It was wonderful. When you don’t see somebody for such a long time, it’s almost as if time never went by. That three years, in a way, disappeared.”

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STORIES FROM THE BACK PORCH

Free state-owned text books, one tablet and pencil

Recently, I ran across a reading textbook with my name in the back, along with the date, 1943-44.

It’s interesting to look back at items such as this as it tends to bring up all kinds of memories.

One of the first things I noticed was the page with names. Later, these books had separate sheets glued inside the back cover for the students to register their books, for which they were responsible. However, this one was different. It had the registration page printed on the inside of the back cover as a part of the printing process of the texts.

At the top, was Form 5, then STATE OF LOUISIANA, Department of Education. STATE-OWNED (FREE) TEXTBOOKS, STATE-OWNERSHIP RECORD FORM.

Underneath all this were lines provided for the local information: Parish, School, Grade, Date Received, Book No., Library No., Names of pupils using this book and Session.

There were three names listed before mine, so apparently I was the fourth student to be privileged to use this state-owned treasure.

The book is “In City and Country” by Nila Banton

Smith, Louisiana Edition and was published by Silver, Burdett and Company, copyright, 1935. The text was divided into seven units: Automobile Stories; School Stories; Stories about the Postman, the Policeman, and the Fireman; Stories about Animals; Field Stories; Garden Stories; and Bird Stories.

The main characters are Tom and Nancy. Nancy was a character name also found in the first readers, Bob and Nancy.

I can still hear students reading aloud, “See Bob and Nancy. Bob and Nancy can ride. (horses) Clip-pity clop. Bob and Nancy can ride.”

As I looked back through the book, I recalled other interesting things about those first

The state issued each student one wide-ruled tablet and one pencil. The first graders were given a larger pencil to begin with and later they received the regular pencils which had La Schools imprinted on them. I don’t recall how long this one tablet and pencil were supposed to last but we were constantly reminded that the state gave us the materials so we should be appreciative and very careful with these treasures.

In those days, children were taught cursive writing from the beginning. We nev-

er learned manuscript, or as we referred to as printing. It wasn’t until I enrolled in college that I learned manuscript. The reason we had to know how to write it perfectly is because that was what we were expected to teach when we got in the classroom.

The reasoning for this (which I never could grasp because of my own experience in first grade) was that a young child’s small muscles were not developed enough to write in cursive. Therefore you taught them one method and a couple of years later you taught then the other way.

A few years ago our school system decided that cursive was an unnecessary skill therefore it was not taught. I’m hoping that by now, it is once again a part of the curriculum.

It’s sad but a running joke is that if you locked a student in a room with directions for escape written in cursive, he would not be able to get out.


It is my belief students should learn cursive and if it isn’t taught in school, then adults who have the skill should teach them.

Looking back at this treasured little textbook flooded my heart and mind with beautiful memories of school days.

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AROUND TOWN

UCAP Needs for Week of April 30:

Food: biscuit or pancake mix, cornbread mix
Clothing: men's socks
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UCAP is open Wednesdays and Fridays from 10:00 to 1:00 for food, utility and rent assistance. We give out clothing on Wednesdays only. (We will be open Good Friday.)

In March we filled 58 requests for clothing and supplied 29 families (56 individuals) with food. We paid \$1,547 in utilities and \$2,292 for emergency lodging. (Note: emergency lodging is paid every six months).

Thanks to the community for your support

Mt. Lebanon Spring Festival and Church Homecoming

Mt. Lebanon Spring Festival will be held at the Mt. Lebanon Museum on Saturday, May 1st from 11:00-3:00. The festival will feature gourmet hot dog lunch plates from 11-3, DJ music by John Cole, silent auction, and a cakewalk. We are also raffling off a 50" screen Hisense Smart TV to help pay for the restoration of Wayside Cottage. Raffle tickets are \$1.00 each and can be purchased at the Gibsland Grill. Mt. Lebanon Church Homecoming will take place on the following day. Mt. Lebanon is located 3 miles south of Gibsland.

Northwest Louisiana Master Gardeners Class Registration

Classes will be held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. every Thursday for 10 weeks, starting July 1, 2021. Attendance at all classes is required for certification. There is a \$150 registration fee, which covers the cost of training manuals, publications and supplies for the class. If you register by May 1, 2021, you will receive a \$25 discount. Class size is limited, and the registration deadline is June 1, 2021.

Call 318-927-3110 or 318-371-1371, to request an application, or download one at www.phlmg.com (Programs and follow the links). Applications may also be picked up at either Claiborne and Webster Extension Offices.

BUSINESS LIFE

Minden Business Community Welcomes New Members



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Minden Main Street and Minden Economic Development welcomed Resilient Living Community Services to as Downtown Minden's Newest business, offering Counseling and Therapy services to meet the mental health needs of the local community.



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The Greater Minden Chamber welcomed Uniti Fiber with a ribbon cutting at their offices. Uniti is a real estate investment trust focused on the communications infrastructure such as fiber and wireless towers to meet the communication needs of those they serve.

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

DAR April Meeting

Members of Dorcheat-Bistineau Chapter DAR met at St. John's Church in Minden on April 13th. This month's theme was A Tribute to Native Americans. Linda Watson gave a presentation about the life of Pocahontas. Hostesses for this month's meeting were Shirley Cobb, Mary Long, and Linda Watson.

Our annual DAR State Conference was held through a Zoom meeting again this year, and our chapter received several awards. All but one of the State Level winners of the DAR American History Essay Contest were from Webster Parish. They are: Anna Grace Vining (5th grade), Addison Bond (6th grade), and Cade Vining (8th grade). Because our chapter had three State level winners, we received the First Place Achievement Recognition Award in American History. Donna Sutton, our Genealogy Preservation Chair, received a top award at State for a major project involving the preserva-

tion of antique Bible records.

We are excited to welcome Nancy Holmes as a new member to our chapter. Her patriot ancestor is Robert McGinty. His biography is in a book called "A Twig of the McGinty Family Tree" by Garnie William McGinty, shelved at the Ringgold Branch Library. Robert McGinty was born in 1746 in Augusta Co, VA. When he was about 16 his father moved the family to North Carolina, and Robert attended school in Mecklenburg. He married Deborah Wright, the daughter of a Baptist minister. In 1779, they moved to Columbia Co, GA, and Robert served as a Private in the local militia. During the war, Georgia settlers were driven from their homes by the British, and they went as refugees into the Carolinas. After the war, Robert and his family returned to their ruined cabin and lands. Robert received 250 acres of bounty land and a bonus for refugee service. A few years later,

he was licensed to preach at Phillip Mill Baptist Church. According to Campbell's History of Georgia Baptists, Robert was a person of easy and polite manners, a man of general information, and a sound and sensible preacher. Robert died in Monroe Co, GA, on February 10, 1841.

Was one of your ancestors part of the American Revolution (1775-1783)? Researching your family has never been easier, and DAR members can help you. A membership in DAR connects you with a group of women who are passionate about history and service, with local projects that help veterans and inspire students. Please like our Facebook page: Daughters of the American Revolution - Dorcheat-Bistineau Chapter, and contact us at dorcheat-bistineau@yahoo.com.

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STRANGER FROM A STRANGE LAND

Three Decades a Dad

On May 2 my daughter Claire turns 30. She was born in Independence, Missouri at the Independence Regional Health Center a few years after the hospital changed its name from the Independence Sanitarium. We locals still called it the San even though the institution never specialized in treating tuberculosis. The building lasted a century and many 20th century babies born in Independence greeted life at the San. I hope Claire tells people she was born at the San so they can wonder she must be older than she looks.

She was nearly named Paige. Her parents couldn't agree on a baby name and so adjourned to neutral corners with a book of 10,000 baby names. We independently compiled lists of fifty acceptable candidates and then compared our results. Paige was the only name common to both lists. It seemed destiny. But while Paige was acceptable it cracked neither of our top ten. Her mom wanted Olivia. I resisted double vowel initials. I asked her to reconsider Claire. She had a teacher friend named Claire. She finally agreed. Claire was born and her parents agreed she looked like a Kelly. Too late. The birth certificate was completed and submitted. Fortunately, Claire likes her name.

I was enthusiastic about becoming a father and felt ready at age 28 with two concerns I've since realized should not have been worries. First, she had no siblings. I only had a brother and remember wishing for a sister. Claire didn't mind being an only child. You don't have to compete for

treats and attention. She was the only grandchild for years so she had toys aplenty. She later accumulated stepsisters so life is full. Second, she had no strong faith tradition to indoctrinate her impressionable mind. In hindsight that was a good thing and I celebrate she's a freethinker like her old man.

Claire recently tried her hand hosting a Passover Seder for friends in Pittsburgh. Good things about religion include comforting notions of the hereafter and life purpose. A bad thing is the frequent abdication of intellect. Many require you leave your challenging questions at the door. Judaism and Buddhism accommodate nimble minds.

Claire was a delightful little girl turned bright woman with interesting opinions. As a baby she sat early and walked late, content to observe the world and remark in sentences rather than just words. Preschool interactions were mostly with adults so she didn't engage in baby talk. Her funniest trick was The Ghost. Upon request she'd stiffen her arms and fingers and make an aghast expression that made her audience laugh. I can't remember who taught her The Ghost. I think her baby mind devised it.

I liked her friends but knew more during elementary school years than high school. Parents are often more involved in the life of their offspring as children than teens. At age 12, her parents divorced which I'm sure was traumatic for Claire

but not life shattering as for many children. It was an amicable split. Claire was glad to quickly gain new stepparents and sisters. I no longer saw her daily so I knew less about her. Maybe a preparatory transition to later years. I spent so much time with little Claire,



DIRK ELLINGSON

then less time with growing Claire, now an annual visit with grown Claire. I'm in a happier marriage now but Claire's mom and I were a good business partnership raising a child. Claire's early years were a happy time in my life.

There were some teen struggles but the parents and stepparents were on the same page in their reactions to infractions. I found cigarette butts in my garden which I blamed on a neighbor pitching over the fence. It didn't occur to me they could be my daughter's. Decades after the Surgeon Generals report I didn't think you needed to tell your kid not to smoke. Everyone knew it was dangerous. She tried e-cigarettes as an adult but the product was so dissatisfying it was easier to quit altogether.

Shared custody meant I saw less of Claire but time together was often spent joyously jamming on guitars. Cello was her first instrument. She took lessons at a Suzuki method school. Those were fun recitals where a stage full of little kids sawed away on Twinkle Twinkle Little Star. The violin kids couldn't join in because the beginners stayed in the key of A. Claire later opted for guitar. As every parent can attest, it's a strange feeling

when your child exceeds you in expertise. Claire still plays my 1985 Yamaha acoustic.

In 2014, she married her high school boyfriend Jacob who is a great life partner. In an era of divorce being prevalent, I think theirs is a marriage that will last. Jobs, cars, and houses come and go but you really want to try and make a good spouse selection. She chose wisely.

Claire moved to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania last year. Her parents bolted to Louisiana and Wisconsin respectively and Claire and Jacob decided to explore a different part of the country. Reverse manifest destiny moving east. They've friends along the Atlantic seaboard and Pittsburgh allows them closer access without big city cost of living expense in Philadelphia, New York, or Baltimore.

Nickelodeon cartoons appealed more to Claire as a child than the educational offerings of PBS. She didn't watch much Sesame Street because of an inexplicable fear of the puppet game show host Guy Smiley. You never knew when this recurring character might pop up. On the other hand, her favorite baby stuffed toy was Sesame Street's pigeon watcher and soda bottle cap collector Bert. She watched Mister Rogers' Neighborhood on PBS produced in Pittsburgh. Now she lives in the land of King Friday XIII and Neighbor Aber and Chef Brockett. Her house resembles the architecture of the show models seen in the opening and interstitial links.

When the pandemic passes, I look forward to visiting Claire and Jacob. Outside of

the airport, I've never been to Pittsburgh. We talk and text on the phone. We have more similar than differing viewpoints. She is comfortable to talk to and I think she'd say the same of me. Claire is a part of me like no one else on the planet. I'm nearer the age of my parents than my daughter yet closer in thought to her. Except I did laugh when my mom saw the tattoos on Claire's arm and tried to rub them off.

Claire's funny and clever without being a hardened skeptic. She was spawned from a cauldron of cynicism stirred by both parents. She has our good traits and not so much the bad. Her mom would tell you the same thing.

Claire is content with dogs and doesn't want to have children. That brings questions for someone her age and marital status. I received some interrogation for only having one child. Having none strikes some as odd. Although I enjoy being a father and Claire's a bright light in my life, I support her decision to not reproduce. There's certainly no shortage of human beings. Maybe I would feel differently if I had no grandchildren rather than the combined five of the stepdaughters. I always picked Claire for a cat person. She instead has dogs. And a bird too.

She seems happy with life. That makes me happy.

Happy birthday Claire. I miss you and love you and wish I got to see you more often.

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TRACK & FIELD

Glenbrook Track Finds Success at South State

MARNIE GREGG
Special to the Press-Herald

After being named District Champs on April 15, the Glenbrook Track Teams competed in the South State Meet at Canton Academy in Canton, Mississippi on April 21 and 24. The Girls team won 1st place overall, and the Boys placed 5th overall. Results were as follows:

GIRLS
Pole Vault: Vivian Still 1st place, Haley Self 2nd place
Shot Put: Reese Hanson 3rd place
Triple Jump: Olivia Downer 1st place
Long Jump: Evelyn Butler 4th place
3200m: Mattison Fowler 1st place, Emma Pitman 3rd place
4x100m: Camille Marvin, Evelyn But-

ler, Colby Hollis, Sarah Margaret Mosley 2nd place
100m Hurdles: Hadley Haynes 2nd place, Camille Marvin 4th place
100m Dash: Sarah Margaret Mosley 4th place
300m Hurdles: Vivian Still 1st place, Hadley Haynes 4th place
4x200m: Camille Marvin, Sarah Margaret Mosley, Evelyn Butler, Colby Hollis 2nd place
4x800m: Lauren Still, Emily Chanler, Vivian Still, Emma Pitman 1st place
800m: Lauren Still 1st place, Emma Pitman 2nd place
1600m: Mattison Fowler 2nd place, Emma Pitman 3rd place
400m Dash: Vivian Still 1st place, Olivia Downer 3rd place
200m Dash: Evelyn

Butler 4th place
4x400m: Lauren Still, Emma Pitman, Sarah Margaret Mosley, Vivian Still 1st place

BOYS
110m Hurdles: Ty Feaster 3rd place
300m Hurdles: Ty Feaster 4th place
4x200m Relay: Cale Hollis, Hayden Harmon, Turner McClelland, Cason Clemons 4th place
4x800m: Tucker Pitman, Collin Gregg, Cooper Chase, Nick Killgore 3rd place
100m Dash: DJ Carter 3rd place, Maddox Mandino 4th place
200m Dash: Jackson Powell 4th place
4x400: Sammy Feaster, Cale Hollis, Turner McClelland, Dayton Sims 1st place

“Our 4x400 Boys



DOUG GREGG/COURTESY PHOTO

Colby Hollis, Evelyn Butler, Sarah Margaret Mosley, and Camille Marvin won 2nd place for the Glenbrook Apaches in both the 4x100m and the 4x200m relays at the South State Meet in Canton, MS on April 24.

team winning South State was definitely a great moment thus far this season, as we came in with the 4th seeded time,” said Boys’ Coach James Thurman. When speaking about the up-

coming State Competition, Thurman said, “Our 4x800 team has the state’s #3 time going in, at 10:16.97.”

Led by Coaches Keith Pitman, Jill Chanler,

and James Thurman, students who placed in the top 4 of each event will compete in the State Competition April 30-May 1 in Jackson, Mississippi.



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SOCCER

Kemp selected for the 2021 LHSAA All-State Soccer Team



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Minden High School student Kaydree Kemp is one of the athletes selected for the 2021 Louisiana High School Athletes Association Girls All-State Freshman Soccer Team.

BASEBALL

The Tide Roll On



MARNIE GREGG/COURTESY PHOTO
Senior First Baseman, Jakob Walker, tries to get the out as the runner slides back into the bag.



MARNIE GREGG/COURTESY PHOTO
Minden High's Baseball team solidified a win (8-0) against Edna Karr on Tuesday to advance them to Round 2 of the 4A Playoffs. They will play a three-game series at Neville. Game one will be Friday, April 30 at 6:00pm, with game two on Saturday at 12:00pm (if necessary, game three will immediately follow). Tickets will be \$10 at the gate. For future updates, follow "Minden High Baseball Batter Up Club" on Facebook.

SOCCER

Glover signs with LC



COURTESY PHOTO
Ella Glover of the Minden High School Soccer Team seen as she signs the document cementing her place in the Louisiana College Wildcats Girls Soccer Team.

GOLF

MHS Golf Scores Seventh in Regionals

MARNIE GREGG
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The Minden High Golf team took part in the LHSAA Regional Tournaments this week, with both the Girls' and Boys' teams finishing 7th out of 16 teams. The Boys' event took place in Alexandria on Monday, April 26 and the Girls' were in Lake Charles on Tuesday the 27th.

"The adversity and determination this group showed was phenomenal," said first year coach Kelly Yancey. "We had two first year players in Mallory Pesnell and Elizabeth Tuttle that helped our team qualify for the Regionals." Each team had to compete to qualify for the Regional tournament. The girls succeeded at the Front 9 Tour Championship in Shreveport and the Boys in the District Tournament in Monroe.

Anna Grace Harris and Alex Guin, both Juniors, were the top two scorers throughout the Spring season. At Regionals, Guin tied for 6th place, just missing the cut for the State Championship. Cameron Herman and Cooper Parks



were the top scorers for the boys, followed by Jackson McCormick, Joseph Lee, and Blaine Bradley.

"This was my first year coaching golf at Minden High, and I was so proud of how this group progressed and grew better day by day. It's a real tribute to the character of these kids knowing they can set goals

and exceed those goals," Yancey said. "The best part is that I get all of them back next year, as we have no Seniors on this team."

The team will be holding a Golf Tournament event in late July at Pine Hills Golf Club to benefit the Minden High Golf Team. Look for more information in the near future.

INSPIRATION

A Stepping Stone or a Stumbling Block?

Webster gives several definitions for these two terms - opposite of each other. Stepping Stone: A stone on which to step to avoid getting soiled or wet or staying out of danger; A means of advancement, a positive step from Point A to Point B in life; to be a helper, agent of positive change, a factor in aiding another in a positive manner; an encourager. Stumbling Block: An obstacle to progress; an impediment to belief or understanding; Obstacle or hindrance or barrier.

Did you find yourself in one of these terms? We are there - sometimes as a stepping stone, sometimes as a stumbling block! Interestingly enough, there are references to these type of folks the Bible. Folks just like us were referred to by the prophets, by God Himself and the Lord Jesus. God spoke to the Patriarchs and prophets about those who 'stand in the way of God's plans'; (Num 13-



Bill Crider

14; Joshua 7) Jesus had words to say about them too. He pronounced harsh punishment upon those who are stumbling blocks for others, especially children. (Matt 18:2-6). Paul used these ideas of 'being an obstacle (Rom 11:9; 14:13; 1 Cor 8:9) or an encourager' throughout his writings. (Rom 16; 1 Cor 1-9, 16:13; 2 Cor 13:11; Gal 5:22-25; Eph 6:10-18, Phil 1: 3-11, Phil 4). The way we behave at home, at work, in public

or private settings greatly reflect the kind of person we are. Our actions, attitudes and behavior in public can be quite damaging to our reputation, influence upon others and can cause negative response from others. However, respecting others, affirming and encouraging them, doing kind things for no reason other than we care for them - are some ways one can reflect positive attitudes, allowing that person to be a 'stepping stone.' Students long remember teachers and their

attitudes and feelings toward class members - either good or bad. Some grown children look back on their childhood and remember parents as helpful and encouraging - or being negative, unloving or mean. Adults in the work force remember with fondness their supervisors who aided them in growing and achieving in their job assignments. Others have negative opinions about leaders who supervised them with a negative attitude about work, others and life in general.

How do you see yourself? How do others see you? Maybe it's time for each of us to do some introspection - a reflective looking inward; examination of one's own thoughts and feelings. When one is choosing a proper epitaph for your tomb, which would you rather be etched into the monument: "A Stumbling Block" or "A Stepping Stone?"

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THE UPWARD LOOK

Saved: Redemption

"For by grace you have been saved through faith" Ephesians 2:8a "Though you were slaves of sin . . . having been freed from sin" Romans 6:17b-18a NASB



Max Hutto

is legally freed by paying the purchase price. Relating to salvation, all unredeemed people are slaves to sin. In John 8:34 Jesus said that everyone who commits sin is the slave of sin. By His atoning substitutional sacrifice on the cross, Jesus paid the ransom for our sin. Through faith a person accepts God's gift of grace and is

redeemed, set free from the slavery of sin. Lord Jesus, I give You praise for You have redeemed me from the penalty of sin, You are redeeming me from the power of sin, and You will redeem me from the presence of sin. MAX HUTTO IS A BAPTIST MINISTER AND A RESIDENT OF MINDEN. MORE INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND AT WWW.UPWARDLOOK.ORG.

LET NOT YOUR HEART BE TROUBLED

Women of the Bible

Naomi was the wife of Elimelech. There was a famine in Israel. Elimelech took his family to Moab. He and his two sons died in Moab. One of his had married Ruth. Naomi got word that the famine was over in



Mack Ford

Israel. She returned to Israel with Ruth. Ruth told Naomi that where she lived I will live and your God shall be my God. Ruth married Boaz and gave birth to Obed. Ruth was the great grandmother of David. The next famous

woman was Hanna. She gave birth to Samuel, and she gave him to God to be a priest. David became King and had several women for his wife. One was Abigail. The most famous of David's wives was Bathsheba. To be continued. MACK FORD IS A LOCAL RESIDENT OF WEBSTER PARISH

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Level: Advanced

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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ANSWER:

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WORD SLEUTH

YELLOWSTONE

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E P C Z X Y R V T R P D T R N

L J R H M I O E C A F O Y A W

V T R O F P S M S A P L L E N

L K O D N R I N I D G A E B C

B S L Z E G O T U N K F X K W

E I U S S Y H M R E G F P C O

W L Y M N F L O S J I U G A E

S E K A U Q H T R A E B D L B

G A C L Y S R E G N A R X B W

Thursday's unlisted clue: DOWNS

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.
Friday's unlisted clue hint: WILD CANINES

Black bears

Elk

Mud pots

Waterfalls

Buffalo

Geysers

Old Faithful

Wildfires

Canyons

Lakes

Pronghorn

Wyoming

Earthquakes

Moose

Rangers

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HISTORY

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Duong Van Minh, who had only been in office for 2 days, surrendered unconditionally.

1916 - Germany and its World War I allies become the first countries to use daylight saving time (DST). The rationale was to save energy to aid the war effort. Other European countries, such as the United Kingdom, first introduced DST later that year.

1789 - George Washington becomes the first U.S. President. Washington took the oath of office on the balcony of Federal Hall in New York City. In the United States, he is venerated as one of the country's founding fathers.

COMICS

BABY BLUES | RICK KIRKMAN AND JERRY SCOTT

LET'S DO THIS

JUST A SEC.

MOM, HAMMIE AND I ARE GOING TO SNEAK OVER TO THE NEIGHBORS' YARD LIKE NINJAS TO RETURN THE LAWN Gnomes HE STOLE, OKAY?

THAT FELT GOOD. LET'S GO.

BLONDIE | DEAN YOUNG AND JOHN MARSHALL

TODAY THE BOSS REMINDED ME THAT HE HAS HIRED SEVERAL OFFICE MANAGERS OVER THE YEARS

THEN HE TOLD ME THAT I'M NOT THE WORST OF THE BUNCH

BUT COMING FROM HIM, I'LL TAKE IT

BEETLE BAILEY | MORT & GREG WALKER

THAT'S SARGE'S "POKER FACE"

HE LOOKS LIKE HE HAS A GOOD HAND

YEAH, AND ANYBODY WHO FOLDS IS IN BIG TROUBLE

FUNKY WINKERBEAN | TOM BATIUK

"THE DISCMAN JUST SEEMED TO BE FLOATING TOWARD THE MOVING TREADMILL..."

"SO I STEPPED SIDEWAYS ONTO THE MOVING TREADMILL TO TRY TO CATCH IT!"

WHICH I REALIZE IN HINDSIGHT I SHOULDN'T HAVE DONE.

I WOULD'VE KNOWN NOT TO DO THAT AT THE TIME!

HI AND LOIS | BRIAN WALKER, GREG WALKER AND CHANCE BROWNE

SEPARATE THE DARKS AND LIGHTS, AND DO TWO LOADS.

ANOTHER REASON FOR AN ALL-BLACK WARDROBE.

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE | CHRIS BROWNE

MEAN MAX, I'M HAPPY YOU DIDN'T INSULT, BERATE OR HIT THE WAITER TONIGHT, BUT I'M NOT HAPPY YOU'RE TAKING THE TIP I LEFT.

MAYBE I THOUGHT I EARNED IT!

SAM AND SILO | JERRY DUMAS

SHOOT, SILO! THE WHOLE GANG IS GETTING AWAY!

I'M TRYING!

POW!

HEY! THEY'RE TURNING BACK! DO SOMETHING!

BOY, YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU CAN DO TILL YOU TRY!

MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM | MIKE PETERS

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SHERIFF'S SALE

CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK, N.A. VS. ANGELA MORGAN HAYNES AND CHARLES G. MORGAN

In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. 79075. By virtue of a WRIT OF SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, in the above styled and numbered suit and to me directed, I have seized and taken into my possession and will offer for sale at public auction to the last and highest bidder for cash WITH the benefit of appraisal and according to law at the principal front door of the Courthouse in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana on WEDNESDAY, May 5, 2021, During the legal sale hours, the following property, to wit: Exhibit "A" DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY: Begin at the Southwest Corner of Section 5, Township 22 North, Range 10 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana, thence run North 2 degrees 48 minutes West 2731.76 feet to the point of beginning of the property herein conveyed: thence run North 89 degrees 30 minutes East 317.5 feet; thence run North 2 degrees 48 minutes West 2731.76 feet to the point of beginning, containing 1.35 acres, more or less. AND Begin at the Southeast Corner of Section 6, Township 22 North, Range 10 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana, thence run North 2 degrees 48 minutes West 2,731.76 feet to

the point of Beginning of the property herein conveyed; thence continue North 2 degrees 48 minutes West 185 feet; thence run North 89 degrees 00 minutes West 210 feet; thence South 2 degrees 48 minutes East 185 feet; thence run South 89 degrees 00 minutes East 210 feet to the point of beginning, containing one are, more or less, located in the Southeast Quarter of Northeast Quarter (SE/4 of NE/4), Section 6, Township 22 North, Range 10 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana. SOLD SUBJECT TO ANY SUPERIOR LIENS, MORTGAGES OR PRIVILEGES THERETO. Said property seized is that of the defendant and will be sold to satisfy a judgment rendered in our Honorable Court. JASON R. PARKER Sheriff & Ex-Officio Auctioneer Webster Parish, Louisiana Linda Vaughan - Deputy April 2, 2021 April 30, 2021 Minden Press-Herald

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS SEALED BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED at the office of Johnny Rowland, Jr., Superintendent, Webster Parish School Board, 1442 Sheppard Street, Minden, Louisiana 71055, until the hour of 2:00 P.M. (CST), Monday, May 3rd, 2021 at which time bids will be opened and read aloud in the Webster Parish School Board office for: Lakeside and Central Parking Lot and Site Improvements Webster Parish, LA A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at 1:30 P.M. (CST), Tuesday, April 20th, 2021 at Lakeside Jr. Sr. High School located at 9090 Hwy 371, Sibley, LA 71073. Bid Documents may be obtained during normal office hours at the office of Civil Design Group, LLC, 601 Spring Street, Suite B, Shreveport, LA 71101, upon receipt of

a deposit in the amount of \$50.00 for each set of documents. Normal office hours are 7:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. Monday through Thursday, and 7:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. on Friday. Deposit for the first set is fully refundable, to all bonafide prime bidders who submit a bid, upon return of the documents in good condition no later than ten (10) days following receipt of bids. The deposit on all other sets of documents will be refunded fifty percent (50%) upon return of documents as stated above. Contractors not submitting a bid on the project will be refunded fifty percent (50%) of plan deposit upon return of bid documents within ten (10) days after receipt of bids. Bidding documents will be available beginning at 10:00 A.M. (CST), Friday, April 9th, 2021. All inquiries shall be directed to: Gary M. Clark, P.E. Civil Design Group, LLC (318) 674-9616 (office) gclark@cdg-apec.com Work on this Project includes all work as indicated in the Construction Documents (Bid Documents), which includes Drawings, Project Manual and Addenda (if any). NOTE: BIDS SHALL ONLY BE ACCEPTED FROM CONTRACTORS WHO ARE LICENSED UNDER LOUISIANA CONTRACTORS LICENSING LAW FOR THE MAJOR CLASSIFICATION OF "HIGHWAY, STREET, AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION". Bids must be accompanied by a bid security equal to five percent (5%) of the Total Bid (including any Alternates). Bid Security must be in the form of a cashier's check, certified check or a satisfactory bid bond written by a company with a current A. M. Best Rating of 'A-' (Excellent), Financial Size Category 'VII' with a 'Stable' Outlook and licensed in the State of Louisiana. The successful bidder will

be required to furnish the following bonds written by a company with a current A. M. Best Rating of 'A' (Excellent), Financial Size Category 'VII' with a 'Stable' Outlook and licensed in the State of Louisiana: Performance Bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount; Payment Bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount; and Maintenance Bond in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the contract amount. The Total Contract Time shall be One Hundred and Thirty (130) calendar days. The project includes work at two different locations and includes project milestones which requires portions of the work to be completed within Sixty (60) calendar days. Liquidated Damages, as provided for in the Contract Documents, will apply for each consecutive calendar day that the Work is not completed beyond the established completion date which will be based on a date of commencement of work fixed in a Notice to Proceed, subject to such adjustments of the Contract Time as may be made according to the terms of the Contract Documents. Said sums shall in no event be construed to be a penalty; but only as damages fixed and agreed upon in advance. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of forty-five (45) days after actual date of the opening thereof. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids with just cause. Bids which deviate from the Construction Documents will not be considered. Bid related materials may be found at www.centralbidding.com, and bids may be submitted electronically at www.centralbidding.com. April 9, 2021 April 16, 2021 April 23, 2021 April 30, 2021 Minden Press-Herald

PUBLIC NOTICE

Minden Planning Commission Meeting May 6, 2021 – 10:00 a.m. Pelican Room - Minden City Hall On the agenda is a request from New Cingular Wireless PCS (option holder for lease) for approval to build a 255' self-support telecommunications tower with 10' lightning rod and associated structures on property belonging to JHE-LO Inc. located at 900 Homer Road. Legal Description: 100' X 100' LEASE AREA: BEING A PORTION OF THE CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND DESCRIBED AND RECORDED IN BOOK 1102, PAGE 790 IN THE PARISH ASSESSOR'S OFFICE, WEBSTER PARISH, LOUISIANA, LYING IN THE NW/4 OF SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH, RANGE 9 WEST, WEBSTER PARISH, LOUISIANA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT A 2" OPEN TOP PIPE FOUND ON THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF HOMER ROAD AT THE NORTH-EAST CORNER OF SAID CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND; THENCE S 00°02'04" E A DISTANCE OF 332.33 FEET TO A ½" REBAR FOUND AT THE SOUTH-EAST CORNER OF SAID CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND; THENCE N 66°48'56" W A DISTANCE OF 3.72 FEET TO A SET 5/8" REBAR AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N 90°00'00" W A DISTANCE OF 100.00 FEET TO A SET 5/8" REBAR; THENCE N 00°00'00" E A DISTANCE OF 100.00 FEET TO A SET 5/8" REBAR; THENCE S 90°00'00" E A DISTANCE OF 100.00 FEET TO A SET 5/8" REBAR; THENCE S 00°00'00" W A DISTANCE OF 100.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID ABOVE DESCRIBED TRACT CONTAINS 10,000 SQUARE FEET OR 0.23 ACRES, MORE

OR LESS. All interested parties will be given a chance to be heard. April 16, 2021 April 23, 2021 April 30, 2021 Minden Press-Herald

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS DIXIE OVERLAND WATERWORKS, INC. Owner P. O. Box 692 Address Minden, Louisiana 71058-0692 City, State, Zip Separate sealed BIDS for the construction of US 80 & FULLER CEMETERY ROAD WATER LINE EXTENSION will be received by the DIXIE OVERLAND WATERWORKS, INC. at the MINDEN RECREATION CENTER, 1000 Recreational Drive, Minden, LA 71055 until 10:00 AM, THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2021, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud as permitted by public bid law. This is in accordance with LA R.S. 38§2214.A. The designer's estimate must be read aloud at the time of the bid opening in accordance with Public Bid Law, LA R.S. 38§22.12.H THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following location(s): Cothren Graff Smoak Engineering, Inc., 6305 Westport Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71129 Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be obtained at the office of CO-THREN, GRAFF, SMOAK ENGINEERING, INC. upon payment of \$ 35.00 for each set, which is refundable to prime bidders within 10 days after receipt of bids. Owner may reject any and all bids for just cause in accordance with LA R.S. 38§2214.B. April 16, 2021 April 23, 2021 April 30, 2021 Minden Press-Herald

ADVERTISEMENT INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids are hereby invited by Webster Parish School Board for: Bid #85 -Cafeteria Equipment - Large

Bids will be received no later than 9:00 a.m., Thursday, May 20, 2021, at the Webster Parish School Board Child Nutrition Dept. 1442 Sheppard St, Minden, LA 71055. After stamping to acknowledge timely receipt, bids will be publicly opened and read aloud by a designated representative of the Webster Parish School Board. Any bid received after this due date and time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Complete bid documents may be obtained at the Webster Parish School Board, 1442 Sheppard St, Minden, LA 71055. Bid shall be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked on the outside with: 1. Bidder's name 2. Bid due date/ 3. Project number / name : Bid#85 Cafeteria Equipment - Large Official bid documents are available online at www.centralbidding.com. Electronic bids may be submitted online at www.centralbidding.com. For questions related to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814. Bids must be submitted on the official bid form(s) furnished in the bid package. Bids submitted on any other form(s) will be rejected. Awards will not be made at the time of the bid opening, but will be awarded by the School Board at a later meeting. Webster Parish School Board reserves the right to reject, in whole or in part, any and all bids and to waive any and all technicalities and informalities in accordance with state law. April 27, 2021 April 30, 2021 Minden Press-Herald

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES

The Town of Cotton Valley is applying for a grant under the FY 2022/2023 Louisiana Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG) Program for the purpose of making public facility improvements. The Town of Cotton Valley is interested in procuring the services of an engineer to develop the project for the application package and to provide engineering services for the project if it is successful in being funded. The procedures for the selection of this firm will be in accordance with the procurement requirements of the LCDBG Program. All responses received will be evaluated in accordance with the selection criteria and corresponding point system that is identified in the request for qualifications statements package. That package also identifies the scope of services to be performed by the selected firm. The Town of Cotton Valley will award the contract to the respondent obtaining the highest score in the evaluation process. Interested parties are invited to secure a qualifications statements package from Tiffany Parish, Town Clerk at P. O. Box 415, Cotton Valley, LA 71018, 3318-832-4283. The response to this request must be mailed to the above named person at the above named address in such a manner that it is received no later than 12:00noon on May 7th, 2021.

The Town of Cotton Valley is an Equal Opportunity Employer. We encourage all small and minority-owned firms and women's business enterprises to apply.

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SEX OFFENDER NOTIFICATION

I, Joshua Ray Boykin, have been convicted of CONTRIBUTING TO THE DELINQUENCY OF JUVENILES PERFORM SEXUALLY IMMORAL ACTS. My Address is 1509 HIGHWAY 516 HEFLIN, LA 71039, Bienville County.

Age: 38 (DOB: 03/04/1983)
• Height: 5'10"
• Sex: M
• Weight: 165lbs
• Race: White
• Eyes: Hazel
• Hair: Brown
• Scars/Tattoos: Tattoo on abdomen ("JOSH")
April 30, 2021
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D&M Sewell LLC dba Roma's Italian Bistro is applying to the Office of Alcohol & Tobacco Control of the State of Louisiana for a permit to sell beverages of high and low alcohol content at retail in Webster Parish at the following address: 519 Main Street, Minden, La 71055

D&M Sewell LLC Roma's Italian Bistro
Managing Member: Michael Sewell
April 30, 2021
May 4, 2021
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April 30, 2021

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AUCTION NOTICE The following units are considered abandoned and will be sold at auction on: Friday, April 30, 2021 9:00 AM. Minden Mini Storage 410 Morris Drive Minden LA 71055. Unit Listings: Unit - Contents 49 - Christmas tree, light fixture, boxes, and misc boxes. 42 - Dresser, mattress, box spring, bed frame, rocking chair, TV, lamps, box fan, and coat rack. 46 - Coffee Table, end tables, lamps, pillows, and misc decor. 59 - 3 mattresses, bed frame, push mower, 2 weed eaters, mini fridge, and TV

BE PREPARED TO TAKE ALL PURCHASES WITH YOU AFTER THE SALE!

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For more information, you may visit or call: Head Start Administrative Office

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318-377-7022

EMPLOYMENT WEBSTER PARISH HEAD START has an immediate opening for Bus Driver in the Minden, Cotton Valley, Homer and Haynesville area. Requirements are CDL with Passenger and School Bus Endorsement. Please apply at Webster Parish Community Services or the Head Start Administrative Office.

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