

Something Special Martha Jane Anderson

Life's restoration and regeneration comes from the grace and mercy of our Father who gives us new hope because of our deep belief in Him and the unseen. Sometimes we are unable to hold on to Him in tough times, but the Christ holds on to us!

Some "enchanted evening" on Saturday night last was too grand for me to describe, so great friends, Nancy King, Linda Reeves, and Jana Brockman, shared for us the best possible review of my only granddaughter, Ainsley Scott Anderson's, engagement celebration to Dr. Vincent Herlevic. She is the daughter of Mark and the late Rosemary Upshaw Anderson and granddaughter of Yvonne and Kent Anderson. Vincent is the son of Ronda and Marty Herlevic and grandson of Maurine Herlevic, all of Monroe.

Friends Allison Cattar, Denise Smith, Paige Ensminger, Laura Marchelos, Lisa Nelson and Nancy King had a vision for the party for which we are so grateful. Fine Crane invitations of ecru bond trimmed in gold with black raised script set the tone for the exciting party.



Martha Jane Anderson retired from ULM after 35 years of service as Assistant Dean of Students and SGA Advisor.

Family and friends gathered for an unbelievable evening. Monroe's most talented ladies provided the spectacular flowers, led by Dee Ledbetter, Nancy Williams, Julie Weaver, Susie Husted, Holly Ratcliff, Ginny Yatco, Stuart Scalia and Sue Sartor with the menu choices of Monroe's best party host, Deannie Baker, and music by a great jazz combo.

The BDCC parking and gardens were recreated into something special under the leadership of Club president, George Snellings IV. and

Board. This event was a huge challenge for the highly competent John Pruitt and his staff but their solution worked! What seemed impossible during the rainstorms turned into an enchanting evening with a fabulous sunset on the lush golf course and Bayou DeSiard shimmering placidly in the twilight as guests arrived via loaded vans and golf carts from the club's specified parking areas.

To begin the evening, father, Mark Anderson, welcomed all, thanked the hosts and toasted the couple with a mention of "fabulous" to evoke the favorite word of late mom, Rosemary, when describing the very best! Richard Crowe, close family friend, was emotional in his toast to the couple who "bring out the best in each other. We are here to wish them a happy and blessed life!"

Groom's Dad, Marty, recognized the hard work by hosts to create such a great party and gave best wishes to the couple along with a toast from brother, Mark Kent Anderson, who predicted good luck and future hunting fun at McGowan Brake.

On the arm of Vincent, Ainsley Scott was simply radiant in an off the shoulder designer dress of ivory silk with magnificent jewelry of gold and emeralds.

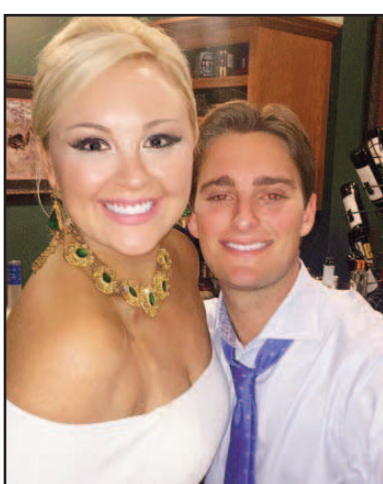
The forever young, Ronda Herlevic, looked amazing in navy with a beaded neckline and stiletto heels by Gianni Bini in sand suede and leather. Other outstanding cocktail dresses were seen on Hannah Harris in sleeveless turquoise, Riley McKernan in fabric of jewel encrusted blush pink satin, Dianne Cage in a beautiful print dress with stole, Jan Brockman in fabric of white silk ribbons, Vada Moore in sleek orange with sisters, Caroline and Holly Scott looking great, just to mention a few of the best!

The club was transformed with magnificent ceiling high arrangements of exquisite roses, lilies, hydrangeas and greenery cascading down on round tables skirted in elegant floor length cream silk. The exquisite cloths were adorned with hand embroidered white flowers. The Fireside room mantel was truly a magnificent memory of Ainsley's mom, as Dee Ledbetter nestled angel wings among roses and greenery.

The hosts arranged an outstanding placement of dining tables with extraordinary silver serving pieces that held special hors d'ouvres, some almost too pretty to eat. Included on the menu were carving stations of ribeye roast and ham with yeast rolls, shrimp cocktail in shot glasses, BDCC crab cakes, artichoke and spinach dip, salmon with the



ABOVE: Ainsley Scott Anderson & Dr. Vincent Herlevic.



The Engagement Celebration of Ainsley Scott Anderson & Dr. Vincent Herlevic

LEFT: Ainsley and brother, Mark Kent Anderson having fun in the "wee" hours. RIGHT: Ainsley Anderson and bridesmaids, Whitney Barefoot, Julie Zambie and Jessica Johnston.



ABOVE: Dr. Vincent Herlevic, Ainsley and father, Mark Anderson, after toasts to the engaged couple.



ABOVE: Ainsley Upshaw Lewis, son, Adam, John Gordon McKernan with mom, Shannon Field. Adam caught a 20-yard pass from JG for a touchdown on Friday night against Rummel.



ABOVE: Mark Kent Anderson, Riley McKernan celebrating Dad Gordon McKernan's Big 50, at Baton Rouge Country Club LEFT: Emma and Danette Sager.



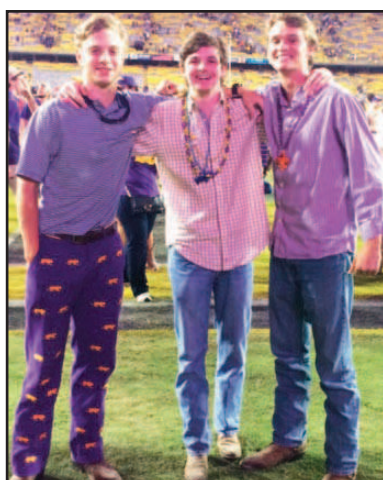
ABOVE: Dee Ledbetter with lovely daughter, Rachel Ledbetter. RIGHT: Garnet Robinson and Raph Rhymes.



ABOVE: Talented couple Deidre and Michael Henry. RIGHT: Wayne and Kathy Williamson, Dr. Terry and Nancy King, Stewart and Donna Cathey at the Barry's.



ABOVE: The beautiful Johnson girls, Dolores, Courtney, Jenifer and Jill celebrating Johnny T. Johnson.



ABOVE: Neville friends forevermore — Anne Lockhart, Martha Stevenson, Ann Pardue, Judy Haddad and Loreli Kusin. LEFT: Walker Stinson, Jefferson Manning, John Graydon Lewis, LSU Sigma Nu's — cousins and great friends.

trimmings, bacon wrapped water chestnuts and much more.

The hosts gave a special gift of Waterford champagne flutes to the couple! Ainsley and Vincent presented all the hosts with a rose gold box, which when opened held a candle with an attached note...

"We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for being a part of the most exciting time of our lives."

It was a memorable evening for an exceptional couple who blend her fun loving style and decorat-

ing skills with his passion for excellence in caring for the ill.

May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord makes His face shine down on you and give you His peace... this is the grandmothers' prayer for the young couple.

Martha Jane



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