

Community Corner

Selina Akter & Anna Rowan Exhibitions

Dates: Jan. 11-Feb.21
On view: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Location: 1400 South Grand, Monroe LA 71201
Phone: 318-329-2237
Ana Benaroya: Standing Before Evil is a mural installation depicting the battle between good and evil. This installation uses contemporary takes on archetypal imagery to convey a clear sense of Benaroya's characters' moral bearing.

Common Ground: Selina Akter & Anna Rowan Common Ground is an autobiographical two-woman show featuring the work of two friends, Selina Akter and Anna Rowan.

Salute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Dates: Jan. 11, 2018
11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Location: 401 Lea Joyner Memorial Expressway, Monroe LA 71210

Phone: 318-329-2225
Mayor Jamie Mayo and the Monroe City Council invite the entire community to attend the City of Monroe's 39th Annual Birthday Salute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

In honor of the 50th anniversary of Dr. King's death, they are utilizing the theme issued by the King Center.

The 2018 theme is: "MLK- Together We Win with Love for Humanity." The keynote speaker will be Grambling State University President Richard J. Gallot, Jr.

The Hoppers

Dates: Jan. 12, 2018
Hours: 7-9 p.m.
Location: 681 Hwy. 594, Monroe LA 71203
Phone: 318-343-2769
Gospel music family, The Hoppers, celebrate 60 years of delighting audiences with soul-stirring, uplifting music.

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COLUMN

Something Special with Martha Jane Anderson

Happy New Year to all *Ouachita Citizen* readers. We are blessed! As Psalm 46 says, "He is our refuge and strength, a very present help in times of trouble."

The Lord along with close friends and family ease the burden of the loss of a son, Pat Jr., who was special to us. We have had a hard time because his death was so sudden and not in the natural order of life. He was not supposed to predecease his dad. What we have learned is that we should focus on what we have left, the children, family, and friends, not the loss! Many thanks to all who prayed, sent notes and cards, stopped to see us at Kilpatrick's and provided the best food for five days. We shall never forget that Ellen Huey, the Divas, and Kaydell Jackson sent fried chicken and ribs. Michelle and Jackie Guillot's Life Group provided as well as Juli Kemp and Denita White from Pat's Life Group at First West. We thank Brenda Laird, Lisa Crawford, and many more for serving the family. We so appreciated the beautiful message from Dr. Mark Fenn!

One of the exciting things in our family is Randy Ewing being sworn in on the Louisiana Board of Regents which supervises and serves higher education in our state. Rosemary Upshaw Ewing has served on the Restoration Board of the Old La. State Capitol near the Mississippi River to keep this fabulous Neo-Gothic style castle on North Boulevard in pristine form. It deserves a visit which is free on our next trip to Baton Rouge!

LSU's 2018 basketball team has real promise with #3 freshman point guard, Tremont Waters, hit a 3-point shot with .7 of a second left to beat Texas A&M by 69-68.

The NOLA Saints won in an exciting game, 31-26 against the Carolina Panthers in The Mercedes Super Dome which means we will play the Minnesota Vikings on Sunday next there.

House Majority leader, Steve Scalise, R-La., of Kenner, was among eleven Cabinet members and those close to President Trump, who met at Camp David to negotiate the DACA situation on the children of illegal immigrants. The historic meeting also raised the drilling cap from \$500 to \$650 million for Louisiana in offshore oil drilling.

We are so thrilled to share the engagement of Vici French and Charles Brumfield, of Morehouse Parish! They will live in Monroe. Jan Clay and Sharon T. Brown hosted the bride friends on Friday last at Jan's Deborah Drive home. Sharon got Genusa's to cater and we brought our own libations. The gift for the bride was a "to die for" pewter tray from Material Things! Blessings to Vici and Charles.

Tragic news from Norway...Charlie and Brooksie Hamaker were visiting their son for a dream Christmas. Charlie had a heart attack and died! Love and prayers for Brooksie and all the Hamaker family!

We always get solace from this scripture... "We rejoice in our suffering, knowing that suffering produces endurance, endurance produces character, and character produces hope." Romans 5: 3-5

Let us start 2018 with peace in the world and let it start with us. Let us be the first to hand out the olive branch!

Martha Jane



Martha Jane Anderson retired as Assistant Dean of Students at ULM, SGA Advisor, Alpha Lambda Delta Regional Coordinator and National Council of Mortar Board.



ABOVE: Bridge friends gathered at Jan Clay's to celebrate Vici French's engagement to attorney, Charles Brumfield of Morehouse Parish.



ABOVE: Bubba Henry, Susan Wolff Snyder, and Shearon Henry at a fabulous party for Jerry Wolff's Big 80!



ABOVE: Former Louisiana Senate President, Randy Ewing, being sworn in to the La. Board of Regents in Baton Rouge.



ABOVE: Newly engaged Vici French and attorney, Charles Brumfield.



ABOVE: Friends gathered for dinner at the home of Susan Crawford with Carolyn Bolton, Dorothy Schween, Rosemary Harrison, Marianne Wilcox, and Evelyn Amman Hahn.



ABOVE: Hadley, Cora, and Campbell Dean visiting their grandmother, Gretchen Dean. All smart and pretty like their grandmother.



ABOVE: J.B. and Janice Landry with Carole and Tex Kilpatrick having fun with Jerry Wolff!



ABOVE: The best of the best — Dr. Mike and Dianne Cage.



PAT ANDERSON'S five cute and smart great-grandsons in the game room of Jackie and Ricky Guillot: Reid, Jack, Brady, Noah, and Paxton.



ABOVE: Jim Snyder, Susan Wolff Snyder, and Susan Wolff celebrating Jerry Wolff's 80th Birthday at Genusa's.



RIGHT: LSU's Coach Ogeron with Governor John Bell Edwards and son, and Adam Upshaw Lewis getting ready for the Citrus Bowl!

FREE PAP SMEAR & CLINICAL BREAST EXAM

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20th, 2018

8:00 A.M. - 12:00 NOON

1162 Oliver Road, Suite 7
Monroe, LA

Location: Oncology Associates of Monroe in the old Montgomery Wards Store in the Twin City Shopping Center.

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For more information or to schedule your appointment, call:

(318) 966-1953

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ABOVE: Popular Laura and Zack Marchelos celebrating with the Wolff family.



ABOVE: Stunning photo of newly engaged Vici French and party hostess, Jan Clay!