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Something Special with Martha Jane Anderson

Based on Psalm 5...Those who love and are kind, patient, caring, forgiving, praying, etc., and know to take our mess of lives to God. We cannot fix most things, but with God's help, we have a better chance if it is His will for us. Ask God to listen as we need His help! We can take our royal messes to the Father! At the Oncology Associates where many go, the nurses have a great sign in the Lab...When we can no longer get up, kneel!



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

Take the hardest task we have to God or whomever the first thing in the morning, before He or the boss or whomever is over burdened with the problems of the day!

Do we pray to God for His justice, His fairness, and do we fully trust Him? God, make our ways straight before You! Martin Luther prayed that truth will triumph!

In God's loving kindness he has protected us. David said we are going to trust the Lord for He is fair and has given us grace and mercy that we don't deserve! Adapted from

Nathan's message at First West on June 10.

There is so much good news:

WMHS Choir just returned from a great European performance and tour including Normandy, Paris, Notre Dame Cathedral, and la Madeleine Cathedral.

Greg A. Oden and Kristen A. Oden, Directors of the musical events, are outstanding musicians in their own right who have guided many to excellence in vocal and instrumental music. The choir sang at Normandy: On Flanders Field, Amazing Grace, and The Star Spangled Banner with Paige Freeman on the Oboe. This was a top cultural opportunity for the outstanding choir and congratulations to the leadership at West Monroe High School. Nancy and Dr. Jeff Counts were among those who made the trip in support of Caroline.

Beautiful great/niece, Bess Ewing, was named White Rose Queen by the Sigma Nu Fraternity at La Tech!

She is Rosemary and Randy Ewing's granddaughter as well as Dr. Larry and Nelda Neal. Her escort for the occasion was Bankston Summersgill.

Dr. Ralph Talbot's great-grandson, Will Greer, has just graduated from West Point. Meredith Hemrick Greer is mom and Nancy and John Hemrick are grandparents. We are thrilled for them. Pappy Talbot was a legend in this area! See photo!

Dr. Ed Coates and Susan were in Atlanta with Bill and personality plus, Darby Reed! The couples were worshipping at Peachtree Methodist in Atlanta where Catherine Coates Waltz teaches the 4-year-olds. Coincidentally, Darby Reed taught Catherine when she was four at St. Paul's. We miss all of you as they are special in that all four have given back to our community!



ABOVE: WMHS Choir at la Madeleine Cathedral in Paris. RIGHT: Stephen and Cherise Swander tripping in Paris with Susan and Jim Snyder.



ABOVE: Montmartre with WMHS Choir at "la sacre'-coeur" RIGHT: Will Greer graduating from West Point and whose grandparents are Nancy Talbot and John Hemrick with mom, Meredith Hemrick!



Two homes that interiors are so chic and special are those of Kathy Johnston Patrick on River Oaks and Satchie Snelings Godfrey on Oakleigh! Kathy hosted Potpourri Book Club for the spring picnic and Satchie is hosting the Tri Deltas College Rush/Recruitment meeting! One does not want to miss the chance to see both! Just fabulous!

Justify won the Triple Crown in horse racing on Saturday. This was 150 years of the NY Belmont Stakes and only 13 horses have won the Triple Crown! Justify now has a 75 million stud fee...unbelievable!

Ainsley Anderson Herlevic was hired by a California producer to be the designer for the 2018 Miss USA and Miss

Teen USA held in Shreveport at the old Hirsch Coliseum. Her responsibilities included decorating the outside of the Hirsch, the entrances, the lobbies, and the NYC company hired her to decorate seven rooms for the celebs in attendance. She also designed the room for the contestants to gather prior to the performances. The transformation of the spaces was truly amazing. Congrats to all who supported Ainsley Events, the name of her company!

Trust in the Lord without wavering,

Martha Jane

KTVE-KARD Founder's Day of Caring focuses on feeding homeless veterans

Each year, NBC 10 & Fox 14 celebrate their company's Founder's Day by paying it forward and helping a local non-profit organization.

This year's beneficiary is The Wellspring Homeless Veteran's Program.

Says KARD Vice Pres-

ident-General Manager Randy Stone, "We thank our Veterans for their Service and it's time we do our part. I'm proud of the great patriotic partners we have in this effort just to see that no Veteran goes hungry."

Leading up to Found-

er's Day, KTVE-KARD partnered with the United Way, The Wellspring, Mac's Fresh Market and four area churches to hold a month-long food drive for hundreds of homeless veterans and their families.

On June 14 & 15, all food

collected will be picked up, sorted, boxed and delivered to The Wellspring by station employees, church volunteers, the United Way and our local National Guard.

Company-wide, Nexstar Broadcasting will donate one dollar for each hour

employees volunteer to local Founder's Day of Car-

ing projects. *See photos at*

www.ouachitacitizen.com.

OCA: Donations needed for program

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DONATIONS NEEDED FOR CAREGIVER SUPPORT PROGRAM

The National Family Caregiver Support Program at Ouachita Council on Aging is seeking donations of adult diapers, specifically the large "pull-ups" style, and all flavors of nutritional supplements (including those for diabetics) to be distributed to clients in need. Current supplies are depleted and need to be replenished. If you have items to donate to this program, please drop them off at 2407 Ferrand Street in Monroe.

OUACHITA COUNCIL ON AGING SERVICES

If you are wondering what services are offered thru the Ouachita Council on Aging, please go to our website at www.ouachitacoa.com or find us on Facebook. Ad-

ditionally, you may call our offices at (318) 387-0535 or visit us at 2407 Ferrand Street in Monroe. Services at Ouachita Council on Aging are available to all seniors, age 60+, in Ouachita Parish. All participants must fill out an assessment form once annually to receive a "membership card". Membership is free, so stop by today and get acquainted.

"BINGO" EVERY FRIDAY AT 10:30 A.M.

Perhaps the most popular activity held at Carolyn Rose Strauss Senior Center is Friday BINGO.

We are fortunate to have sponsors who help ensure that our winners are able to choose from some terrific prizes. A special thanks goes out to Kilpatrick Funeral Homes, Mulhearn Funeral

Homes, Paramount Health-care Consultants, and Kindred at Home for making BINGO such a fun time for our seniors.

LUNCH SERVED DAILY AT CAROLYN ROSE STRAUSS SENIOR CENTER

Good nutrition is important for everyone, especially seniors, who often settle for a sandwich or soup in lieu of a home-cooked, balanced meal. Many older individuals state that it's "too much trouble to cook for one person". If you're 60 years old, you are qualified to participate in the "Nutrition Program" at Ouachita Council on Aging. Lunch is served daily at various locations around the parish where seniors congregate to enjoy fun activities, good food, and socialization.

At Carolyn Rose Strauss

Senior Center, 2407 Ferrand Street, Monroe, lunch is served at 11:45 a.m., Monday thru Friday. To learn about programs and service for seniors in Ouachita Parish, call OCA at 387-0535, or visit our website at www.ouachitacoa.com.



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