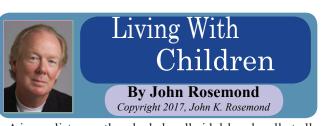
Picture Perfect Winners



Holmes County Soil and Water Conservation District photo winners were honored at the Mississippi Association of Conservation District 74th Annual Meeting on January 23. Holmes County won six out of the eight categories, and had the overall state winner. Winners pictured above are: Orin Howell, Livi Howell, Tara Howell, Crystal Hood, Hanna Hood and Brad Cain. Hanna Hood won overall state photo and received a cash prize and an a framed copy of her photo. These winners will move onto the national level. (Photo submitted)



Oh my gosh! It just did!

I do, by the way, believe variably make. that some people are simply

become akin to the Cheshire avoidably labor-intensive). Cat in "Alice in Wonderland": that is, mostly invis- ascribe significance to their ible. It is an unarguable fact children's emotional output. that in a two-parent family, As a consequence of talknothing puts a more solid ing to their children about foundation of security and every emotion they experiwell-being under the feet of ence, they risk causing their a child than the knowledge children to become emothat mom and dad are in an tionally-driven individuals enduring relationship.

bigly mistake is paying chil- fond of telling me that I was dren entirely too much at- making mountains out of tention, effectively promot- molehills; that there were ing them to center-stage in children in the world who of them. Children don't problems like not having

A journalist recently asked handle idol-hood well at all. me for the single biggest Let's face it, adults don't mistake being made by to- either. As does the citizen, day's parents. I was tempted a child thrives best under to say, "Having children," libertarian circumstances; but stopped myself because meaning he is managed even if I'd followed up with minimally (allowing lots of a department store credit "Just kidding!" my bon mot trial-and-error) while being would have gone into print. held completely responsible for the mistakes he will in-

Paying too much attennot well-suited to the re- tion to children is another enough to eat. She wasn't sponsibilities of parenthood. biggie. In my experience, Nonetheless, I do not be- which is vast at this stage, lieve that people who want ten out of ten children who children should have to go seem "starved" for attenthrough whatever process to tion are not starved at all; obtain a "parenting license." rather, they have been for That would represent gov- quite some time the recipiernment intrusion of the ents of entirely too much. most egregious sort, and I'm They are attention-addicts, not a fan of government in- a synonym of which is "obtrusion in much of anything. noxious." It is entirely un-But on with the show: I fair to burden a child with don't know how one would obnoxiousness. If I was the determine "biggest" in a Secretary of Parenting, I list of common parenting would only grant licenses to mistakes, but the one that folks who pledged to love their level" thing as if they causes the most problems their children uncondition- are bowing to royalty. And for all concerned is the pres- ally but give them less than then, to add the ludicrous to up for that credit card. She ent proclivity for two par- fifteen minutes of one-on- the absurd, finishing what knew what it meant, what ents to occupy the roles of one attention a day (excludmom and dad such that the ing during infancy and early roles of husband and wife toddlerhood, which are un-

Today's parents tend to with little if any emotional Along those lines, another resilience. My mother was



Let her take care of the payments Dear Dave,

My daughter is in college, and I've always warned her to stay away from credit

Recently, I learned she got card despite my advice. She has stayed within her credit cal young person's mistake. limit, but she has never made

about to lend credence to a complaint about not being given a turn, called a name, or some such trivia. For that (among many other things) my mother receives my enduring gratitude.

Let's see...I have room for two, maybe three more. Ah, ves! How about the habit today's parents have of assuming a servile squat when they talk to young children? You know, that absolutely absurd "getting down to they believe to be an instruction with "Okay?" So what if it isn't okay?

Last one: Trying to discipline a child who has misbehaved without causing the child emotional discomfort (guilt and remorse) and inconvenience. That attempt annuls the attempt to discipline, which goes a long way toward explaining why so many of today's parents complain that nothing they do by way of "discipline" works.

That's because they are doing nothing.

Family psychologist John the family and making idols truly had problems...REAL Rosemond: johnrosemond. com, parentguru.com.

any of the payments.

At this point, she owes about \$3,500. She's a good student, and I want to look at this as a young person's mistake. Should I pay it off for her this one time?

Joseph

Dear Joseph,

You're right, this is a typi-Like a lot of mistakes our kids make, it's one that's bad and wonderful at the same time. It's bad because, if she had just listened to dear old dad, she would've avoided a mess. It's wonderful, though, because it gives you the opportunity to provide her with a real world, teachable mo-

I understand you wanting to help her out "this one time." It means you have a good heart, and that you care about your daughter and love her. There's a reality here. though, I hope you won't overlook. It's her debt, not vours. She knew what she was doing when she signed was expected, and she is the one who should have to make good on the repayment. The entire deal is legal

and fair. At this point, my advice is to put your arm around her. talk to her, and lovingly explain where she went wrong and why it was a bad idea. You can even help her find a part-time job if she doesn't have one right now, so she can pay off her debt and get out of this mess. But leave the payments to her.

My guess is by the time she finishes working her tail off to pay this debt she will have learned a lesson she'll remember for the rest of her

Valentines on the Beach

The first time I ever saw all our company conventions sippi, and then

on to New Orleans. We had very little money and absolutely no experience as travelers. course in 1962 everything was so much more inexpensive but if you calculate your earnings into the scenario, they were still



never stayed in a hotel/motel day trip to this beautiful area and this was posh for us. And, of our state. This time we there was a swimming pool, stayed at the Hard Rock Howow! The motel where we tel. I can tell you assuredly stayed was not comparable that it is much more grand to the Hilton, Beau Rivage, than the first place we ever or any of the other "top- stayed. This time there were notch" hotels now standing so many people, all colors, in it's grandeur but we really all nationalities, all differdid not know the difference. ent economic standings, We waded in the blue waters some on walkers, some in of the gulf and toasted our wheel chairs, and some like skin in the hot sizzling sun us just aging gracefully. Of while sitting on the snow course we celebrated our white sandy beaches, hold- Valentine's Day and my Valing hands. We thought were entine carried me out for a all grown up and savvy to steak dinner and we did sit this lifestyle of decadent liv- on the beach once again, still ing, even for just a few days. holding hands after so many Everything was so new and years. We have so many exciting. We were fascinated good memories of the blue with the dock where so many waters, lapping waves, great cargo ships came in bringing restaurants and still holding all kinds of things from far hands on this another Valenaway, the shrimp boats and tine's Day. their bountiful catches, and just any and everything that dinner, I ate roasted Brussel was so new to two kids never sprouts and they were deliout of Attala County.

We made many trips to this the recipe. 'tropical paradise" during the years my husband was a Sunflower store manager as

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the Gulf Coast of Mississippi were held at the Broadwater I was a young bride of only Beach Hotel in Biloxi. We seventeen traveling with a went to our first nightclub. husband of the same age. We Gus Stevens, and saw our married in October of 1962 first celebrity, Johnny Rivand our delayed honeymoon ers. (Did I tell my age?) We was to Gulf Port, Missis- were on the coast when Jane Mansfield

> a car wreck performing at this same nightclub I tasted my shrimp lobster. As a child we grew up on comfort food seafood and was "catfish" We just, this af-

was killed in

costly at the time. We had ternoon come in from a four

During our Valentine's cious. This is my version of

Roasted Brussel Sprouts

2 slices of bacon, diced and cooked till almost crispy in a large skillet. Push to the side and add a bag of fresh Brussel sprouts, cut in half and cook until almost brown and then incorporate the bacon with the Brussel sprouts. Add salt and pepper and cover the pan stirring frequently for about 4 minutes. Add 1 Tablespoon of Maple Syrup and cook an additional 2-3

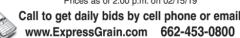
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Express Grain Commodity Prices

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Crop	СВОТ	Delivery	Futures	EGT	Net	Change
	Month	Period	Price	Basis	Price	
Wheat	Jul 19	2019 Jun	5.09	-0.22	4.87	-0.04
Corn	Mar 19	2019 Feb	3.75	0.10	3.85	0.00
Corn	Sep 19	2019 Aug	3.94	-0.04	3.90	0.00
Soybeans Sidon	Nov 19	2019 Aug-Sep	9.52	-0.48	9.04	0.04
Soybeans G'wood	Mar 19	2019 Feb - Deferred Pricing only	9.08	-0.44	8.64	0.04
Soybeans G'wood	Nov 19	2019 Aug-Sep	9.52	-0.35	9.17	0.04
Soybeans Minter City	Nov 19	2019 Aug-Sep	9.52	-0.38	9.14	0.04
Rice	Mar 19		9.995			-0.190
Rice	Sep 19		10.225			-0.215
Cotton	Mar 19		70.22			0.090
Cotton	Dec 19		72.80			0.090

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