

**\*Conservation**

(Continued from page 4.) friends. This month, let us celebrate our natural heritage in which so many Mississippians enjoy.

National Fishing and Boating Week, a national celebration of fishing and boating, takes place the first week of June every year. This year it will be June 6-14, 2020. It highlights the importance of recreational boating and fishing in enhancing people's quality of life and preserving our country's natural beauty. It is also when most state's offer their Free Fishing Days. More information can be found at [www.take-mefishing.org](http://www.take-mefishing.org).

National Get Outdoors Day, June 13, 2020, is an annual event to encourage healthy, active outdoor fun. Participating partners will offer opportunities for American families to experience traditional and non-traditional types of outdoor activities.

Wildlife Mississippi is encouraging individuals and

families to responsibly enjoy outdoor recreation while adhering to COVID-19 public health practices and natural resource stewardship principles. Whether participating in hunting, fishing, recreational shooting, or other outdoor opportunities, these activities support mental and physical well-being while social distancing and are a great way to enjoy the outdoors during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

Mississippi offers abundant public lands and waters for Americans to enjoy while participating in a variety of activities in a safe and constructive manner. Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, Wildlife Mississippi has been working with the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation, elected officials and other partners to keep these viable opportunities open and accessible to the public.

Maintaining opportunities for these activities also supports critical conservation funding during this time of



**Living With Children**  
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"There's no one-size-fits-all model of childrearing for all the world's parents," opines Alma Gottlieb, Professor Emerita of Anthropology at the University of Illinois. Gottlieb was quoted in an online article reporting

economic uncertainty, while also supporting the businesses that drive the outdoor recreation economy.

Celebrate June to the fullest! Go out and do something positive for the environment and have some fun while you do!

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actress Kristen Bell's revelation that her five-year-old daughter is "still in diapers."

Yes, Professor Gottlieb, there is indeed one worldwide model of childrearing. In every culture, in every historical time, parents have adhered to the objective of passing along to their children the core values of the culture in question. American parents were striving to raise children who respected the liberty and personal responsibility of the individual, for example, and so on. Every culture was striving to strengthen and perpetuate itself.

Until recently, that is. In the USA at least, we are currently living in the age of cultural relativism, the apparent fantasy behind which is world peace and climate utopia. Cultural relativism begets parenting relativism which begets the notion that the raising of a child should be tailored to the "individual needs" of said child. A child's individual needs, in the final analysis, are deter-

mined by parental attitudes. Thus, if Kristen Bell is too lazy to toilet train her child, she claims that her child's unique nature is not conducive to being properly socialized.

Bell's revelation met with lots of backlash, so I'll add my own: It is an insult to the intelligence of a human being to allow said being to soil and wet herself past age thirty months, which is my most liberal limit. A dog can be trained to eliminate only in the back yard before six months, the human equivalent of which is between eighteen and thirty months. It is disgraceful to expect less of a human than one would expect of a dog.

When the backlash began to circulate on the Internet, Bell revised her claim. Her daughter only wears diapers at night, she now says. Okay. I can accept that she simply misspoke initially; that her daughter uses the toilet during her waking hours (albeit the full context of Bell's original remarks renders that somewhat dubious).

In which case, I have a bit of advice for Bell: If you want your daughter to stop wetting the bed, do not put diapers on her at bedtime.

The feel of bulky fabric around the pelvic area is associated with spontaneous release. Diapers and pull-ups at night extend bedwetting indefinitely.

To achieve night dryness, a child must wet the bed, not a diaper. She must experience the sensation of wetness, which modern diapers inhibit. If she does not, she will continue to wet. Put the child to bed with one or two fluffy towels underneath her. Teach her to take care of herself when she wets, as in, "You do not need to wake us up. Here are more towels. Use them if you must."

If that doesn't do the trick within a month (and yes, it's an inconvenient month), then purchase a bedwetting alarm (pad-and-bell, not pull-up-and-bell) and do the work required to get the child to wake up when it signals urination. Specifically, because bedwetters, generally, sleep very deeply, one must wake the child when the alarm sounds until she begins to hear it on her own.

Expect two to six weeks of night training and then years of nighttime bliss.

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POLL WORKERS AND VOTERS**

*Please be advised that all Poll workers and Voters will be required to wear a mask. If you are an Absentee Voter, the same rule will apply if you cast your ballot in the Circuit Clerk's Office.*

*In addition, the Holmes County Board of Supervisors and the MS Secretary of State's Office will supply all masks, sanitizers, disinfectant wipes and Thermometers for all precincts.*

*Voters will be asked to wear masks to the polling places, if a voter enters without a mask, Polling Officials will be authorized to supply them with one. No voter will be turned away.*

*Next, a designated Polling Official will be given an Infra-Red Thermometer for use. Before entering the polling place on election day, each voter, poll watcher, elected official and all other individuals temperatures must be taken. If the potential voter has an elevated temperature in excess of 99 degrees Fahrenheit, the voter will be asked to return to his/her vehicle and the polling officials will treat the voter as a curbside voter.*

*All Polling Officials will wipe down all pens and pencils after each use and/or before passing them on to others. This is a joint effort to keep everyone safe and prevent cross-contamination.*

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