

Mama's Decisions

Again, I am reminded of how hard it is to be a parent, especially a mother. I believe it is more difficult for the mother because of our more tender mindsets to our children. Daddies, mine, and my children were and have always been the more disciplined and self-controlled of the nurturing pair. If one of our boys were to suffer a mishap or calamity, their daddy would always say, "Shake it off." Then here I come and begin my fostering and pampering of the

distressed child. Hence, my tender mindset. With school beginning at the end of this week, my nourishing is covered and smothered onto my grandchildren just as it was their mama and daddies. A couple of my grandsons has had Covid and my "worry and discomfort genes" have kicked in full force. They have handled this discomfort like the little men that they are but to their Meme's distress. When do we start, when do I start to let them be self-sufficient?

When? – Never! I will worry and try to fix everything that way lays them until I am not here to do that and then I am sure their mothers will carry on with my pampering.

School has always been somewhat of a conundrum for all school age children as well as their mamas. This year we are facing an unknown demon much more wicked than last year's fear. Last year we older peoples were being wracked with Covid and it was seemingly leaving young people alone. Now this year the tables have turned and the young people, my young people are at risk. Do we send them into the "lion's den" of school? We must, there is no recourse! Do we give them the vaccine? Do we hold off on the vaccine? Is it safe? Is it unsafe? When I started school all my mama had to worry about was, "Will she stay on the bus?" Such a mundane

worry. So, here's to all you parents out there, especially you mothers and Memes. May you be able to make wise decisions. Check out all your reservations with a learned professional and then make that "mama decision" that will always be a part of our formation and character.



Peggy's Take

Swiss Steak – 2 pounds of round steak, cut into serving pieces, dredge in flour mixed with salt, pepper, and 1 T. Greek seasoning and fry in ¼ cup of vegetable oil. Remove steak from skillet and set aside.



The *Holmes County Herald* would like to welcome the following new subscriber: Ouida Baptiste, Louisiana.

RENEWALS

The *Holmes County Herald* thanks the following subscribers for their renewals: Mary Walz, Durant; Henry Davis, Lexington; Elder William Dean, Jr., Lexington; Helen Malone, Michigan; Charlie Hudson, Kosciusko; Ollie Jones, Madison; Hugh Skinner, Pickens.



HOPEWELL M.B. CHURCH

Hopewell M.B. Church in Durant will celebrate its 23rd Pastor's Anniversary with a drive thru parade on Sunday, August 15 at 2:00 p.m. at Sequoias Center in Durant. Lineup will start at 1:00 p.m. at 65 West Madison Street (front of Durant Elementary School). For more information, contact Annie Bell Roby at 662-289-5747.

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UPCOMING CIVIL LEGAL CLINICS

Free family law clinics are scheduled to assist low income people with family law matters including guardianships, adoptions, child support, custody, visitation, uncontested divorces, emancipation of minors and name changes. For more information about the subject matter of a particular clinic, and to determine eligibility for free legal assistance, call or e-mail the Mississippi Access

to Justice Commission at 601-960-9581 or nmclaughlin@msbar.org, or the Mississippi Volunteer Lawyers Project at 601-882-5001 or mvlp@mvlp.org. Canton, August 27, 9:30 a.m., free Civil Legal Clinic for residents of Madison, Holmes, Leake and Yazoo counties. Location: Madison Chancery Courthouse, 146 West Center Street, Canton. Free legal assistance may be provided to qualified low-income applicants in matters including child support, custody, custody modification, divorce, visitation, emancipation and name change. Register online at www.mvlp.org/clinics.

8-12,19

SECOND PILGRIM REST CHURCH

Second Pilgrim Rest Church in Durant will hold Revival Services August 11 thru August 13 at 7:00 p.m.

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Happy Birthday

August 12 - John Hudson Word, Doyle Gilmore, Sr., Ma'kayla Moore, Mitchell Smith, Amanda Saffold, Robbie Anderson, Lane McLemore

August 13 - Julieanna Lawson, French Smith, Noah Lawson, Megan McBride, Tim Joiner, Katherine Randle, Olivia W. Anderson, Lindsey Netherland-Killebrew, Joey Netherland, Richard Chisolm, Kim Kennedy, Amy Johnson, Diane L. Scott

August 14 - Christine Brooks, Mark Langford, Jeffie Alford, Keith Bethany, Alice Hodges, Nick Rogers, Maddox Murtagh

August 15 - Jonathan Varner Barrett, Anna Holt, Hunter Box, Nathan Barrett, Kiara Boyd, Florine Rayford, Tramaine Jones, Ainsley Ashley, Sam Thomas, Kaylen Killebrew

August 16 - Debbie Meeks, Larry White, Laura Bigbee, Rob Eaton, Ann Marie Turner, Gina Turner Haynes, Dane Austin

August 17 - Matthew Kelly, Willie Ann Thomas, Anna Drennan, Kayla Hatcher, Syed Boddu, Shermili Boddu, Heather Dilmore, Parker Langford

August 18 - Crystal Tate, Nikki Langford, Lee A. Unger, Tina Winters, Jake Drennan, Jeanne Cotten Harker, Bailey Rutledge, Jackie Turner, Takandra Teague, Betty Murphy



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Obituary

MARIAN SWINNEY

Marian Swinney, 78, of Lexington passed away in Crystal Springs, MS on Wednesday, August 4, 2021. Funeral services were held on Saturday, August 7 with graveside services being held at Coxburg Cemetery. Southern Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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