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1/24 SBA Membership Luncheon - 12:00 p.m. - Petroleum Club

1/26 Krewe of Justinian Bal at Horseshoe Casino Rivedome

2/3 Centaur Parade

2/11 Highland Parade

2/28 SBA Membership Luncheon - 12:00 p.m. - Petroleum Club



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# From The President

by Rebecca Edwards, President, [redwards@caddoda.com](mailto:redwards@caddoda.com)

It has truly been an honor to serve as Shreveport Bar Association president for 2017. Working alongside the Executive Council and our superlative Executive Director, Dana Southern, has made for smooth sailing and a successful year. It takes dedication and sustained involvement by our members to make our association strong, and it takes the involvement of new attorneys to keep it growing. Having worked with so many of our members this year who readily agreed to help out with bar events and serve on committees, and having welcomed new attorneys to our association who are excited to get involved, I am confident that the SBA will continue to thrive.

In November, the SBA held two programs that made me especially proud of our association. First was the annual Memorial and Recognition Ceremony. Julianna Parks served as chairperson for the ceremony with Steve Soileau, and Lauren Lock serving on the planning committee. Thomas Pressly, president of the Young Lawyers Section, organized a CLE program for the new attorneys to attend that morning. Their efforts contributed to a moving and memorable day for all who participated. Second was the Veterans Day luncheon. The Military Affairs committee, led this year by the Honorable Andrew Gallagher (Ret.), worked hard all year to plan the luncheon, which recognized our veterans from all branches of service and featured Governor John Bel Edwards, also a veteran, as the guest speaker. Thanking our veterans for their service made for a great finale for the luncheon programs this year.

Before the curtains close on 2017, we have two scheduled events in December. For those of you in need of CLE hours, the December CLE by the Hour seminar will be held on December 12 and 13, 2017, at the Petroleum Club. The CLE programs provide a significant source of funding for the SBA. Our members' patronage of our CLE programs is vital to the SBA's financial stability and is much appreciated.

For a festive ending, our annual SBA Christmas Party to celebrate the holiday season and welcome area law students will be from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., on December 17, 2017, at Zocolo Neighborhood Eatery & Drinkery. Zocolo is located on Ashley Ridge Boulevard. Please stop by that afternoon to enjoy some eats, drinks and mingling with your SBA pals. We will be collecting unwrapped toys for donation to Providence House or monetary donations which may

be designated for the Gingerbread House, the Children's Advocacy Center or the Cara Center.

Finally, I must congratulate incoming SBA President, Mr. James C. McMichael Jr., who will begin his term in January, and wish him a great year. It has been a privilege to serve as SBA president. Involvement in our association is a rewarding endeavor. Get involved!

I wish you all a merry Christmas season and much happiness in the new year.

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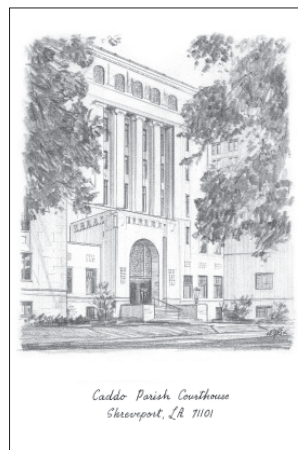
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Petroleum Club, 15th Floor  
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**13 Louisiana CLE Credits (including Ethics & Professionalism) Texas CLE Credit Approved (including Ethics)**  
**Presented by SBA CLE Co-Chairs Judge Frances J. Pitman and Judge Michael A. Pitman**  
**(Please Circle All Classes Attending)**

## Tuesday, December 12, 2017

- 8:00 A.M. Registration & Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 A.M. Successions *Ben Politz - Booth, Lockard, Politz & LeSage*  
60 Minutes
- 9:30 A.M. Sponsor Break
- 9:35 A.M. Helpful Hints from A to Z from Fannin Street  
60 Minutes *Judge Jeanette Garrett - Second Circuit Court of Appeal*
- 10:35 A.M. Sponsor Break
- 10:45 A.M. Changes In The Practice of Law Over the Past 50 Years  
90 Minutes *Judge (Ret) Eugene Bryson; Marianne Boston - Second Circuit Court of Appeal; Jerry Edwards - Blanchard, Walker O'Quin & Roberts, Jim McMichael and Anna Priestley - McMichael, Medlin, D'Anna, Wedgeworth & Lafargue; and Jacqueline Scott - Attorney at Law*
- 12:15 P.M. Lunch (included with all-day registration, or \$25)
- 1:00 P.M. Understanding Clients with PTSD  
60 Minutes *Col. John Odom - Jones & Odom LLP, Dozer Reed- Peer Mentor, National Campaign Team, Wounded Warrior Project and CGC Leyna Medical Service Animal*
- 2:00 P.M. Sponsor Break
- 2:15 P.M. Federal Procedure  
60 Minutes *Magistrate Judge Mark Hornsby - United States District Court, Western District*
- 3:15 P.M. Sponsor Break
- 3:30 P.M. Trying Better Trials  
90 Minutes *Judge Michael Pitman - First Judicial District Court and Jim McMichael - McMichael, Medlin, D'Anna, Wedgeworth & Lafargue*

## Wednesday, December 13, 2017

- 8:00 A.M. Registration & Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 A.M. Criminal Law Recent Developments  
60 Minutes *Judge Brady O'Callaghan - First Judicial District Court*
- 9:30 A.M. Sponsor Break
- 9:35 A.M. Technology in the Courts: 2017 Update  
60 Minutes *Melissa Allen - United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals*
- 10:35 A.M. Sponsor Break
- 10:45 A.M. Winning at the Pretrial Conference  
60 Minutes *Judge Elizabeth Foote and Robin McCoy- U.S. District Court, Western District of Louisiana; Meg Frazier - Wiener, Weiss & Madison and John Nickelson - Attorney at Law*
- 11:45 A.M. Lunch (included with all-day registration, or \$25)
- 12:45 P.M. Trends in Writs, Appeals and Procedure at the Second Circuit Court of Appeal  
60 Minutes *Judge Frances J. Pitman, Molly Able and Jennifer Segner - Second Circuit Court of Appeal*
- 1:45 P.M. Sponsor Break
- 1:50 P.M. Ethics  
60 Minutes *Judge Frances J. Pitman - Second Circuit Court of Appeal and Judge Michael Pitman - First Judicial District Court*
- 2:50 P.M. Sponsor Break
- 3:00 P.M. Professionalism Palooza: 15 Rockin' Reminders!  
60 Minutes *Ben Marshall Jr. - Mayer Smith & Roberts*

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# Women's Section

by Jabrina Edwards, [jabrinanclayton@gmail.com](mailto:jabrinanclayton@gmail.com)

As this year comes to a close, I would like to thank everyone who supported the Women's Section in any way this year. This year was so much fun, and we worked hard to provide a positive and empowering outlet for our fellow women lawyers through socials, community service and our CLE.

I am extremely proud of all that we've done this year, and I am especially grateful for my awesome board: Anna Priestley, Rebecca Radford and Wendy Horton. You ladies rock, and this year could not have been a success without you. I am excited to see what next year has in store and how the Women's Section will continue to grow.

Please join us for our annual **Christmas Party on December 8, 2017, at 7p.m., at 531 Oneonta Street 71106!** Our secretary, Rebecca Radford, is hosting us at her home so that we can celebrate the holidays and our new officers. Spouses and significant others are welcome, and cocktail attire is encouraged! I hope that everyone has a blessed holiday season!







# Monroe Inn of Court

by Hal Odom Jr., [rhodom@la2nd.org](mailto:rhodom@la2nd.org)

The Judge Fred Fudickar Jr. AIC (Monroe, La.) held its second meeting of the 2017-'18 season on November 13, 2017. Judge Wilson Rambo, of the Fourth JDC, presented "Legal Ethics – Walking the Tightrope," addressing an array of issues facing practitioners in today's highly competitive and technology-driven environment. Judge Rambo acknowledged and thanked Prof. N. Gregory Smith, of LSU Law Center, whose program title and outline he borrowed and adapted for the Inns of Court meeting.

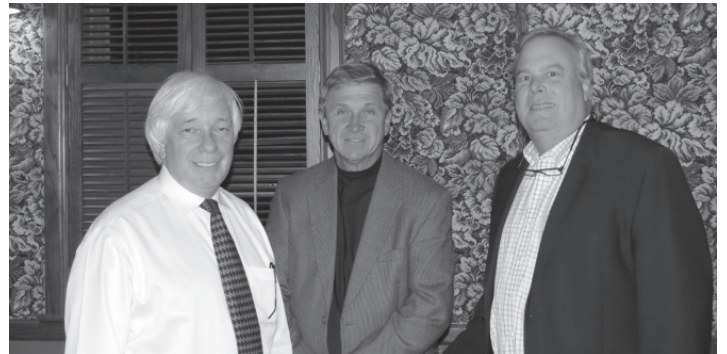
Perhaps the biggest developments were rule changes recently promulgated by the La. Supreme Court. New Regulation 3.21, effective May 15, 2017, permits attorneys to earn CLE credit for "providing uncompensated pro bono legal representation to an indigent or near-indigent client or clients, or through other activities approved by the Committee." For every five hours of pro bono work, the attorney can earn one hour of CLE, subject to a maximum of three hours per year. This sparked some lively discussion, with one member asking if he could get CLE for representing a client "later determined to be broke?" Unfortunately, the fine print of Reg. 3.21 limits the credit to matters "assigned to the Member by a court, a bar association, or a legal services or pro bono organization" with the primary purpose of "furnishing such pro bono legal services[.]" In other words, you can't do it on your own; you must sign up with Pro Bono Project.

Amended Rule XVII, Sec. 5(F), effective April 11, 2017, changes the burden of proof for bar applicants whose past conduct "would have constituted grounds for an unfavorable recommendation" (informally known as a "spotty" record). Under the new rule, the applicant must show by clear and convincing evidence that he or she has been rehabilitated and that such conduct is unlikely to recur in the future. The stinger is in the next sentence: "The mere fact that there has been no repeat of any such conduct shall not in and of itself be sufficient to constitute rehabilitation or proof of good moral character and fitness." Some members thought this bordered on requiring "proof of a negative," which is difficult when the option of "evidence of absence" is foreclosed, but they generally commended the court for setting an objective (if difficult) standard of admissions.

Judge Rambo then canvassed a number of topics, including the ethics of mining metadata from email attachments, why the ODC considers it worse to steal money from a client than from your own law firm, the lawyer's liability for misconduct by secretaries, paralegals and other office assistants, and what level of cooperation with the ODC is needed to constitute a mitigating circumstance. Finally, he mentioned some unfortunate recent cases in which attorneys were disciplined for making derogatory

and groundless statements about the judiciary, either in pleadings or on social media.

The meeting was held at the Lotus Club, in the Vantage-ONB Building. Attendance was, once again, a rather slender 14, but members who came received their one hour CLE credit for ethics. Heavy hors d'oeuvres included an outstanding smoked turkey pâté with fried wontons, which virtually vanished from the serving tray. Inn President James Carroll announced that the next regular meeting would be December 11, at noon, followed by a social-only joint meeting with other north Louisiana Inns on December 14, at Château Saint Denis in Natchitoches.



Judge Rambo visited with James Mixon and Brady King before the meeting got started. (Photos by Hal Odom Jr.)



Shereba Diaz and April Martin Hammett were among the members present for Judge Rambo's presentation.



"The simple answer is, if you get a letter from ODC, don't ignore it!"



## Stephens takes Second Circuit seat

Fifth JDC Judge James M. “Jimbo” Stephens has been elected to the Second Circuit Court of Appeal. He has taken the Section 2A, First District seat previously held by Judge John Larry Lolley, who retired in May.

Judge Stephens was elected to the Fifth JDC in December 2007 and reelected in 2014. He is a 1982 graduate of LSU’s Paul M. Hebert Law Center, and was in private practice in Franklin Parish for 24 years. He and his wife, Faith, have three children and three grandchildren, and are a fifth-generation farming family in Franklin Parish. He is past president of the Fifth JDC Bar Association, the Experimental Aircraft Association, Aircraft Owners & Pilots Association, the NRA, and many other organizations.

Judge Stephens won election over Fourth JDC Judge Sharon Ingram Marchman in the general election on October 14, and will fill Judge Lolley’s unexpired term on the court, which concludes at the end of 2018. The Section 2A election district encompasses most of Ouachita, Morehouse, West Carroll and Franklin, and all of Richland Parish. Judge Stephens took his oath of office on November 17, 2017, and will sit on his first writ panel the week of December 3.

## Gaskins returns to 2d Circuit pro tem

Retired Second Circuit Court of Appeal Judge Gay C. Gaskins has been appointed to return to that court, pro tem, effective November 4, 2017. Judge Gaskins is filling the Division A, Second District seat previously held by Judge Harmon Drew, who communicated his retirement to the La. Supreme Court in early October.

Judge Gaskins held the Second Circuit’s Division C, Section 2, Third District seat from 1995 until her retirement in September 2013. She sat on Shreveport City Court from 1990 to 1995, had a private practice for several years, and was an assistant district attorney for the First JDC from 1982 through 1990. She is a graduate of LSU’s Paul M. Hebert Law Center (JD, 1982), Centenary College (BA, 1975), and West Monroe High School (1971).

The Supreme Court’s order recites that Judge Gaskins will serve for the period from November 4, 2017, through May 15, 2018, or until the vacancy is filled, whichever occurs sooner, or until further order of the court. Judge Gaskins sat on the writ docket for the week of November 5 and then on the oral argument docket that began November 13.

## Lawyers in Libraries

In conjunction with National Celebrate Pro Bono Week, the Shreveport Bar Foundation held a “Lawyers in Libraries” event on October 25 at Shreve Memorial Library Broadmoor Branch. Heidi Kemple Martin gave a presentation on the services the Shreveport Bar Foundation’s Legal Representation for Victims of Domestic Violence “LRVDV” program offers to the public who are seeking a protective order.



## Announcement

Billy J. Guin, Jr. will be limiting his practice to mediations and Medical Review Panel Chairmanships as of November 30, 2017.

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# James C. McMichael Jr Will Lead the SBA in 2018



**James C. McMichael Jr.** begins his term as president of the Shreveport Bar Association on January 1, succeeding Rebecca Edwards to the one-year post. Jim is a partner with the law firm of McMichael, Medlin, D'Anna, Wedgeworth & Lafargue, LLC. He represents clients in civil and business trials. Jim served the SBA as Krewe of Justinian Captain in 2000-2001 and 2013-2014, served as chairman of the Golf Tournament committee in 2008 and 2012 and coordinated the Summer Trial Advocacy Series Lunch & Learn CLE programs from 2014-2016. Jim is married to Sharla Inman McMichael.

Serving with Jim McMichael on the 2018 SBA Executive Council are **Curtis R. Joseph Jr.**, president-elect; **Rebecca Edwards**, immediate past president; **M. Thomas Arceneaux**, vice-president; **Natalie Howell**, secretary-treasurer; **Brian R. Carnie**, member-at-large; **Emily Settle Merckle**, member-at-large; **Heidi Kemple Martin**, member-at-large; **Travis Lucas "Luke" Thaxton**, member-at-large; **Judge Katherine Clark Dorroh**, judicial liaison; **Gahagan Pugh**, Young Lawyers' Section president; **Anna Brown Priestley**, Women's Section President and **Lawrence W. Pettiette Jr.**, Krewe of Justinian Captain.



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# MEMORIAL & RECOGNITION CEREMONY



Attorneys, judges, family members and members of state and local government paid tribute to six deceased members of the legal profession at the First Judicial District Court and Shreveport Bar Association sponsored Memorial and Recognition Ceremony on Thursday, November 2, 2017.

Honorable Ramona L. Emanuel, Deputy Chief Judge, presided over the ceremony, and SBA Memorial and Recognition Chair Julianna Parks served as Master of Ceremonies for the program. Julianna Parks, along with her committee members Lauren Lock and Steve Soileau, worked with Judge Roy Brun, Sharon Porter and Gailyn Dennis from the First Judicial District Court to plan a great memorial program.

Deceased members honored and their presenters were **Stephen Price Barker** presented by Michael D. Lowe; **James Patrick Bodenheimer** presented by William F. Kendig Jr.; **Steven D. Carby** presented by Patrick R. Jackson; **James Robert Malsch** presented by Bill McGill; **Judge Fred C. Sexton Jr.** presented by Judge Charles R. Lindsay; and **H.F. "Sock" Sockrider Jr.** presented by James E. Bolin Jr.

Following the memorial ceremony, Thomas Pressly, President of the Young Lawyers Section of the SBA, introduced 14 new attorneys to the Court: **Andrew T. Adams, James Ashby Davis, Russell R. Dickson, Brady Hadden, Helen Marie Marrs, Coulter McMahan, Holland Miciotto, Patrick Murphree, Mahogane Reed, Ramsey V. Ross, J. David Shepherd, Ryan P. Telep, Alex T. Williams, and Elizabeth Wong.**





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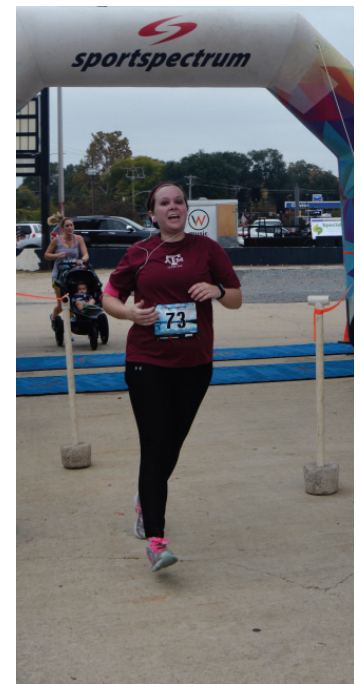
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# Legal Hist

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## HENRY W. ALLEN, GOVERNOR EXTRAORDINAIRE

Henry Watkins Allen was among the most unusual, interesting, efficient and indeed beloved of the 56 governors to serve the state of Louisiana. His high place in Louisiana history is reflected by the fact that he was one of only two governors to be buried on the capitol grounds, on the high bank of the Mississippi River where the old gray gothic building is situated. The other is at today's capitol, where Huey Long rests. Further, Allen is the one of only two governors who have parishes named after them. The other is Claiborne.

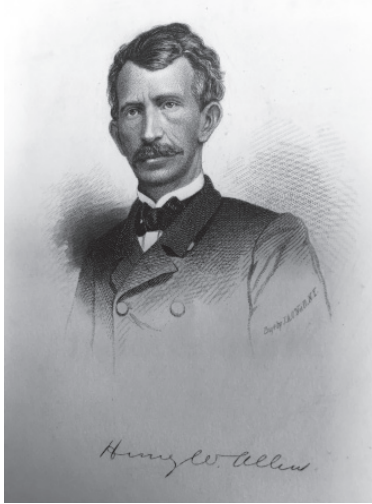
Born in Virginia in 1820, Allen and his parents early on moved to Missouri where he graduated early from Marion College at the age of 18. He moved to Mississippi to teach school there and enlisted as a private in a Mississippi regiment which was en route to the Mexican War. Soon his natural leadership abilities resulted in his being elected captain of a company.

Following the war, he returned to Mississippi, became embroiled in local politics, attended Harvard Law School for two years, returned to Mississippi, passed the bar and was elected to that state's legislature in 1845.

He married, and following his wife's premature death in 1851, he moved to Louisiana where he became a successful sugar cane planter and devoted much time to speech making and socializing. He traveled throughout the South in 1853, writing letters describing the land and its people under the pseudonym Guy Mannering to the Baton Rouge *Comet*. In the late 1850s, he made a grand tour of Europe, writing a series of letters entitled *Travels of a Sugar Planter*. He was well received throughout the state and elected to the Louisiana legislature in 1854.

When the Civil War arrived, in 1861, Allen was elected colonel of the Fourth La. Infantry and seriously wounded in the Battle of Shiloh. He recovered sufficiently to participate in the Battle of Baton Rouge, in August 1862, where an exploding shell shattered both knees, resulting in a lifelong disability.

Early in 1863, he made a well-publicized tour of that portion of Louisiana which was free of federal occupation (about 80%) and began to campaign for governor. There was no election in the federal territory, as it was under martial law. Despite the fact that he was



unable to walk without crutches, Allen received an overwhelming majority of the votes and was sworn in as Governor on January 25, 1864, at Shreveport, which was then the state capitol by legislative decree (it was earlier in Baton Rouge, later in Opelousas).

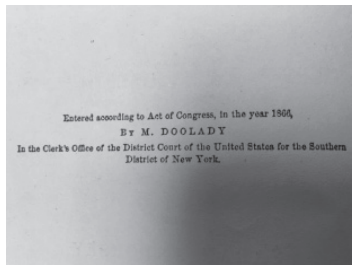
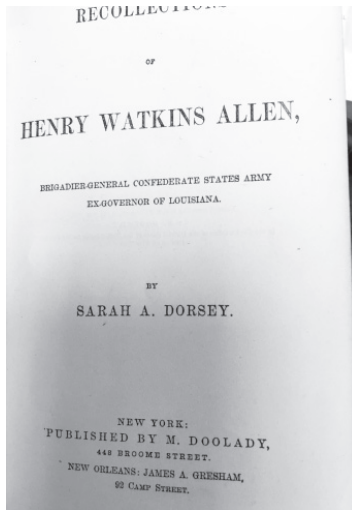
Governor Allen recognized that cotton was the state's leading cash crop, and that medicines were the state's greatest need. He thus asked the legislature to enact a law which would place a pair of cotton cards with "every female in the state above the age of 18 years," calling for a \$1 million appropriation. He then requested another half million for the purchase of needed medicines to be distributed to physicians throughout the state on an as-needed basis and sold to the people at cost.

The state was plagued with deserting soldiers, outlaws and bandits to a high degree, and Allen called on the legislature to pass more stringent laws against the manufacture and importation of liquor, as well as additional laws for the relief of soldiers, dependents, and a small monthly pension for each Louisiana soldier wounded or disabled while in the service of the state or Confederacy. The legislature obliged and was very liberal in appropriating large sums for the Governor's use. He also created a Home Guard to maintain good order throughout the state.

Allen began to get the state treasury in order by exchanging state treasury notes for state bonds payable 20 years after the war closed. During the period of the war, Allen suggested that no state taxes be collected by force.

In his tour around the state, Allen had noted the many minerals present which were not being developed or otherwise used. He ordered a geological survey of the state in search of iron, lead, sulfates, lignite and salt so that these could be utilized as necessary. He was confident that Louisiana could supply all its needs by properly utilizing its raw materials and urged the legislature to encourage manufactories of all kinds. He also specifically ordered the establishment of a mining and manufacturing bureau, as well as a laboratory for preparing indigenous medicines.

The legislature showed its confidence in Allen by complying with these wishes and also encouraged the import of food, and of weaponry from Mexico. He encouraged the state's finances by purchasing cotton within the state and selling it for profit to purchasers outside the



Confederacy. This was encouraged by dealing with brokers who sold to blockade runners operating off the Texas coast. Agents appointed to buy cotton were maintained in every unoccupied parish, as well as San Antonio, Eagle Pass and Brownsville.

The availability of medicine was lacking during this time. Due to scarcity and prohibitive prices, doctors were not able to keep up with demand. Allen directed that a state laboratory be established in Minden for the manufacture of drugs, which could be accomplished by using indigenous barks, roots, herbs and the like. The laboratory was constructed and a great success. The medicinal whiskey it produced was sufficient to supply all the hospitals in Louisiana.

Because of the abundance of pine trees growing in Louisiana, Gov. Allen believed the state could supply its own needs and established turpentine distilleries in Sabine Parish. In addition, by the end of 1864, there was a facility for making carbonated soda and two manufacturing plants for the making of iron goods and weaponry. The two distilleries were immensely profitable, paying the state treasury approximately \$800,000 during the first year of operation.

In the southern part of the state, salt was mined in paying quantities on Avery Island. This salt mine contained a seemingly inexhaustible supply of salt. Although located in Iberia Parish, it was managed out of Shreveport.

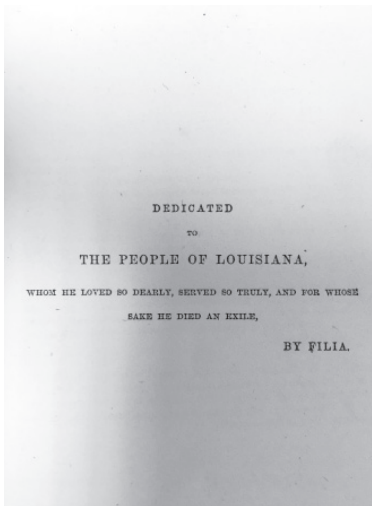
In 1864, Louisiana was in destitute condition with many people without food, clothing, medicine and basic necessities of life. Allen was quick to offer hospice to those in need, constructing what were essentially charity hospitals in Monroe, Alexandria and Shreveport. He also established a state store, and within a year the state-owned store in Shreveport deposited \$425,000 into the state treasury and provided \$22,000 in free goods to destitute soldiers and citizens.

After the town of Alexandria was burned by the Federals, following General Banks's defeat at Mansfield, Allen sent quantities of medicine, food, clothing, shoes and livestock to those in Alexandria who had suffered from the depredation of their city.

Allen never lost his early interest in public education. As the Civil War wound down, he prepared schoolbooks, published in Shreveport, on spelling and arithmetic. These were distributed to the police juries in various parishes for use by schoolchildren at no cost.

On reflection, during this most difficult of times, especially when it is realized that his many accomplishments took place within one year and during wartime, he had established order, restored confidence, developed natural resources, constructed hospitals, and provided for widows and the disabled, all with great concern for the state and the welfare of his people. He was recognized by Douglas Southall Freeman and other Civil War historians as the "best of leaders during the worst of times."

When the Civil War ended in Shreveport, there was stationed here a brigade of Missouri troops commanded by General Jo Shelby who were unreconstructed in every sense of the word and offered Allen transportation by ambulance. Fearing arrest, Allen accepted that long and hard trip and fled to Mexico for whatever future lay ahead.



In Mexico City, he founded an English language newspaper, *The Mexico Times*. In a letter from Mexico City, December 25, 1865, to a friend in Louisiana, Gov. Allen said: "When it shall please God to consign this mutilated body to its last resting place be it among strangers in Mexico, or friends in Louisiana, I should desire no better epitaph inscribed on my tomb than the sentiment in the closing part of your letter: 'Your friends are proud to know that Louisiana had a governor who, with an opportunity of securing millions of dollars in gold, preferred being honest in a foreign land without one cent.'" Allen's wounds continued to plague him, and he died on April 22, 1866, one week shy of his 46th birthday. He was buried in the American cemetery in Mexico City, wearing his Confederate fatigue uniform coat.

In 1876, the body of Gov. Allen was brought back to Louisiana, and in 1885 he was buried on the grounds of the old State Capitol. He is remembered as a brave soldier and capable administrator who did not return until after his death.

The Old South had exhausted itself against overwhelming odds. Allen was as responsible for this as any other, perhaps more so. However, as a wartime governor, he drew on a potential on which, in a more distant future, Huey Long would draw. He was truly a great administrator and had the complete confidence and support of his subordinates at all times.

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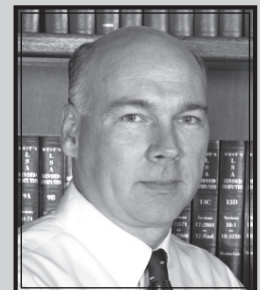
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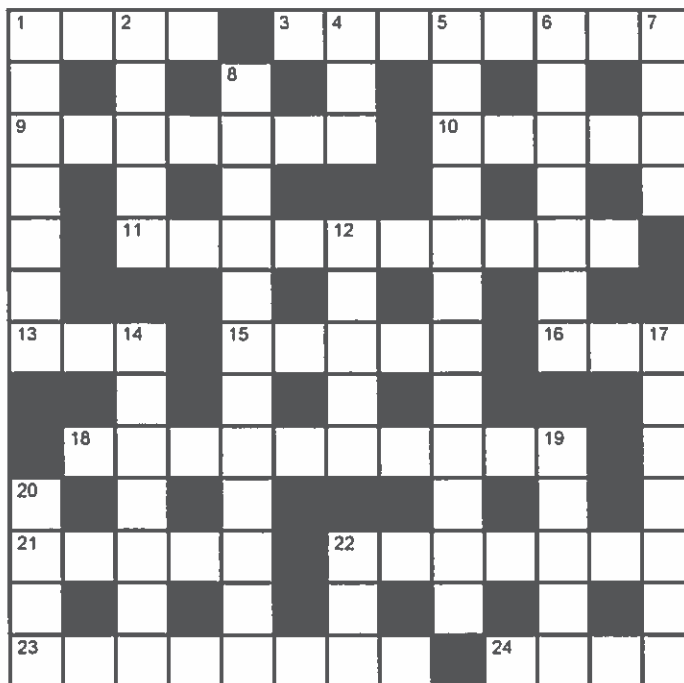
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# Shreveport Crossword Dec. 2017

## Celebrate It!

by Hal Odom Jr.

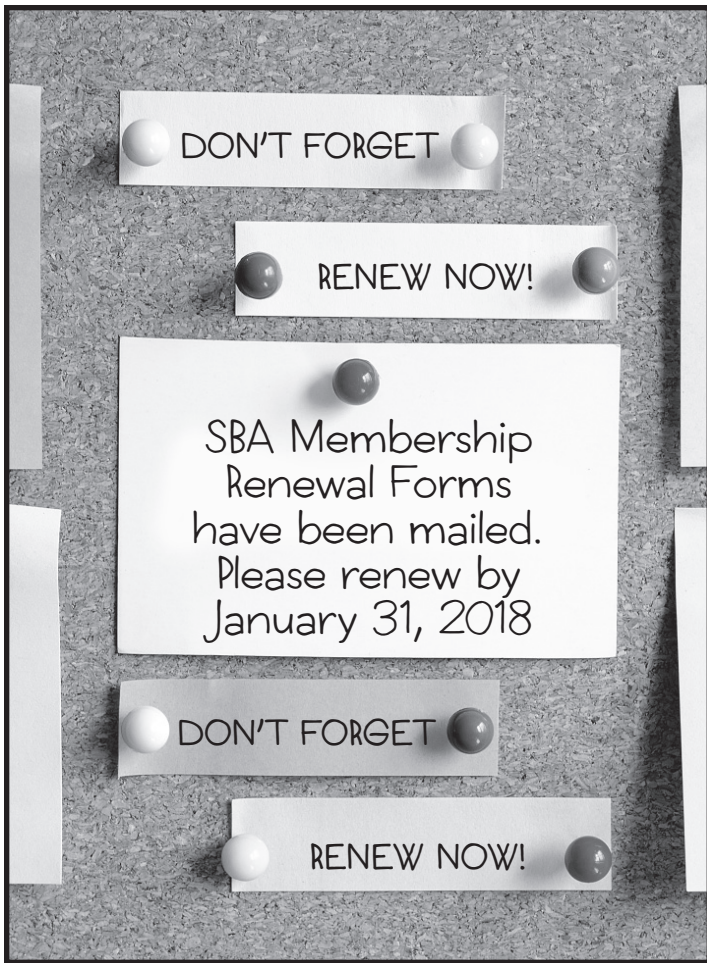


### Across

- 1 \_\_\_ Angels David Rice Memorial 5K Run, mid-May (4)
- 3 Events held by Ambassadors BBQ (8)
- 9 Politically progressive (7)
- 10 Took for a ride, figuratively (3, 2)
- 11 Red \_\_\_, early October (5, 5)
- 13 "The Best Is \_\_\_ To Come" (3)
- 15 Second-generation Japanese (5)
- 16 It *may* be in a holiday casserole? (3)
- 18 \_\_\_ Times Roll Festival, mid-June (3, 3, 4)
- 21 Formal ceremonies (5)
- 22 Expensive fungus, or round chocolate treat (7)
- 23 Major brand of frozen foods (5, 3)
- 24 \_\_\_ Kringle (4)

### Down

- 1 \_\_\_ In Dixie, mid-April (7)
- 2 It's hard work (5)
- 4 Wise bird (3)
- 5 "Can't Get You Out of My Head" singer (5, 7)
- 6 Nervous, restless (7)
- 7 Auld Lang \_\_\_ (4)
- 8 They're administered to 16-year-olds at OMV (7, 5)
- 12 Noted Riveter (5)
- 14 \_\_\_ of Bethlehem, visible to the Magi (3, 4)
- 17 Mudbug \_\_\_, late May (7)
- 19 Put off till tomorrow (5)
- 20 Seen in a crèche (4)
- 22 Seen under an Xmas tree (3)



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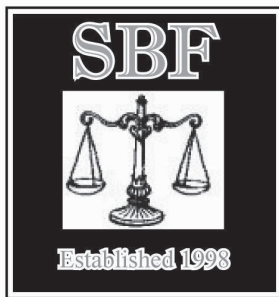
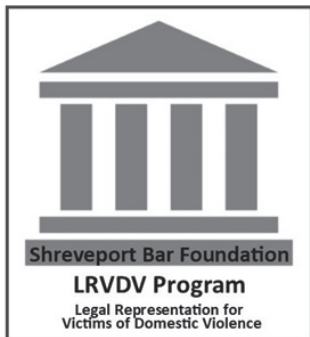
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**December CLE By the Hour Seminar**  
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## **DECEMBER 17**

**Area Law Student Christmas Party**  
**3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at**  
**Zocolo Eatery and Drinkery**  
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## **JANUARY 24**

**SBA Member Luncheon**  
**12:00 Noon at the Petroleum Club (15th Floor)**  
**Speaker: TBD**

## **JANUARY 26**

**Krewe of Justinian Bal**  
**Horseshoe Casino Riverdome**

## **FEBRUARY 3**

**Centaur Parade**  
**Krewe of Justinian Participates**

## **FEBRUARY 11**

**Highland Parade**  
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