## **GUEST COLUMN**

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## Family Day in the Park and DeltaFest Concert

Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> will be a busy day in Monroe. Our annual Family Day in the Park will be taking place in Forsythe Park during the day. Following that, our annual DeltaFest concert will be at the Monroe Civic Center that night.

Come join the fun as the City of Monroe and the Children's Coalition of Northeast Louisiana present Family Day in the Park. This event is done in conjunction with the celebration of "The Week of the Young Child." It will feature a variety of live family entertainment, arts & crafts, horseback riding, Macaroni Kid, YMCA Healthy Kids Day, inflatable jumpers, games and food! It's quality fun for the entire family from 10 am until 3 pm Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> in Forsythe Park.

This year's DeltaFest concert is headlined by R&B group Dru Hill. Other featured acts include R&B group H-Town and Hip-Hop artist Juvenile. DeltaFest 2017 is also a homecoming for Monroe's own comedian Robert Powell, III – who will serve as host of the show! Robert is a Wossman High School and University of Louisiana at Monroe graduate. After briefly working for the City of Monroe and State of Louisiana, Robert took on comedy full-time. He has performed around the world, and has been seen on shows such as Russell Simmons' Def Comedy Jam and Shaq's Comedy All-Stars. Get your tickets now so that you can dance, sing, and laugh the night away.

Saturday will be a great day for you to get out of the house to enjoy some quality time with your entire family. And, Saturday night will be a great opportunity to let your hair down and enjoy some live music and comedy with friends. Have fun this weekend. Monroe is one city, with one future!