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This is our 29th edition of Good News Sunday Fairfield. We want to continue bringing you good news and heartwarming stories in these difficult times.

Mylaen who was 59 years old had struggled with kidney disease for a long time. She did not have a lot of energy and looked 'ghostly pale.' By the time she was in the hospital her kidneys were functioning at 8%. Mylean had an ex-husband and children. She and her ex got along just fine. Her ex-husband name was Jim and he was married to his wife, Debby. Debby knew that she was going to be a grandmother and she did not want Mylaen to miss the chance to meet the baby(s) so she decided to donate her kidney to Mylaen. So, two days after Jim and Debby's wedding they did the transplant. Afterword's Mylaen went to say thank you to Debby for doing such a wonderful thing. And it was very wonderful indeed. Now they are friends and call each other kidney sisters.

Jonathan Carlyle is an Ohio amazon delivery driver he got off of work around 7pm. One night he got an import call from Mike DeWine but since he was getting out of work, he missed his call but called back. When he did call back, he was so surprised. He won 1 million dollars! He was very grateful and happy to win as part of the Ohio Vax-a-million campaign. If you haven't already, go vaccinate to keep you and everyone around you safe. To learn more, go to [Connecticut COVID-19 Vaccine Portal](#).

Only 7-years-old, Chase Pouts saved his dad, Steven and his 4-year-old sister, Abigail. Chase and Abigail were swimming close to the boat and Steven was fishing on the boat. Everything was going fun until Abigail lost her grip of the boat and Chase knew she would get swept away so he let go to grab her. Steven jumped in the water to get them but couldn't get them both so Chase left to swim to shore to get help. He swam for an hour! But finally, people came to the rescue. He was very brave. To learn about water safety go to [Water Safety | American Red Cross](#).

Blockchain

As the blockchain becomes more important we want to educate you about it. This is the fifth edition in our blockchain series. This week we will show you the second half of our interview with Andy Beal about the blockchain. Last week, we showed the first half of our interview with Andy Beal, on the third week we covered the disadvantages of using the blockchain, the second week was the advantages and the first week was an overview of the blockchain.

Mr. Beal is a blockchain expert. He started as a lawyer then moved on to be a consultant. Then he moved on to cryptocurrency and has been doing it for eight years. Andy Beal writes a weekly newsletter about blockchain. To learn more, go to <https://30000feet.substack.com/>

Here is the second part of our interview with Andy:

Q: What do you think about the security of the blockchain and wallets?

A: The distinction to be made is that if you are using an exchange like Coinbase and keeping the coins there you can't lose your key because they manage it for you and they have you memorize a password and username. That is different than keeping your key on your computer. Then you would be responsible for that key and you can't get a new one.

Q: Do you think that the advantages of the blockchain will outweigh the effects on the climate?

A: Everything requires energy like cars need gasoline and we need food. I don't think the question is how much power are you using but where is it sourced. Let's use Bitcoin as an example. About two thirds of the power that is used to support the system is unrenewable sources like coal and oil and about one third come from renewable sources. We are not going to reduce the amount of energy used but we can change where it is coming from. So, we can leverage water, sun, wind and make computers greener.

Q: How do you think the blockchain will change and evolve in the future?

A: The blockchain as the accounting system for the internet is going to get really big because it has to track a lot of things. So one they will be very big and two they will be very valuable because of that. They will have a lot of value like how tesla and apple are worth trillions of dollars well some of the biggest blockchains are already worth that. Think about it as a public company because if you own bitcoin, you are really just a shareholder in the bitcoin network. While they are like plumbing you can still own it. Like you can't own a piece of the internet because there is no way to buy it but you can buy part of the blockchain. The blockchain is going to get really big managing maybe billions of assets, they are going to get valuable. But they also need to be very fast as fast as the internet and also very private and secure. Those are big challenges that the blockchain community has to solve.

Q: Anything else that you want our readers to know?

A: This is what I would like for people to understand. That before the blockchain and the internet there was a very limited number of outlets for news there was the newspaper, the local news and a magazine. Now there are many more sources for media because there are so many sites. The reason that there are so many now is that before it was very expensive to put out information because you had to print big newspapers or you had to own a television station but now you can make sites and print easier and better. Because of the internet and that has allowed us to have similar reach to big companies before the internet. That is the equivalent to what the blockchain will do to the financial sector. Think about who provides the financial services today just banks and fintech's like PayPal. You have to give them your money and they do the things for you. They give out loan and credit cards. You will have more control and freedom over your finances and act as your own bank just how people now can manage news outlets themselves.

Quote of the week.

“I learned compassion from being discriminated against. Everything bad that’s ever happened to me has taught me compassion.”

- Ellen DeGeneres

“When an individual is protesting society’s refusal to acknowledge his dignity as a human being, his very act of protest confers dignity on him.”

- Bayard Rustin

“When I dare to be powerful, to use my strength in the service of my vision, then it becomes less and less important whether I am afraid.”

- Audre Lorde

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Announcements

The library is having a virtual book club on June 7th at 6:30pm. You don't have to read a book about humor you just need to have an interest in the topic. To register go to [A Different Kind of Book Club](#).

On June 7th at 7:30 there will be a meditation session with Jesse Rovero. To register for this guided meditation, go to [Virtual Mudras Meditation Session with Jesse Rovero](#).

There is a virtual Kahoot trivia game on the animal kingdom on June 10th at 6:30pm. To register to test you animal know how you can go to [Virtual Kahoot! Trivia](#).



Some people think of pride month as a time to put on rainbow clothes, get flags and go to a parade. This is a good way to show your support but pride month isn't only about that. Pride month is also about honoring the people who fought hard for the rights of the LGBTQ+. People like Brenda Howard she is known as 'The Mother of Pride'. Brenda organized Gay Pride Week and a march that would become the first New York city pride march. But it is also about the people who lost their lives fighting for the rights of the LGBTQ+. Pride day is a day in pride month that is usually on June 28th. Don't forget to be inclusive and nice to the LGBTQ+ community. Visit [Fairfield County Pride 2021 - TCC - Triangle Community Center \(ctpridecenter.org\)](#) for pride events.

On this day (June 6) ...

In 1755 Nathan Hale was born. Nathan Hale then became a spy for George Washington.

In 1882 the electric iron was patented by Henry Seely.

In 1520 England and France signed the treaty of Scotland.

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