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Thursday marks the beginning of the weekend that the Minden community anticipates every year – the

MINDEN ST. JUDE AUCTION



Prizes for the Minden St. Jude Auction are being set up at the Minden Civic Center. The annual auction will kick off at noon Thursday for four days of fundraising. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald

Volunteers ready civic center for annual auction

hursday at noon marks the beginning of the weekend that the Minden community has been anticipating every year for the past 38 - the Minden St. Jude Auction.

Last year's grand prize winners - Ricky and Diana Sanders and the family at Sanders Machine - say they look forward to the auction every year.

"Last year was our **BY BONNIE CULVERHOUSE** second year to purchase 100 of the grand prize bonnie@press-herald.com tickets and our second year to challenge who-

ever won to donate the money back," Diana Sanders said. "Our whole reason for wanting to give the money back ... I can't imag-

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Volunteers organize donations Tuesday to be auctioned off during the annual Minden St. Jude Auction. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald

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CAMP MINDEN CLEANUP

Officials: Safety plan in place

MICHELLE BATES michelle@press-herald.com

CAMP MINDEN — Safety has become an increasing concern for residents and officials in and around Camp Minden as state and federal officials continue to hash out the open tray burn approved by the U.S. Army versus what they feel is a safer

alternative for disposal of nearly 19 million pounds of M6 propellant.

Webster Parish Sheriff **Gary Sexton** says officials tell him everything is as safe as it can be at

the moment. "We're told right now that the bunkers are going to handle anything out there," Sexton said.

WEBSTER PARISH "We are told **SHERIFF GARY SEXTON** there will not be a chain

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reaction event from them. Nobody has ever dealt with this magnitude of M6 propellant in the history of our country. What we're being told is their best scientific guesswork."

Sexton said authorities have told him there is no danger, but because of the sheer amount of propellant, it's a concern for Bayou Dorcheat Correctional Center.

"The last bunker worked quite well," the sheriff said of the explosion, "but the concern is that was 127,000 pounds in that bunker. Now, what we have is 300,000 pounds in the bunkers. I have to rely on what the explosives professionals tell us. I have never been warned that BDCC needs to be evacuated, which is a concern."

Total capacity at the prison is 440 inmates. Add to that about 75 personnel, with about 25 to 30 on each shift. At this time, he has about 350 prisoners housed at BDCC, plus the 25 to 30 guards and personnel on site at all times. He estimated Camp Minden has close to 1,000 people on the grounds at any given time, more so during the day.

Sexton says there is a plan of evacuation if necessary. He has an agree-

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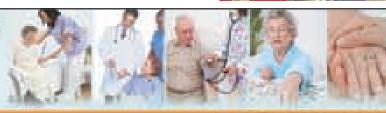
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CAMP MINDEN CLEANUP

Dorcheat SWCD tree sale is Saturday

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Need a tree? Looking for a way to help with soil and water conservation?

Individuals can take care of both needs with one stop Saturday, Jan. 31, when the Dorcheat Soil

and Water Conservation District holds its annual tree sale. This year's sale is scheduled to kick off at 7:30 a.m. and continue until noon at the Dorcheat SWCD office located at 216 Broadway in Minden.

District Secretary Connie Kyles says the sale is a Tree and native Sweet

one-day event and will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis and seedlings are in limited quantities.

This year's sale include: ■ Bald Cypress, River

Birch, Sawtooth Oak, Black Walnut, Red Maple, Tulip

Pecan: \$1.50 each.

- Chinquapin, White Dogwood, Ginko Biloba, Weeping Willow and containerized Mayhaw: \$2
- Muscadine, Fringetree (Grancy Graybeard) and Southern Magnolia: \$3
 - Peppermint Crape

Myrtle (dwarf) and Japanese Snowball: \$4 each.

- Delite and Bluebelle Blueberry and Pink Dog-
- wood: \$6. ■ Bradford Pear: \$8 each.
- Red Delicious Apple, Granny Smith Apple, Santa Rosa Plum, Burbank Plum, Bartlett Pear, Early Elberta

Peach and Golden Jubilee Peach: \$12 each.

Sales of the trees helps the Dorcheat Soil and Water Conservation District raise additional funds for educational outreach and to provide increased technical assistance to landowners.

CRIME TRACKER

Webster Arrest Report

City and parish law enforcement officers made the following arrests during the period Jan. 20 through Jan. 25.

- Dequarias Thompson, 25, 600 block of Carolina Street, Minden, fugitive from the Webster Parish Sheriff's Office, probation and parole hold.
- Cortarrio M. Cornelius, 29, 500 block of East Street, Minden, fugitive from Webster Parish Sheriff's Office.
- Torivana Hamilton, 25, 1400 block of Pearl Street, Homer, speeding, driving under suspension, fugitive from Claiborne Parish Sheriff's Office.
- Jessica Batton, 26, 2100 block of Highway 531, Minden, theft of goods.
- Arlandus Green Jr., 33, 300 block of Joel Street, fugitive from Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office.
- Emily Justine LaMartiniere, 18, 200 block of Danforth Road,

Athens, theft of goods.

- Jadarius Markray, 21, 100 block of Church Street, Minden, possession of CDS Sch. I (mari-
- juana). ■ Emmanuel James, 22, 800 block of Wood Street, Sibley, possession of CDS Sch. I (marijua-
- Latavon Seamster, 22, 1100 block of Cherry Street, Minden, possession of CDS Sch. I (marijuana).
- Andraeous Huey, 33, 1000 block of Horton Street, Minden, possession of CDS Sch. I (marijuana).
- Karla Moss, 52, 100 block of Yount Drive, Minden, theft of goods, on warrant.
- Rayla Shelley, 34, 400 block of W.J. Beck, Minden, conspiracy to commit theft.
- Michael Cottingham, 25, 500 block of Statford Road, Ringgold, theft of goods, possession

of CDS Sch. IV (Xanax), possession of drug paraphernalia, probation and parole hold.

■ Gerry McCoy, 46, 600 block of Madden Mill Creek Road, Jamestown, theft of goods.

■ Robert Batton, 53, 100 block of Southfield Park, Minden, attempted theft, disturbing the peace by intoxication.

■ Jon Theopolis Fuggins, 27, 6100 block Bowie Street, Shreveport, disturbing the peace.

ST. JUDE

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ine a child with cancer."

Diana said as long as her family is financially able, they will continue to purchase the tickets and challenge winners to give the winnings to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital through the Minden

"I can't imagine that we would ever not do it, from here on out," she said. "It's so incredibly important. All children are the same – whether they have cancer or not – it doesn't matter ... they all need to be loved and they all need to know they are loved."

From the rich and famous to the not-so-rich and not-so-famous, more and more people are participating in the Minden St. Iude auction, thanks to the internet and social media.

Auction volunteer Leah Ratcliff said in 2007, the first year of Internet sales, the auction made \$41,000. In 2014, it brought in \$194,000 of the \$1,198,296

"Because of the Internet, last year, we had a family from Germany buying raffle tickets," Ratcliff said. "We've also had people in the military, particularly Afghanistan, that bought tickets."

With the website already up and running, there are links set up and raffle tickets sold in almost every state in the country, especially for the custom reproduction vintage Canned Ham campers, which are replacing the playhouses raffled in years' past.

Because they are ahead of the game at this point, Ratcliff said they expect to exceed last year's Internet

"There are links for the campers on all kinds of camper websites with pictures of the campers," Ratcliff said. "We have 1,100 orders already from Canton, Texas, from LaurieAnna's Vintage Home. They remodeled the inside of the pink camper. She was throughout the auction selling tickets on her web-

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ST. JUDE AUCTION T-**SHIRTS WILL GO ON SALE** AT NOON THURSDAY.

the inside of the green camper.

Tickets for the grand prize – a 2015 GMC Yukon Denali or \$50,000 cash are sold only on the Internet or by mail-in, Ratcliff said. In addition to the grand prize, the Partner In Hope memberships and \$5 and \$10 raffle items may be purchased online. No auction bids are accepted.

Social media is also a new way to follow the auction action.

"You don't have to be at home to see what's going on," Ratcliff said. "Instagram and Facebook are getting the word out. There is a link on our auction website for those. We will be posting there all what's going on, pictures it's a good way to keep up if you're on the go or out of

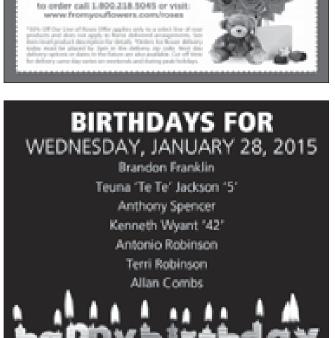


Lisa Balkom organizes T-shirts Tuesday at the annual Minden St. Jude Auction. T-Shirts sales will begin at noon Thursday. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald



Shown is the inside of the green "Danny Boy" camper-playhouse donated by the Minden Fire Department. Raffle tickets cost \$10 and can be purchased online at www.mindenstjude.com. Courtesy Photo/Jenny Mourad







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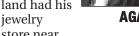
JUANITA AGAN Special to the Press-Herald

Alan Jackson was singing "Remember When?" and I wondered if you remember when.

Do you remember when Ray Allen had a cleaning and pressing shop up near John Fort's News Stand on Main Street (front street)?

Remember when a man

dipped the ice cream cones in the back of Fort's News Stand? Or when Luke Garland had his



store near Mrs. Molly David's shop? And do you remember the lovely hats Mrs. David had in her shop?

Have you forgotten Service Grocery that was owned by Mr. Walter McCoy and Mr. Ellis Wood? Lots of young people, especially boys worked there in the long

ago, such as Dr. Sam Williams.

Do you remember the little movie theatre next to City Drug Store? It had lots of names - The Scout, The Tower, Brownie and maybe other names that I don't remember.

Remember when there was a Nichols' store along near City Drug Store. Later this was the site of Beall's. And do you remember the Morgan & Lindsey store?

Remember when Bernice McCoy Cundiff worked for Kennon's Grocery back in the thirties? Furniture and Hard-

Remember Paul Wallace Furniture store? Mr. Alvah Williams had the GE distributorship in part of that store. Mr. Leon Fuller worked in the furniture store, and he was such a kind and gentle man.

Do vou remember when the big frozen malts cost a nickel at Star Drug Store. One of the men there was Mr. Mildred Alexander (that was his name - Mildred).

Remember all the nice

people who worked at Webb Hardware? Mr. Will Life, Mr. Walter White, Mr. and Mrs. George Lorraine, Mrs. Marshall Carson, and Mr. "Doc" Gibson. Doris Monzingo was the bookkeeper there.

Later she was Mrs. Jimmy Lomax and Jimmy worked there, too. I always say that all my furniture is not "Early American" or "French Provincial" but it is "Early Webb Hardware". The furniture was quality furniture that would last a lifetime and beyond.

Clothing

Do you remember Brown-Goodwill, owned by Mr. Ed Brown and Mr. Ralph Goodwill? Before World War II they handled Red Cross Shoes, but during the war the name was changed to Gold Cross shoes to keep from thinking they were made by the American Red Cross. The dresses were so lovely there. I made most of my clothes as a teenager, and later, but I was so proud to have a nice suit or a dress occasionally bought there. Mrs. Dennis and Mrs.

Matthews (Sue Norman's mother) were the nicest ladies to serve you there.

Remember when in the late afternoons Jim Lyons would peddle his Hot Tamales down the street. He counted out your tamales on several sheets of newspapers and quickly wrapped them for you. At Andress where I went to work in 1940 often some of the men would buy a couple of dozen tamales. spread them out on the counter and invite all of us to have some. They were so good.

Remember when Varah Hardy, and later Chloe Waters Powell worked at Wren Mercantile along with the owners, Mr. and Mrs. Lovic Wren. The Skinner Satin for my wedding dress came from there. Their material was the best. Mr. Wren was the sweetest of men, he was old when I was very young.

A Hole in the Counter Remember those grocery stores along there? E. Henry Lowe's, Lowe and David, and on down the

street was Avinger's Grocery. Remember that A & P was on main street, too.

Remember when stores had a large roll of paper on the end of their counter. Nearby was a huge roll of twine.

Purchases were wrapped in paper and tied with the twine. Not many paper bags were ever used because the paper was cheaper. Sometimes the roll of twine was under the counter and it was pulled up through a hole in the counter. It was that way at Hearne's in Shreveport and at Sears. One of my children (I'll not tell you which one) stuck their finger in that hole where the twine was and their finger got stuck. It took a little work for both the store clerk and me to get that finger out. (Oh, the joys of Motherhood.)

Men's Stores

Remember when we had several stores that sold men's clothing. One store that I remember was. first named Flewellyn's, then Scruggs, then it was called The Gentry and

finally Ratcliff's. Vivian Williams and Maggie Sharp were two clerks who worked there for decades, helping you select shirts, ties and accessories to match the suit you had selected. Do you remember Bridges Clothing Store that was owned and operated by Jack Bridges? It handled men's furnish-

And of course we all remember West Bros. that I have written so much about. That was my first real job for Saturdays and I was so happy to have that job. Mr. and Mrs. H. O. West have been gone for many years now, but Claude and Leatrice West, and David and Gloria West Evans are still important parts of our community.

Juanita Agan submitted a weekly column to the Press-Herald for more than 15 years until her death in 2008. She was a resident of Minden since 1935. The Press-Herald is republishing select articles from Mrs. Agan's Cameos column every Wednesday.

OBITUARIES

Coy McClung

Coy McClung, 96, died Jan. 22, 2015. He was a resident of the Northeast Louisiana War Veterans Home in Monroe. He was born in Strong, Arkansas, to John Dallas and Mary Lee Mr. McClung was a 1941

graduate of Louisiana Tech

in Ruston. He worked his way through college in the Civilian Conservation Corps and by driving a Louisiana Tech commuter bus. After graduation, he served in Intelligence in the Army Air Corp in Europe from 1942-45 with the 434th Troop Carrier Group. After the war, Mr. McClung worked for the Soil Conservation Service, leading a work unit in Marksville and finally serving as an area conservationist for northwest Louisiana.

Mr. McClung was preceded in death by Geneva, his wife of 68 years; his brother, Duward; and sisters, Ruth McClung Deaderick and Floy McClung Johnston.

He is survived by his son, Steven and wife, Elaine of Powell, Ohio; daughters, Rebecca McClung and husband, Herbert of Alexandria; and Catherine McClung Butcher and husband, Jimmy of Minden; grandchildren, David McClung and wife, Michelle, Karen McClung Mittendorf and husband, Brian, Julie McClung Beck and husband, Matthew, John Cady and his wife, Martha, Rachel Butcher Hale and husband, Chase, Jennifer Butcher Fox and husband, William, Jim Cady, Jamin Butcher and Reid Butcher; great-grandchildren, Elliott and Gloria Cady, Jack and William McClung, Abigail and Sadie Mittendorf, Thomas, Anne and Emily Beck, Lalia McFarland and Chanler and Raylee Hale.

Coy and Geneva were always active in local churches. Among them were Sharon Baptist Church, Marksville Baptist Church where Coy was a deacon, Horseshoe Drive Baptist Church in Alexandria and North Acres Baptist Church in Minden.

They shared a lifelong love of camping and fishing and were members of Campers on Mission for many years, avid game players, whether with friends, family, and, especially with their children and grandchildren. A man of uncommon warmtn, energy, and civility, Mr. McClung loved a funny story, especially of real life situations. Family was very important to Mr. McClung, and he was happiest when together with his siblings, cousins, children and grandchildren.

The family would like to thank Mac Henderson for his tender and compassionate care during the last few years of Mr. McClung's life.

Visitation will be from 5 until 7 p.m., Friday, Jan. 30 at Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden. The funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31 at Rose-Neath Funeral Home with the Rev. Steven Smithson officiating. Interment will follow at Sharon Baptist Church Cemetery in Sharon. Pallbearers will be his grandchil-

Condolences can be sent to North Acres Baptist Church, 1852 Lewisville Rd. Minden, LA 71055 or Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, 3601 Hulen St. Suite 102, Ft. Worth, TX 76107 or to Woman's Missionary Union Pure Water, Pure Love, 100 Missionary Ridge, Birmingham, AL

Jesse E. Williams

Graveside funeral services for Mr. Jesse E. Williams, 36, were at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28, 2015, at Memorial Park Cemetery with the Rev. Phil Smith officiating. Jesse, a resident of Minden, passed

away Monday, Jan. 26, 2015.

Jesse is survived by his parents, Dennis and Frances Williams; grandparents, Robert and Carolyn Williams and O'Neal Shivers; one sister, Sandy Seymore and husband, Billy; two brothers, Luke Williams and Andrew Williams; and

numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews from the Monroe area.

Jesse is preceded in death by his grandmother, Mary Shivers.



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ment with the Webster Parish School Board to transport prisoners by bus to other facilities, but high security risk offenders are transported by armed guard in another vehicle. **Homeland Security**

Director John Stanley says the Louisiana National Guard's Youth Challenge program also has a plan in place to evacuate on a short-term and long-term basis, if need be.

Camp Minden itself has a plan to get companies located on the installation to safety, Stanley

With all the fear surrounding the unknowns of the situation, Rep. Henry Burns, R-Haughton, said the potential danger is more with what will be released in the air from the open tray burn than a chance a bunker will

explode again. "They're designed for safety to send the energy force into a safe direction," he said of the M6 propellant. "If a bunker went off, is there a possibility of a

chain reaction? Not likely. There is a safe separation in distance between bunkers and the design of the bunkers should prevent this. They complement each other in design and layout."

Doyline Mayor Gary Carter says he's getting conflicting reports of how safe it really is.

"They (EPA) have not communicated very well with the public, so we don't know what their plan is to take a stand with or against them," he said. "We've been sheltered on what they are actually planning and what they're going to do.

"We hear this, and in the next breath, we hear something totally different," he continued. "They say this stuff will be at its most volatile state by August. But if they want to start burning this like they planned, it's going to take two years. I'm not a mathematician, but 24 months is two years, and August is seven months away. So it just doesn't add up."

Stanley expressed his frustration with state and federal officials as well, saying he is not being kept

in the loop. "I've written a letter to the Military Department and everyone else in the world, asking them to put us back in the loop," he said. "They have just abandoned us, and by us, I mean the locals. They (EPA and state agencies) have laws about keeping the public in the loop, and they just threw all that crap out the window. But they keep saying they are keeping the locals in the loop."

While Doyline may not have a plan in place, Carter says he has researched since taking office, and he doesn't agree the open burn is the best method.

"We have to get rid of it," he said of the M6 propellant. "Is this the best method? I do not know. It's proven that burning it will create environmental and health hazards. So, do I think that's the correct method? I do not. Do I have an answer? I do not. I would like to see them take a little more time and get the right disposal method to get rid of it."

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PERSPECTIVE

Those tacky Golden Arches

MCDONALD'S IS SCRAMBLING, and I'm not talking about eggs. You know your business has what image consultants call "quality perception issues" when you have to launch a PR initiative that publicly addresses such questions as: "Does McDonald's beef contain worms?"

Thornier yet for the world's largest burger machine is its boneheaded response to the remarkable, ongoing rebellion by fast-food workers, who're demanding a \$15-an-hour wage and the freedom to unionize without corporate retaliation. The overpaid and clueless executives at McDonald's responded by — guess what? — retaliating against hundreds of the employees who joined the protests. Big Mac

managers illegally reduced the hours (and therefore the pay) of those who joined the "Fight For 15" campaign, spied on them, interrogated and threatened them, and imposed restrictions on their freedom even to talk about unions or working condi-

The corporation now faces federal charges on hundreds of **HIGHTOWER** labor law violations — as well as rising customer anger over its ham-handed tactics. Naturally, McDonald's responded by apologizing and raising worker's

Ha! Just kidding. Instead, it's running a new series of TV ads that, astonishingly, tries to tap into people's emotions about such tragic events as 9/11 and the Boston Marathon bombing, as well as linking its logo to people's positive feelings about veterans, birthdays, and even "love." McD's corporate marketing director explains that the ads are all about the Golden Arches shining bright in every community, being with us through the good and the bad. As she puts it, "Who better to stand up for lovin' than McDonald's?"

What a joke. For over a decade the burger behemoth has pushed its product with an advertising slogan that exuberantly proclaims, "I'm Lovin' It."

But it turns out that putting words of praise in customers' mouths doesn't sell more burgers — in fact, customers have been putting fewer Big Macs, Chicken McNuggets, and other McEdibles in their mouths, causing sales to sag.

This decline in affection has to do with the corporation's boring burger, unappetizing news reports that some of its suppliers have been repackaging expired meat, its corporate-wide policy of paying poverty wages, its ruthless anti-union tactics and its cynical strategy of having tax payers subsidize its labor costs by directing employees to go on food stamps and Medicaid.

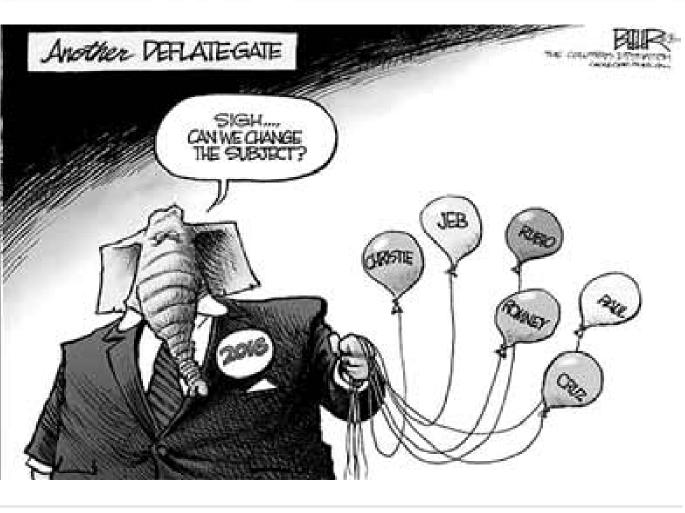
Not to worry, though, for new CEO Don Thompson (the second replacement in the top slot in only two years) is all over these boo-boos. Is he offering real improvements in quality, wages and

benefits, and corporate attitude? Come on — get serious! This is McDonalds, and its investors and bankers don't fritter away profittaking on real solutions. Instead, Don is doubling down on that McLovin' feeling. McD's new ad campaign is specifically designed to link the corporate brand to the healing power of love. The ads show Batman and the Joker breaking bread togeth er over a Happy Meal, a mailman and a dog finding peace under the Golden Arches, and — how's this for seriously clever? — a blue donkey and a red elephant sharing common ground at a McDonald's formica table. Each ad closes with the lovely thought that you, I and everyone every-

where should "Choose Lovin'." Get it? Choose McDonald's, for it's the source of love, and you'll truly be "Lovin' It." Not for nothing is CEO Thompson, who is paid \$9.5 million a year, plus full health coverage, a platinum pension and private use of the corporate jet. Where else but America can you be so enriched for preaching Lovin', while directing your corporate lobbyists to kill any increase in the poverty wages of your employees?

Just ask protesting workers about the "love" they're getting from McDonald's. Oh, to be fair, the bosses did make one change for workers — new uniforms, supposedly to buff-up the corporation's public image. That's not just boneheaded, it's pathetic! I forgot to mention that most of these low-wage employees were forced to buy the uniforms themselves. How's that for McLove?

Jim Hightower is a national radio commentator, writer, public speaker and author.



PERSPECTIVE

Barack Obama finally offers a clear choice

Let's be grateful to President Barack Obama. In his State of the Union address, he dropped the pretense of bipartisanship and, by siding with the progressives, gave the nation what it needs: a clear choice. That's the true American way.

One of the most tiresome things about the first six years of President Obama's tenure was his fake bipartisanship. He often offered to work with the opposition, provided it was reasonable. But since to him only his own ideas are reasonable, the offer was meaningless.

His pretense was popular because it appealed to our love of bipartisanship: Americans like the idea that reasonable people can agree on the solutions to the contentious moral issues at the heart of politics. We're a nation of problem solvers, and for the most part it's served us well.

But politics aren't like that. They're about dilemmas to be handled and principles to be applied, not problems to be solved. Because of that, permanent victories are rare. Permanent battles are the norm. We say we want bipartisanship, but fortunately we don't act that way.

A good bit of the democratic world does. In much of Europe, for example, politics have become extremely consensual. There are still political parties, but the differences between them have shrunk to the vanishing point. Germany is governed by a grand coalition" of Christian Democrats and socialists; Britain by a coalition of Conservatives and Liberal Democrats.

But the best example of consensus politics in Europe comes from Sweden, where in December, six parties agreed to support the center-left government. Sweden's prime minister said this was an example of the country' "proud tradition" of working together.

That sounds nice. But actually, the deal was done to keep the Sweden Democrats, a populist party that wants to reduce welfare spending on immigration, from holding the balance of power. That's politics when it's dominated by a clubby, liberal

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establishment that denies choices which fall outside their narrow. approved range.

Of course, Sweden, Germany and Britain have parliamentary systems, and we don't. But clubby consensus isn't a product of a particular system: in the 1980s, across parliamentary Western Europe, you could vote communist. We have more lively politics here because our elite isn't as dominant as the European one, and so hasn't succeeded in smothering our

And thank goodness for that. The clash of opinions isn't guaranteed to produce truth, but elite agreement is almost certain to produce error. From campaign finance reform to the Vietnam War, some of our greatest failures have been backed by a political consensus.

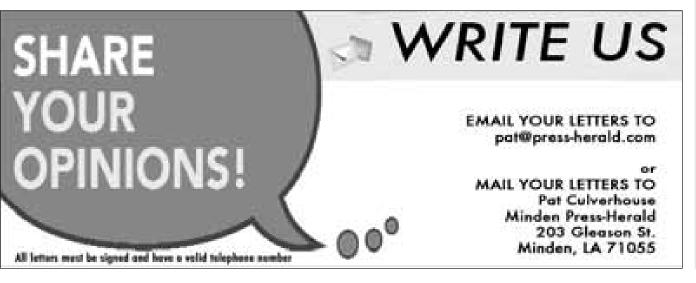
In Europe, too, consensus breeds pushback. Across the continent, it's spawning opposition parties -- from the U.K. Independence Party to the anti-austerity Syriza in Greece -- precisely because the establishment consensus is so narrow.

Nor has our lack of consensus been bad, on the whole, for America. True, the political warfare between the White House and Congress has hurt our military. But it's helped to hold down spending and taxation and reduced the number of new laws, which is good for the private sector. Even the administration's love of rule by administrative pen hasn't eliminated that advantage.

What the president did last week was to offer a clear choice, without the rhetoric of phony bipartisanship. His party has suffered unprecedented losses. He came out punching with proposals designed not to pass, but to control the agenda and trip up

That's a good thing. For while the American people say they want bipartisanship, standing by your principles isn't the sign of a broken system. It's the sign of a genuinely competitive system that works -- for all Americans.

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COMMUNITY

Experiencing 'icy-capades'

This morning I awoke to see the ground covered in a heavy frost. It was so pretty and reminded me of a few "icy-capades" Hubby and I have expe-

Several years we enjoyed a January visit to Gatlinburg . No problem with the roads and we were able to see beautiful snowy landscapes in the mountains. The road into the National Park was closed but we could go part way. We got out of the car and took pictures among the snow-cov-

We traveled some of the outlying streets and roads, discovering places and things we'd never seen in all the many times we'd been in the area. This was a beautiful weekend, one which I have wanted to repeat but have not had the opportunity to do so.

One other tale of icy conditions was while on a trip to Branson. It was Thanksgiving break and two of our children and spouses were with us. We had spent a few days and were planning to leave for home early the

During the night we had freezing rain and when it got time to leave, we realized we couldn't drive up the hill from our hotel to the main highway.

The delay was inevitable, however, for parents (our children) who had left their children at home, it was a fretful time. Just before noon, we were able to leave, enjoying large snowflakes along the way.

But one of the most memorable events was many years ago when we were driving a VW bug. We thought it could take us anywhere, and it practically could.

It was during the winter months when we had a day off. We decided to drive up to Albert Pike. This was our family's favorite camping spot in the warm months, but we had never seen it during the winter. The



temperatures were low, but the sun was shining brightly, so we bundled into the "bug" and set out for the

As we got farther into Arkansas, we began to see ice on the trees. A spectacular view, something we very seldom saw here in north Louisiana. So we kept driving and enjoying the landscapes. A few hours later, we were about to arrive at our destination.

We began to see ice on the rock faces, where water had seeped out and frozen over. More and more appeared as we drove on.

Beautiful icy crystals dripping

The road had been clear and free of ice the entire trip, but now we began to see signs of ice on the road. It didn't deter us, as we were warm, the road was mostly clear, and as I said, we thought the VW could take us any-

We slowed our pace, but kept going. We soon topped the hill leading into the park area. We saw someone standing outside near the store so we pulled in.

"How did y'all get here?" he greeted

"We just drove over the hill with no problem," was our answer.

"We've been iced in for several days, no way in or out," the store owner said.

We chatted a while and decided if it was really that bad, maybe we'd better head back out.

The last thing he told us was, "If y'all come back in, bring us some bread and milk.' He didn't know it, but we did. If we

got out safely, we wouldn't be going back in. At least, not till warmer weather. He'd just have to do without bread and milk a while longer. Today, I sit here in my warm office, enjoying a cup of hot cranberry

pomegranate tea and re-living those exciting times. And thinking it's probably about

time to get in the car and head out for another icy-capade.

Fannie Moore is a journalist who lives in Shongaloo where she enjoys writing on a variety of subjects. Throughout the years she has submitted poetry and articles that were published in several magazines.

MINDEN LIONS CLUB

Disaster recovery specialist to speak **Thursday**

Rod Scott, a specialist in flood hazard mitigation, will be the featured speaker Thursday at the Lions Club meeting.

Scott's experience includes more than 25 years as a contractor repairing flood and fire damaged struc-

tures. He came to Louisiana in 2009 to learn about home elevation following Hurricane Katrina and worked in the home elevation industry where he was involved with more than 350 elevation projects.

Through this experience, Scott gained tremendous knowledge on the many aspects of post disaster recovery. This included an understanding that there is a desperate need for information both pre- and post-disaster.

Based on this need, Scott developed a public education program called Elevation 101 and deployed this program over a period of 16 months in the northeast following Hurricane Sandy. This program was awarded the Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM) John R. Sheaffer Award for Excellence in Floodproofing.

SCOTT

Now back at home in Louisiana, he is the Technical Education Director for Smart Vent Products and is also under contract with LSU Ag Center to update the education series on flood hazard mitigation and

The Lions Club meets at noon every Thursday in the American Legion Hall on Pine Street.

Around Town

Upcoming Events

Enrollment specialists from Martin Luther King Health Center of Shreveport will be at the United Way office in Minden on select Fridays to assist persons in signing up for a health insurance plan on healthcare.gov. Available Friday appointment dates are Jan. 30, Feb. 6 and Feb. 13. at 202 Miller Street. Minden. Call Christina Copeland at 318-470-2111.

CASA training dates for Webster, Bienville, Jackson and Claiborne parishes are 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, Thursday, Feb. 12 and Tuesday, Feb. 17 at Arcadia CASA office, 1978 N. Railroad, Arcadia. Contact Victoria Ricord at 318-425-4413

Vickie.ricord@vyjla.org.

Friday, Jan.30

Krewe of Akewa's Grand Bal XI will be held at 7 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Building, 5400 Texas Street, Bossier

Sunday, Feb. 1

King Solomon Baptist Church, Min. Rodney E. Williams, pastor, Evangelist Cynthia K. Williams, will host a licensing service at 3 p.m. at 372 Saltworks Road, Sibley. Speaker is Evangelist Linite Feaster.

Monday, Feb. 2

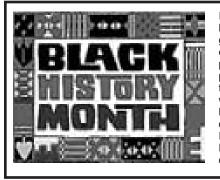
A community meeting concerning the status at Camp Minden will be held at 6:30 p.m. at Doyline High School. Rep. Gene Reynolds will present an update on the status of the open burn disposal The public is invited to attend.

Saturday, Feb. 7

Webster High School Alumni meeting will be held at 3 p.m. in the Alumni Center at 601 Talton Street. Officers, class representatives and former students are invited to attend.

Monday, Feb. 9

Night for the Museum with the Jamieson and Life families will be held at the Dorcheat Historical Association Museum, 116 Pearl Street. Ann Mays Harlan will present a history of the Jamieson family in Minden, while Bonnie Jamieson Culverhouse will present a history of the Life family. Museum doors open at 5:30 p.m.; program starts at 6 p.m.



In honor of Black History Month, Minden Press-Herald is having an essay/poetry contest for school children grades 4 through 8 and grades 9 through 12. Writers are encouraged to submit their feelings concerning a person place or thing that has influenced their lives. Essays and poems should be no more than 150 words. Members of the Press-Herald editorial staff will be the judges. Prizes will be awarded and the first place winners will be published in the newspaper. Deadline for submissions is Friday, Feb. 20. Email to bonnie@press-herald.com, mail to P. O. Box 1339, Minden, or drop by 203 Gleason Street. Names, ages and contact information must be included or the submission will be discarded

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BOXING

Mayweather, Pacquiao meet at Heat game

MIAMI (AP) Floyd Mayweather Jr. and Manny Pacquiao have finally met — in person.

And now talks might get serious about them meeting in the

The fighters were both sitting courtside, directly across from one another, at a Miami Heat game on Tuesday night. Mayweather went over to Pacquiao at halftime, the men shook hands and chatted briefly, then exchanged phone numbers.

"He gave his number to me and said we will communicate with each other," said Pacquiao, adding that he had never before met Mayweather in person.

Asked to clarify if the exchange meant the two would negotiate directly about meeting in the ring, Pacquiao said that was the case.

Mayweather did not respond to a question asked by an AP reporter. "Not now," one of his security guards said, Mayweather fiddled with his phone.

A bout between the two would almost certainly be the richest ever in boxing, potentially grossing as much as \$250 million. Mayweather's take alone could exceed \$100 million.

NBA Rose lifts Bulls over Golden State

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — One after another, teams trotted into rowdy Oracle the months confident they could cool off the NBA's hottest team on their home floor.

It took 113 points, 53 minutes and one big shot from a former MVP to finally make it hap-

pen.
Derrick Rose hit a step-back jumper with 7 seconds remaining in overtime, and the overtime, and the Chicago Bulls ended Golden State's fran-chise-record 19-game home winning streak with a thrilling 113-111 victory over the Warriors on Tuesday night.
"Anybody can get

momentum or anybody can get the feeling they

can beat anybody when you beat a team like this," Rose said.
Rose, looking as healthy as ever, dribbled to his left and created space to get off the 20footer over Klay Thompson, skipping around the court after the Warriors called timeout. Rose finished with 30 points, and his final basket overshadowed a night when he committed a career-high

11 turnovers and made just 13 of 33 shots.

Thompson misfired a wide-open runner off the glass as time expired.

"We feel comfortable with Derrick taking

with Derrick taking responsibility in those moments," Bulls big man Pau Gasol said. "He definitely doesn't hide and he's very aggressive." HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

TUESDAY NIGHT HOOPS

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STONEWALL - The Minden Crimson Tiders made the hour long trip to North DeSoto Tuesday night for a gut-check against Griffins.

In what was a must win game for the Tide, they played much better than they did in last Friday's home loss to Loyola, and the result was a 75-59 win to keep them in the hunt for district and the postseason.

"I was pleased with the effort tonight," head coach Alan Shaw said. "We gave the type of effort it takes every night to win in this district. I'm not so sure we executed much better than Friday, but the effort made the difference.'

The Tide has been struggling offensively as of late, so it was important to come out on fire defensively.

"Our defense was able to make some plays," Shaw said. "We were able to make some plays and get some fast break opportunities that really opened the game up for us. The guys really stepped up tonight."

Kevin Hamilton led

the Tide with 24 points, getting back on track after a couple of low scoring games. L'Jarius Sneed had a big game going for 16 points and Anfernee Red finished with 10.

Minden will be back in action Friday when they travel to Huntington. Lady Tiders

The Minden Lady Tiders got a big win over the Lady Griffins, 71-64.

On the road against a good North DeSoto team, the girls dug deep, trading runs with the Lady Griffins all night.

"I thought o tonight we played pretty well," head coach Jacob Brown said. "We did a good job of working to get high percentage shots and our defense made things happen.

The Lady Tiders got out to a big first quarter lead before North DeSoto stormed back to take the lead at halftime.

In the third quarter the





Lady Tiders made a run of their own to take the lead and were able to keep the Griffins down the rest of they way.

"I'm very pleased with the road win," Brown said. "We fought through rough patches tonight to get the win and I'm proud of the girls."

The Lady Tiders are now 14-9 on the season and 4-1 in district, shot an impressive 53 percent from the field.

Marlena Hill scored 20 points and grabbed 11 rebounds, Tiaga Pugh had 19 points and 9 rebounds and Sha'terra Batton added 19 points

Lakeside Warriors The Lakeside Warriors fell at home to North Caddo, 68-41.

North Caddo entered the game ranked No. 2 in the state in 2A and showed why

"North Caddo basically controlled the game from the first quarter," Warriors head coach Jason Gould said. "They did it without one of their best players too. They're just a really good team."

Frankie Miles was the bright spot for Lakeside, scoring 18 points, followed by Davian Whiting with 9 and

Quatarus Solomon with **Lady Warriors**

The Lakeside Lady Warriors were defeated by the Lady Indians, 66-

"North Caddo is a very good basketball team, Lady Warrior head coach Tavasha Anderson said. "They're very coached and they started the game off going to the rim efficiently. We had a tough time keeping them out of the paint all night.'

The Lady Warriors were led by Chelsea Mays with 8 points, followed by Destinee Joiner with 7 and LaCandria Key with 6. The Warriors and Lady

Warriors will be back on the court Friday at Lakeview.

Glenbrook Apaches Glenbrook

Apaches dropped a home game to the district leading Riverfield Raiders, The Apaches trailed

30-17 at the half, before Riverfield came out in the third quarter on fire ending any hope of a close contest. "I really thought we

would come out and make a run at them," Apache head coach Jeff Dalton said. "Instead they came out fast and outscored us 23-9 in the

Dalton hopes this game will serve as a wake up call to his team. "We must play every

possession with a sense of urgency," Dalton said. Caden Copeland led the team with 8 points and Garrett Sanders

added 7. Glenbrook's game will be Thursday,

Jan. 29 at River Oaks in Monroe. **Lady Apaches** The Glenbrook Lady

Apaches defeated the Lady Raiders in a thrilling overtime game, It was the Lady

Apaches' biggest win of the season, as it seems the team is peaking at just the right time.

The girls played the way I knew they were capable of all season," head coach Rendi Dillard said. "Defensively, we were strong and on offense we were driving the ball and taking it to the rim."

Riverfield is in first place in district, which signifies what the Lady Apaches are capable of going forward.

"It all clicked," Dillard said. onight," "This win gives us great momentum going into the postseason.

Carsin Spurlock had a big game, going for 19 points and 10 rebounds. Olivia Dalton sscored 7 points while dominating the glass on her way to 22 rebounds. Kate Marvin had a big game as well, stepping up with

10 points.

LITTLE LEAGUE BASKETBALL

Little League basketball in full swing

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7-10 girls Kennon Angels vs. **Dream Girls**

Kennon Angels defeated 318 Dream Girls 13-6. Kennon was led by

Brooklyn Harris with 6 points, followed by Jayden Dent with 4 and Tiffani Brown with 2.

Zahria Shyne, Addison Monk and Kierra Harrison all scored 2 for Dream

Lady Lakers vs. Dream Girls

Nakaiya Cooksey scored 10 points and Destiny Malonely added 5 as the Lady Lakers defeated the Dream Girls 15-4.

Al'Mya Lyons and Addison Monk both scored 2 points for the Dream Girls.

11-14 girls Homer Little Sparks vs. Pink Pratique

Little Sparks defeated Pink Pratique 45-20 behind 12 points from Jordan Shelton Malone. JaKayla Staneshia Ferrell, Kaessence Kirk and Lesha Robinson added 4 for the

Little Sparks. Pink Pratique was led by Ja'Mya Robinson with points, followed by Keyunna Jones with 5 and Jamaya Jackson with 4.

In the second game between the two teams, Little Sparks won 31-24.

Jordan Shelton led the team again with 13 points and Marissa Pickens added

Kennedy Dent scored 12 and Lataliya Markray added 6 for Pink Pratique.

Bradford Bulls vs. **Grider's Stars**

The Bulls beat the Stars

The Bulls got 5 points from Brandon Davis Jr., 4 from O'Marion Corley and 4 from Garyn Davis to lead the way. Victor Gipson led the

Stars with 4. **Webster Printing**

Tarheels vs. Lakers JeKoye Knowles led the

Tarheels to a 26-12 win, scoring 14 points. Kayleb Cornelius and Christopher Harris both added 4. Jaylon McKinney had

the big game for the Lakers, scoring 6 points. Grider's Stars vs.

Cooksey Tax Canes The Stars shutout the Canes 12-0.

Leading the way for the Stars was Alderick Clark Keidric Clark with 3.

9-10 boys

Heat vs. Thunder The Heat beat the Thunder 43-19.

Ta'Keviuntae Kidd led the Heat with 16 points, followed by Jatyron Willis and Mi'Jai Batton with 10.

Nathan Ben and Deonte Jackson both scored 8 for the Thunder.

Trojans vs. Minden Athletic

The Trojans Minden Athletic 29-25. Jamaria Clark led the

Trojans with 10 points, by followed Eddie Markray with 8 and Elliot Sheppard with 3. Ty'Darrium Green led

Minden Athletic with 14 points, followed by Mon'Tavious Maddox with 6 and Reginald Moore with 5.

Tommy's Fast Tax Heat vs. Elite

The Heat beat the Elite 46-22

Aldravion Taylor Matthew scored 15, Jackson 10 and Timothy Ary Jr. added 9 to lead the Tyler Jefferson scored

11 points to pace Elite, followed by Travion Sanders with 4.

Show-N-Tell Tarheels vs. Pelicans

Jay'Shun Miller scored 15 points and Malcom Gillis Jr. added 9 as the Tarheels defeated the Pelicans 39-23.

Donald Gillins III and Shundell Gill added 5 each for the Heels.

Curtis Carter led the Pelicans with 14 points in the game, followed by Kyron Kennon with 6.

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premiered at the Toronto Film Festival and created quite a buzz. Courtesy Photo

'Black or White' wrestles with race in custody drama

the title, but there are plenty of gray areas tackled in this good ol' fashioned family dramedy from standup comic turned filmmaker Mike Binder ("Reign Over Me," ''The Upside of Anger").

Pitting a binge drinking Kevin Costner against a butt whooping Octavia Spencer in a battle for custody over their beloved granddaughter, this wellperformed and occasionally amusing affair has a distinctively '90s feel to it, laying on the sauce rather thick at times, although it still creates a believable story raising questions about parenthood and racial prejudice in modern-day Los Angeles.

"Black or White" may be opening scene introduces us to California attorney Elliot Anderson (Costner), whose wife has just died in a car accident, leaving the man with little consolation outside a home bar fully stocked with Scotch. But he does have one remaining hope in life: his mixedrace 7-year-old granddaughter, Eloise (newcomer Jillian Estell), who's been living with him ever since the girl's mother died at childbirth and her drug addicted father, Reggie (Andre Holland), landed in

Trying to cope with his granddaddy duties as he slowly drinks himself into oblivion, Elliot manages to keep things afloat for the time being, especially after credible portrait of a frac-A somewhat clumsy hiring an overqualified tured family living on

math tutor, Duvan (Mpho Koaho), to serve as righthand man and provide some necessary comic relief to the household. Yet just when things are picking up, he's paid a visit by Eloise's paternal grandmother, Rowena (Spencer), a loving but iron-fisted matriarch whose boggleeyed glare is enough to push back an army, and who soon takes it upon herself to demand custody of her granddaughter through the help of hotshot nephew lawyer, Jeremiah (Anthony Mackie).

"Inspired by a true incident" per the opening credits, the screenplay by Binder paints a broad but

opposite sides of L.A.'s racial barrier, with Elliot carousing around his massive suburban mansion while Rowena shelters relatives in a Compton abode across the street from a crack den. Yet neither household is shown to be a total movie cliche, and the script intelligently navigates both domains to reveal how they have more in common than they may imagine, especially when it concerns the best interests of their granddaughter.

As Rowena blindly (and not always understandably) continues her legal pursuits just as Reggie pops back into the picture, the race question is eventually brought into play Various plot mechanics, some of them rather heavy-handed, lead to a resolution that predictably shows how little race ultimately matters, although "Black or White" never panders too easily to sentiments, creating characters who are riddled with flaws but likeable all the same.

Such is the case with Elliot, and as both producer and star this is clearly Costner's film for the taking. It's a pleasure to see the seasoned actor approaching this kind of role after a recent run of genre-related material ("Man of Steel," ''3 Days to Kill"), reteaming with Binder (who he worked material involving drug with on "The Upside of use and drinking, and for a and even becomes a major Anger") to play a man fight." Running time: 121 factor in the ensuing trial. whose life has been riddled

with tragedy but who still has a fighting spirit and dark sense of humor. (Costner can also still play a convincing drunk, which is no easy task.)

The rest of the cast is excellent, starting with Spencer and her guns-ablazing portrayal of Rowena, and moving down to the terrific young Koaho, who sparks the most laughs with his depiction of an African immigrant who's the smartest guy in the room and not afraid to

"Black or White," a Relativity Media release, is rated PG-13 for "for brief strong language, thematic

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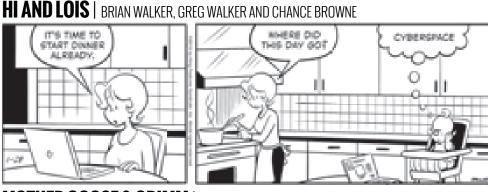




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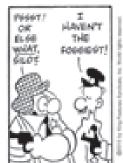
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Motion was made by Toby Sinclair, seconded by Naomi Houston, to adjourn the meeting, motion carried.

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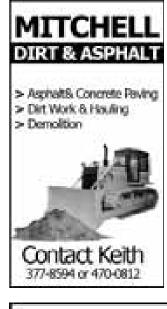
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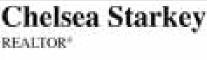






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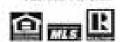
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