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MINDEN CRIME

## Woman accused of stealing AC units

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A Shreveport woman found herself behind bars after police say she stole several air conditioning units and tried to sell them.

Grace E. Peterson, 22, of the 9000 block of Mansfield Road, was arrested Thursday, April 16, and charged with felony theft of goods. Bond was set at

\$20,000.

Minden Police Chief Steve Cropper says Officers Brandon Curry and Shawn Jenkins arrested Peterson after security at Walmart Supercenter called authorities on the matter.

"She came to Walmart here back on (April) 12," Cropper said. "The security people at Walmart observed her pushing three air conditioners in a shopping cart, but they

were unsure if they were paid for or not."

According to their rules and regulations, he says, they were not able to approach her and inquire about the purchase unless they were sure it had been paid for. "They suspected (the

air conditioners) had been shoplifted, but they let her go," he said. "The guy over loss prevention actually got on her Facebook page and saw where she was trying to sell those air conditioners. Because of Facebook, he was actually able to identify the three air conditioners as the ones that came from here."

On Thursday, April 16, the same security officer saw her back in the store, and watched her place

four more air conditioners into a shopping cart and walk out of the store. He immediately called Minden police, Cropper says.

Officers Brandon Curry and Shawn Jenkins responded to the call on April 16.

The total value of the air conditioners is roughly \$1,400.

She is currently incarcerated at Bayou Dorcheat Correctional Center.



**PETERSON**



Police: Man flees from officers, arrested for drugs

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TARTAN FESTIVAL



## Weather doesn't stop Scottish Tartan Festival

Festival goes at the Scottish Tartan Festival pet and feed a Highland Cattle during Saturday's activities. Festival officials say despite rainy weather, the festival went smoothly. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

## CCRT bringing community together

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The first meeting Coordinated Community Response Team brought several community leaders and nonprofits together Friday to begin addressing the parish's most prevalent needs.

Bridgett Salsberry, advocate for Project Celebration Inc., says it's about bringing together several outreach programs to

serve a common goal.

"We were talking about all these outreach services and how they were all over," she said. "In Shreveport, they have teams for everything - sexual assault, domestic violence, homelessness, and I thought we need a team, because in rural areas, it's just different. This is everybody's team. It will be what we make it to be."

In light of April as National Sexual Assault

Awareness Month, two officers of the law received the Hope Award for their work in helping others in domestic abuse or sexual assault situations.

Springhill Police Detective Bryan Montgomery and Webster Parish Sheriff's Deputy Teresa Rogers both received the award. Montgomery is an investigator for all types of crimes, but serves on the Northwest Louisiana Crimes Against Children

task force as well as Bossier City Marshal's Office and the FBI's task force.

"We feel like we can't say enough or do enough to recognize them for what they do," Salsberry said.

With Project Celebration, these volunteers offer outreach services, help with protective orders, advocates to help

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TOURISM

## Burn run revs up funds for a cause

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The Brothers Keepers Motorcycle Club converged on Lake Bistineau State Park this weekend to raise funds for a good cause.

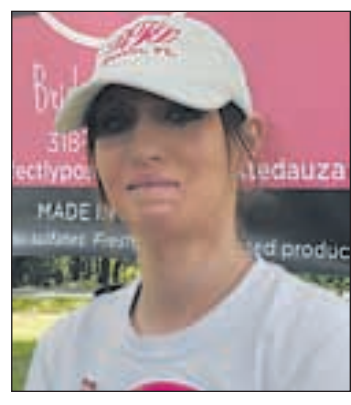
Helping to fund the burn camp in Scottsville, Texas, the 13th annual Burn Run was another success. As of press time, the total amount raised this year was unavailable, but in 2014, the club, along with others, raised \$43,000. Shreveport Chapter president Damon Johnson says the first year, they raised \$500.

"We started raising money for the Percy R. Burn Foundation, which sponsors 'Camp I'm Still Me,'" he said. "It is a burn camp for kids in the summer where kids with severe burns are able to go and just have a nice, fun summer camp week. It's the one time a year where they get to be normal and not worry about their scars."

The camp was established through physicians with the burn unit at University Health in Shreveport.

The Brothers Keepers MC has chapters in the United States, Australia and Canada. They are a group of paid vol-

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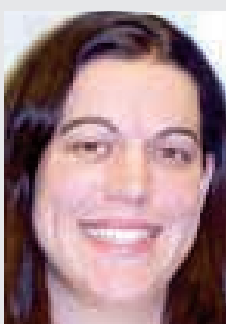


**Bridgett Dauzat.** Michelle Bates/Press-Herald



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# SECOND FRONT

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MINDEN CRIME

## Police: Man flees from officers and crashes car; arrested for drugs

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A Minden man ended up in handcuffs after reportedly running from police and wrecking his vehicle, adding drug charges to the list of offenses when police discovered what appeared to be marijuana lying on the ground.

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Allen, 23, of the 500 block of Patrick Street, was arrested Wednesday, April 15, and charged with possession of Schedule I CDS (marijuana) with intent to distribute, failure to use a turn signal, obstruction of justice, driving under suspension and aggravated flight from an officer. Bonds totaled \$29,150.

Minden Police Chief Steve Cropper says Officer Clint Smith attempted to

initiate a traffic stop on Sibley Road north of Interstate 20.

"The vehicle merged on to interstate and refused to stop," Cropper said. "He traveled on I-20 to the Dixie Inn exit, driving at a high rate of speed. When he exited at Dixie Inn, he lost control and ran off the roadway."

His vehicle came to rest partly in the road, according to reports, and Smith

searched the driver, later identified as Allen, and discovered a small bag of suspected marijuana in his left front pants pocket. A search of the perimeter around the vehicle revealed a large bag of what appeared to be mari-



ALLEN

juana on the ground.

A search of the vehicle yielded another large bag of suspected marijuana, according to reports.

"He'd actually hid one of them (bags) underneath the car after it came to rest," the chief said. "And they found another he'd thrown out on the roadway."

Allen was placed under arrest and transported to the Minden Police station.

Once there, Cropper says Allen admitted to throwing one of the bags out of the window. Police seized approximately nine ounces of suspected marijuana.

Sgt. Chris McClaran and Officer Brandon Curry assisted in the traffic stop and arrest of Allen.

Dixie Inn Police impounded the vehicle.

Allen is currently incarcerated at Bayou Dorcheat Correctional Center.



Members of the Jackson Irish Dancers perform Saturday at the Scottish Tartan Festival. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald

LOUISIANA LOTTERY

## Powerball jackpot won in Puerto Rico; La Lotto rolls over

BATON ROUGE — A ticket sold in Puerto Rico claimed the \$50 million multi-state Powerball jackpot Saturday, while nobody won the \$450,000 Louisiana Lotto drawing.

Louisiana lottery officials say the winning numbers drawn in the Powerball were: 13, 22, 23, 29, 31 and Powerball 17.

There was one ticket purchased in Louisiana that matched four numbers and the Powerball. It's worth \$10,000.

Wednesday's jackpot

will be worth an estimated \$40 million.

In the Lotto drawing, the numbers drawn were: 6, 8, 17, 32, 36 and 37. Ten tickets matched five of the numbers and each is worth \$2,466.

The next Lotto drawing has an estimated prize of \$475,000.

No tickets matched all five numbers drawn in the Easy 5 drawing for the \$110,000 prize. Wednesday's jackpot rises to an estimated \$130,000.

## RUN

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unteer firemen who own motorcycles.

"We just get together and raise money for different charities in different areas and just for the love of riding," Johnson said.

During burn week, the chapter will ride to Scottsville, present the check and spend some time with the kids.

"The kids light up when they see you pull in on a motorcycle, and they see the fire truck," he said. "Just them being kids. They don't have to hide their scars, they don't have to worry about being teased or made fun of. It just touches your heart when they run up to you and want to give you a hug and thank you for doing what you do."

They chose Lake Bistineau State Park, he

says, because the fundraiser has grown over the years and needed more space to host their events during the weekend. The first events were hosted at Camp Joy, but as it grew, it had to be moved, he says.

"Webster Parish has embraced our event, and has helped us obtain the park," he said. "They've donated the park fees to us, and we get an advertising grant from the Webster Parish (Convention and Visitors Bureau), and they've opened their arms and welcomed us 100 percent. The staff at the state park has just been so helpful to accommodate this."

As the fundraiser has grown, the very kids that benefit from it have come back to help with it.

Bridgett Dauzat, 27, of Castor, was a camper and later a camp counselor at the burn camp, and without it, she says she doesn't know what she would have done.

Her story begins in 1993, when she and her cousins were playing in the yard. Her father was burning some stumps and the gas can blew up and shot across the yard. She suffered second and third degree burns over 76 percent of her body.

"My mom and dad tackled me down to the ground and put me out and rushed me to the hospital," she said, "and I was sent to LSU from Homer (then Homer Memorial Hospital)."

In June 1994, she attended her first camp.

Growing up was hard for her, she says.

"A lot of the kids picked on me," she said. "I had a very bad problem with self-esteem. I didn't think I was pretty or anything. I stayed active in sports, and before I got burned, I was in a lot of pageants."

Following the accident, she was pulled out of the pageant scene until her high school years when she

competed at Lakeside Jr./Sr. High School. She says she placed in the pageants almost each time.

Although she grew up in Castor, she spent her school years at Glenbrook and at Lakeside so she could play sports.

Going through the aftermath and learning to live with the disfiguration, Dauzat has become a stronger person, saying she learned looks aren't everything.

"It's about what's on the inside and how you have an outlook on things," she said. "You just push forward through life no matter what. Burn camp helped me find who I am, and it let me know I'm not the only one. There's other people and there were other people that were worse than me."

She went back to the burn camp each year, graduating from camper to junior counselor to camp counselor to help other

kids.

"It was a big change," she said, "because I had been going for so long that they made me a junior counselor when I was 14, and I went to a full-fledged counselor when I was 17. When I had my kids and I didn't go, it was heart-breaking."

She has children and is

now married and moving forward with her life. She does go to the camp for two or three days a year, but this is the first year she has been able to participate in the burn run and give back to the camp.

"They're like a second family," she says of everyone at the burn camp.

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## WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Chamber of commerce representatives and public officials, family and friends join Dr. Denise Webb, left as she cuts the ribbon at her new office, Webb Family Medicine located in the Minden Medical Pavilion at 101 Murrell St. Right, Owners Berry and Francis Phipps cut the ribbon at Beanie and Bubba's Grill's new location at 2193 La. Highway 532.



### OBITUARIES

#### Pierce E. Burton Jr.

Funeral services for Pierce E. Burton Jr., 84, were at 10 a.m., Thursday, April 16, 2015, at Rose-Neath Funeral Home Chapel in Minden with Bro. Leland Crawford and Bro. Bill Crider officiating. Interment followed at the Gardens of Memory Cemetery in Minden. The family received friends at Rose Neath Funeral Home from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m., Wednesday.



BURTON

Mr. Burton was known since childhood by his nickname, "Ponto." Ponto was born on April 21, 1930, to Pierce and Annie Burton. He entered Heaven on Monday, April 13 at his home following a brief illness.

Mr. Burton enjoyed the last 30 years of his life farming, gardening and raising cattle. He served as a justice of the peace for over 50 years; a position that was previously held by his father for many years.

He is survived his wife of 60 years, Carolyn Caskey Burton of Minden; sons, Mike Burton and wife Tammy of Minden and Keith Burton and wife Tina of Shreveport; sister, Margaret Ann Burton; nephew, Ralph Cross of McKinney, Texas; grandchildren, Beau Burton and wife Lexie of West Monroe and Ryan, Will and Anna Kate Burton of Shreveport.

Pallbearers were grandsons Beau, Ryan and Will Burton; Ralph Cross, Gary Greene, and Harold Roberts.

The family would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to Dr. Joe Bolger and B. J. Pike, R.N. of Gamble Hospice for care given to their loved one.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggest memorials be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital (stjude.org or 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105) or the First Baptist Church of Minden Homebound Ministry (301 Pennsylvania Avenue, Minden, LA 71055).

#### Martha McCollum Carlton

Funeral services for Martha McCollum Carlton were at 10 a.m. Monday, April 20, 2015 at Rose-Neath Funeral Home Chapel in Minden with the Rev. Bill Crider and the Rev. Steve Gilley officiating. Interment followed at Gardens of Memory in Minden. The family received friends from 5 until 7 p.m., Sunday, April 19, 2015 at Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden.



CARLTON

Martha was born Oct. 23, 1928 in Washington, DC and entered into rest April 16, 2015 in Minden.

She believed in giving back to her community. She served as president of Women in Construction, former director of Minden Main Street Program, longtime board member of The Gaslight Players in Shreveport, and organizer of Emmanuel Baptist Church.

She was a loving and devoted mother and grandmother. She is survived by her daughters, Carolyn Lay Marsh and husband William Edward, Cathlyn Lay Braunig; grandchildren, Belle Adonia Braunig, Mary Elizabeth Valadez, Julia Anne Sung and Shawn Joseph Marsh; and great-

grandchildren, James Sebastian Sung and Jonathan Joseph Sung.

#### Calvin L. Crews

Graveside services for Calvin L. Crews will be at 10 a.m., Wednesday, April 22, 2015, at Pleasant Valley Cemetery in Minden under the direction of Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden. Officiating will be the Rev. Bill Crider. The family will receive friends from 5 until 7 p.m., Tuesday, April 21, 2015, at Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden.



CREWS

Calvin was born August 16, 1950, in Shreveport, and entered into rest April 18,

2015, in Minden.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Carroll and Edith Crews and brother Marlin Crews.

He is survived by his sisters, Maudie Crews McCart and husband George of Shreveport, Bessie Crews Badgley of Bossier City; brothers, P.A. Crews and wife Mildred of Princeton, Marcus C. Crews and wife Barbara of Stonewall and Mose H. Crews and wife Sherry of Sibley; numerous nieces and nephews and a special caregiver Kathy Carson and the staff of Webster Parish Community Home.

Honorary pallbearers will be his good friends, Damon Lubon, Daniel Dupree, Tommie Evans, Willie Horton and James Thomas.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to a charity of donor's choice.

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victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault and they work with law enforcement in regard to these types of cases.

The goal of the first meeting was to get acquainted with each other as well as set a time and date for monthly

meetings. Meetings will be the last Friday of every month at noon at United Way's Center at 202 Miller Street in Minden.

Also at the meeting were Suzie Moseley, a representative of the Office of Veterans Affairs, Jeri Bloxom, director of operations for United Way of Northwest Louisiana Minden office, Jessica Lewis, director of the Joe LeBlanc Food

Pantry, Paul Gray, director of the United Christian Home, Sgt. Tokia Whiting with the Minden Police Department, Minden Police Detective Keith King Jr., Vanessa Mayfield with Legal Services of North Louisiana, Inc. and Maggie Hadgkins of Springhill Mayor's Office.

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# OPINION

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PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

## Climate change can no longer be ignored

Wednesday is Earth Day, a day to appreciate and protect this precious planet we call home. And today, there's no greater threat to our planet than climate change.

2014 was the planet's warmest year on record. Fourteen of the 15 hottest years on record have all fallen in the first 15 years of this century. This winter was cold in parts of our country — as some folks in Congress like to point out — but around the world, it was the warmest ever recorded.

And the fact that the climate is changing has very serious implications for the way we live now. Stronger storms. Deeper droughts. Longer wild-fire seasons. The world's top climate scientists are warning us that a changing climate already affects the air our kids breathe.



**PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA**

Last week, the Surgeon General and I spoke with public experts about how climate change is already affecting patients across the country. The Pentagon says that climate change poses immediate risks to our national security.

And on Earth Day, I'm going to visit the Florida Everglades to talk about the way that climate change threatens our economy. The Everglades is one of the most special places in our country. But it's also one of the most fragile. Rising sea levels are putting a national treasure — and an economic engine for the South Florida tourism industry — at risk.

So climate change can no longer be denied — or ignored. The world is looking to the United States — to us — to lead. And that's what we're doing. We're using more clean energy than ever before. America is number one in wind power, and every three weeks, we bring online as much solar power as we did in all of 2008. We're taking steps to waste less energy, with more fuel-efficient cars that save us money at the pump, and more energy-efficient buildings that save us money on our electricity bills.

So thanks in part to these actions, our carbon pollution has fallen by 10 percent since 2007, even as we've grown our economy and seen the longest streak of private-sector job growth on record. We've committed to doubling the pace at which we cut carbon pollution, and China has committed, for the first time, to limiting their emissions. And because the world's two largest economies came together, there's new hope that, with American leadership, this year, the world will finally reach an agreement to prevent the worst impacts of climate change before it's too late.

This is an issue that's bigger and longer-lasting than my presidency. It's about protecting our God-given natural wonders, and the good jobs that rely on them. It's about shielding our cities and our families from disaster and harm. It's about keeping our kids healthy and safe. This is the only planet we've got. And years from now, I want to be able to look our children and grandchildren in the eye and tell them that we did everything we could to protect it.

President Barack Obama's weekly address runs every Monday in the Minden Press-Herald.

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### ANALYSIS

# Lawmakers start looking at tax proposals this week

As they look for ways to solve next year's budget problems, Louisiana lawmakers are getting a crash course in the state's tax system: the loopholes they've created, the tax cuts they've given and the price tag for the myriad of tax breaks they've approved.

Now, Democrats and Republicans worried about deep reductions to health care and colleges are wondering if they've been too generous, and that has become the central theme of this year's legislative session as lawmakers start sifting through tax rewrite options in Senate and House committees Monday and Tuesday.

Legislative economist Greg Albrecht gave the Senate Finance Committee a detailed presentation last week, walking senators through the various tax breaks and cuts that have been passed over the last decade.

Carrying one of the biggest price tags, Albrecht said Louisiana lost \$800 million in yearly revenue from income tax cuts passed to undo the Stelly Plan, a 2002 tax rewrite that eliminated sales taxes on groceries and residential utilities in exchange for increased income taxes on middle- and upper-income earners. The tax increases were rolled back in 2007 and 2008 after public backlash, and the sales taxes were never put back in place by lawmakers.

"We have permanently reduced our tax base in two areas, sales and income taxes," Albrecht told senators.

And that doesn't count other tax breaks that lawmakers passed or expanded or that unexpectedly grew much larger than anticipated after they were on the books. The cost for the state's various tax credits, rebates and exemptions has ballooned by more than \$600 million in the last five years alone, according to the Department of

Revenue. Albrecht's presentation essentially showed senators how the Legislature helped create some of the state's budget shortfalls. Lawmakers and governors stripped sizable amounts of money from the state treasury, and the problem deepened when the national recession hit.

Gov. Bobby Jindal and lawmakers refused to shrink state expenses to match state revenue, instead using patchwork financing to piece together budgets each year. Now, next year's shortfall has ballooned to \$1.6 billion for the fiscal year that begins July 1.

And everyone's scrambling to find money.

Republicans who traditionally have defended business tax breaks have started describing the credits, rebates and exemptions as "government expenses," a distinction that allows them to frame possible changes not as tax hikes, but as cuts to state spending.

Even Jindal, who has rigidly guarded his anti-tax reputation as he considers a likely presidential campaign, has targeted a set of tax breaks for scale-back in his budget recommendations.

He's describing those tax credits, in which businesses get checks from the state treasury above their state tax liability, as "corporate welfare" and "excessive spending" to justify his proposal to lessen \$500 million in tax breaks while also saying he's not proposing a tax hike.

"To me that's expenditures. That's government spending. And that should be on the table. It would be wrong to protect that spending and then make deeper cuts to higher education," Jindal said Thursday.

He added: "I do make a distinction."

Meanwhile, Jindal's revenue secretary, Tim Barfield, has been circulating data that shows many of Louisiana's biggest companies aren't paying income taxes to the state at all.

Barfield said he found companies aggressively using tax avoidance options and tax breaks to avoid owing anything to Louisiana.

Of the 87 largest companies that filed corporate tax returns in 2012, one-quarter of them, 22 businesses, paid corporate income taxes in Louisiana, according to the revenue department data. About half of the businesses, 42, paid corporate franchise taxes.

The department had similar findings from the 2011 returns. Barfield's talking to lawmakers about possibly closing some of the loopholes, and several bills are proposed in the 60-day legislative session to do that.

The discussions are far different from seven or eight years ago when lawmakers were proposing new ways to cut taxes and add tax break programs, or even two years ago when legislators were resistant to ratcheting back existing tax breaks.

Budget desperation has changed the conversation this legislative session.

Melinda Deslatte covers the Louisiana Capitol for The Associated Press.



**MELINDA DESLATTE**

### PERSPECTIVE

## Often there's no sensible middle

Some time ago, I heard a power company executive arguing that humans have played no role in global warming. Actually, he went further, "demonstrating" that global warming isn't even happening. (This is often done by cherry-picking dates to start with an unusually warm year.) He ended by spreading his arms and beseeching us in his common-sense voice, "Can't we meet in the sensible middle?"

To which I thought, "If I say the moon is made of lunar rock and you say it is made of green cheese, is the 'sensible middle' that the moon is half lunar rock and half green cheese?"

That's the problem with sensible middles. You can't do the give-and-take without agreeing on facts. Nowadays, some of the thorniest problems get hung up on one side's dismissal (or corruption) of accepted science. We can compromise over how far our society will go in confronting climate change, but we must first agree it exists.

Thus, when we ask questions like "Would Hillary Clinton be a centrist president?" what do we mean by that? We can be sure that if nominated, Clinton the candidate will try to seem centrist, as will her Republican foe. Americans like the sound of moderation.

Some debates can't logically end in compromise. The right to abortion does not lend itself to concessions, making it a land mine for Republicans in a general election. Religious conservatives want abortion banned, but most Americans want it kept legal. So you have Republican candidates saying that they oppose abortion but would allow it in cases of rape and incest.

They may even paint others as extremist: "My opponent won't even make an exception for rape or incest."

In reality, the so-called extreme position is the only logical "pro-life" stance. If one holds that the organism formed at conception is a full human person, it is a full human being whether conceived through rape or through marital love.

There is no biological difference.

I don't agree that two cells fused at fertilization are a full human being. I respect the views of those who do, but not if they won't accept the consequences of their position.

Another problem in reaching a sensible middle is finding the middle. Tax and spending policy is an area where compromise can be reached. But there's no middle to work toward when one side portrays any tax increase as a deal killer.

In 2011, eight Republicans running for president were asked at a debate whether they'd accept a deal with Democrats giving them \$10 in spending cuts for every \$1 in tax increases. This would seem a conservative's debt reduction dream, but not one of the eight would say yes to it.

The candidates were surely mindful of President George H.W. Bush's electoral loss after breaking his pledge, "Read my lips: No new taxes." The elder Bush happened to be doing the responsible thing, but his party's right wing had moved fiscal management from the realm of political science to black-and-white religion.

Today this faction doesn't want its leaders to be seen shaking hands with President Obama, much less compromising with him on matters of substance. The outcome is Republicans disinheriting their own ideas because Obama has adopted them. The great example was the Affordable Care Act, whose blueprint came out of the conservative Heritage Foundation.

Many Americans only pretend to seek a sensible middle by placing the middle in the middle of their stuck beliefs. No, it's worse than that. Many are scuttling rational thought altogether, accepting or rejecting beliefs not on their merits but based on who is holding them. The end product is neither a middle nor sensible.

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## Around Town

### EDUCATION

## Glenbrook revives lip sync



Glenbrook elementary students and parent enjoyed a revival of Glenbrook's popular Lip Sync contest held on Tuesday. Students from grades k - 6 participated. Pictured are the winners (in no particular order). First place, performing "It's a Hard Knock Life," featuring Lexie Bradley, Maci Tanner, Aubrey Gray, Reese Brown, Haley Self, Kaley Sparks and Malory Pesnell. Second place and People's Choice Award, performing "Thriller," featuring Blake and Bella Guin, Baylee Bonsall, Eli Still, Maddie Whitehead, Landry Still and Kalyn Williams. Third place, performing "I am a Star," featuring Claire Waites, Emma Pitman and Sarah Margarget Mosley. Courtesy Photo

#### Sunday, April 19-Friday, April 24

Galilee Missionary Baptist Church will host its spring revival. At 3 p.m., speaker for Sunday, April 19: Pastor James E. Smith. At 7 p.m. each night: April 20: Pastor Reggie Lofton, Mt. Nebo BC, April 21: Pastor Billy Hawkins, Mt. Pilgrim BC, April 22: Pastor Ray Jiles, Valley Spring BC, April 23: Pastor John Cole, Mt. Comfort BC, and April 24: Pastor Royal Scott Jr., Greater St. Paul Baptist Church.

#### Friday, April 24-Sunday, April 26

The 10th pastoral appreciation honoring Bishop Charles A. Blanks will be at Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, located at 329 Shady Oak Ext., in Springhill. The guest speakers will be Bishop Kimberly Randle at 7 p.m., Friday, April 24, a musical at 6 p.m., Saturday, April 25, and Pastor Rodney Williams at 3 p.m., Sunday, April 26. Everyone is invited.

#### Saturday, April 25

Eastside Missionary Baptist Youth Fundraiser "Race Towards a Mission" will begin at 8 a.m. with a Fun Run at the church. There will be a 5K at 8:30 a.m., a photo booth and face painting. Register online at www.active.com or call 393-6150 for a race application. Prizes will be available for the winner of every age group.

Pine Grove Baptist Church will celebrate "Annual Women's Day" at 11 a.m. Guest speaker will be Sister Lillie M. Norton of Mt. Canaan Baptist Church.

Excel to the Top (a community-wide youth extravaganza) for kids age 12 and older will be from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Central Community Center, 5500 Hwy 531., Dubberly. Free breakfast, lunch and registration with breakfast/registration from 9 a.m. until 10 a.m. This event is sponsored by Marilyn Wallace.

Pine Grove Baptist Church will hold its first leadership workshop from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Registration is from 8 until 9 a.m. Worship speakers include the Rev. James Smith and Sister Rashunda Myles of Galilee Baptist Church in Dubberly, Sister Rosie Horne of Saint Joe Baptist Church in Rayville and Sister Ophelia Green of Greater St. Paul Baptist Church in Minden.

#### Monday, April 27-Wednesday, April 29

Annual youth revival, 7 p.m. each night at Mt. Comfort Baptist Church. Guest speaker will be Minister Brian Jackson of Union Springs Baptist Church in Shreveport. Theme is "Doing What My Parents Say." All are invited.

#### Saturday, May 2

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## SPORTS briefs

### BASKETBALL

#### Minden High Basketball Banquet tonight

The Minden High basketball banquet will be held tonight at 6 p.m. in the Minden High School cafeteria.

The banquet will honor the achievements of both the Crimson Tide and Lady Tiders, with guest speaker Jacques Mitchell slated to address the crowd.

### BASEBALL

#### Panthers play DH today at home

With inclement weather once again expected to dot the area, the Doyline Panthers had their game with Dodson moved up to today.

Additionally, instead of one game, Doyline and Dodson will play a doubleheader.

First pitch for game one is set for 4 p.m. at Panther Park.

### NBA

#### Clips crush Spurs in Game one of series

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Blake Griffin accelerated through the paint and threw down a vicious dunk right on Aron Baynes' head in the third quarter. A few minutes later, Griffin did it again to the same poor San Antonio center.

After three years of early-round failures, the Los Angeles Clippers are hungry for their first major taste of postseason success. As Griffin proved, they'll jump all over the defending champion Spurs as many times as necessary to advance.

Chris Paul scored 32 points, Griffin added 26 points and 12 rebounds, and the Clippers surged in the second half for a 107-92 victory Sunday night in their first-round series opener.

Jamal Crawford added 17 points as the Clippers stayed comfortably ahead down the stretch, meeting the defending champs' challenge to start off a difficult postseason-opening matchup for two powerful teams.

"They're still the defending champs, and they're going to be the defending champs every night," Clippers coach Doc Rivers said. "We have a lot of confidence in our team, but you just have to stay humble and respect who you're playing."

Game 2 is Wednesday night.

Paul and Griffin took control in the third quarter with a 24-10 run. Griffin got his roof-raising, back-to-back dunks off pick-and-roll plays, throwing down in vintage Lob City style after avoiding some acrobatic dunks this season to protect his health.

Kawhi Leonard scored 18 points for the Spurs, who had won the opening game in their previous 11 playoff series. Tim Duncan had 11 points and 11 rebounds, but the Spurs couldn't rally from their hefty second-half deficit.

## HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

# WEEKEND WARRIORS



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**BLAKE BRANCH**  
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The Lakeside Warriors played two games over the weekend, winning both and moving their record to 15-8 on the year.

In their first game Friday night, Lakeside used a big first inning to set the tone and got a great outing from Luke Griffith on the mound to carry them to the 8-0 victory.

Josh Prince provided the big blast, sending a three run shot over the left field fence to make it 3-0 in the first.

Jake Gray added an RBI double to round out the four run frame.

The Warriors got single runs in the second and third off wild pitches, and Mangham could never get dialed in versus Griffith.

Griffith went five innings, gave up no runs, two hits and struck out six batters while walking four.

Logan Clark finished 3-3 at the plate with two singles, a double and a RBI to lead the Warriors.

Prince finished 1-4 with three RBI thanks to his first inning blast, Jake

Gray was 1-4 with an RBI double, Coulson White was 2-2 with two singles, Luke Griffith legged out a triple and Braydon Jones and Frankie added singles.

Jones also pitched the final two innings to earn the save, allowing no hits or runs.

### Lakeside vs. Haynesville

On Saturday, the Warriors took on the Haynesville Golden Tornado, defeating the visitors from Claiborne Parish 11-1.

Lakeside's bats were hot once again, especially at the top of the lineup where Logan Clark and Coulson White combined to go 7-8 with four RBI.

Jake Gray had an RBI double in the first to get the Warriors going and Lakeside would never trail.

In the second the Warriors did most of their damage with Clark, White, Tanner Page and Luke Griffith all driving in RBI's.

Thomas Lambert capped the surge with a 2-RBI double.

On the hill, Trent Geis got the start and pitched well, going three innings, striking out five, giving up two hits and allowing no runs.

Braydon Jones and Josh Prince combined to relieve Geis and finish off the five inning contest.

## HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS

# Glenbrook Netters impress against Riverfield

Special to the Press-Herald

The Glenbrook Apache Netters returned to the courts last Thursday, hosting their district foe the Riverfield Raiders.

"I was pleased to see our girls play well," said coach Wayne Orr. "They took charge of the matches and did not allow unforced errors to deter their desire to retain a district championship."

We were without two of our key players, but the younger and inexperienced players kept us in a winning position."

### Girls Singles

The two reigning district representatives met in the No. 1 position.

Amelia Christy defeated Sofie Heath 6-0, 6-0.

"Amelia simply used her experience, athletic ability, consistent serve and court awareness to keep her opponent of the

defense and capitalize on her unforced errors," Orr said.

### Girls Doubles

The duo of Bridget Cone and Abigail Gilbert defeated Kyie and Caroline Mills 3-6, 6-3, 1-0.

"We started the first match sluggishly," Orr said. "But stringing a couple of games together at the end of the first set gave us a degree of momentum."

After the evening set scores, we took the first four points of the tiebreak and maintained the advantage in earning the title."

### Boys Singles

The Apaches No. 1, Schuyler Powell, was defeated by Travis Rawls 7-6, 6-2, 1-0.

"This was a closely-contested match as each player kept the ball in play, scrambled for shots and attempted to exact error from his opponent," Orr said.

### Boys Doubles

John Curtis Brown partnered with Justin Le at the No. 1 contest and defeated Nate Stansbury and Turner Bridges 6-0, 6-2.

"J.C.'s regular partner was ill," Orr said. "But Justin, a second-year Apache, stepped in and contributed to the win."

### Mixed Doubles

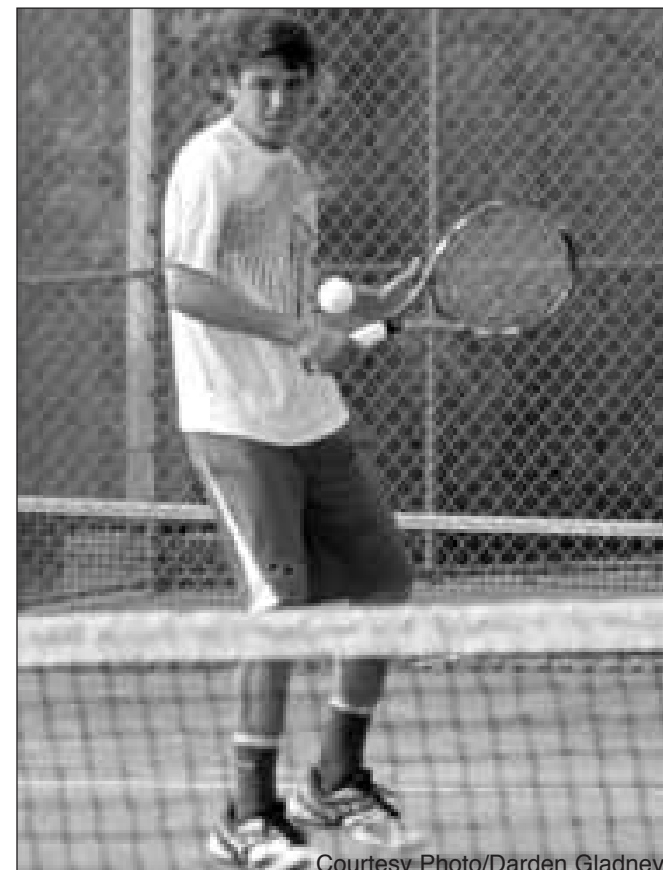
Lexie Martin and Graham Lemoine were defeated 6-2, 7-5.

"This was an exciting match to watch," Orr said. "It featured some excellent serving, timely volleys and several well-placed ground strokes."

### Extra Boys Singles

Glenbrook's Beau Branch was defeated by Jonah Sharbona 6-4, 3-6, 1-0.

"Both of these guys are first-year players," Orr said. "Our boys are gaining experience fueled by desire."



Courtesy Photo/Darden Gladney

## NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

# Tim Tebow expected to sign with Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — It's Tebow Time in the City of Brotherly Love.

Tim Tebow is expected to sign a one-year contract with the Eagles on Monday, according to three people familiar with the deal. The people spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity Sunday because the contract hasn't been finalized.

Tebow hasn't played in the NFL since 2012 with the New York Jets. He was

released by the New England Patriots before the 2013 season and spent last year working in television as an analyst for the SEC Network and ESPN.

Despite being out of the league, the 27-year-old Tebow remained one of the most popular players around. He has a legion of fans who follow him because of his strong Christian beliefs.

The former Heisman Trophy winner led Florida

to two national titles and was a first-round pick by Denver in 2010. He started 16 games during two seasons with the Broncos, including a playoff victory over Pittsburgh in January 2012. Tebow was traded to the Jets after Denver signed Peyton Manning.

The 27-year-old Tebow joins quarterbacks Sam Bradford, Mark Sanchez, Matt Barkley and G.J. Kinne on Philadelphia's roster. The addition of

Tebow would be the latest move in a stunning offseason for coach Chip Kelly. He traded Nick Foles, LeSean McCoy and allowed Jeremy Maclin to leave in free agency.

Tebow worked out for the Eagles last month and Kelly later said he's always "been a fan of Tim."

Tebow had some success in Denver, but his inaccurate passing and lack of pocket presence was an issue. His strength has

been running the ball or improvising. Tebow has completed just 47.9 percent of his passes for 2,422 yards, 17 touchdowns and nine interceptions. He has 989 yards rushing, a 5.0 average yards per carry and 12 TDs.

Tebow worked with former major league pitcher Tom House on improving his mechanics. He joins the Eagles in time to start their offseason program this week.

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# Lambert wins 4, but Luke Bryan takes top prize at ACM Awards

ARLINGTON, Texas — Miranda Lambert won four awards, including album and song of the year, but the singer lost the night's top prize to Luke Bryan at Sunday's Academy of Country Music Awards.

It was a repeat of the Country Music Association Awards in November, where Lambert won multiple prizes but lost the big award to Bryan.

"Listen guys, what an amazing night of music," an excited Bryan said onstage after winning the fan-voted award. "Thank you to my wife, my kids ... my fans, country radio."

Lambert was the sole female nominated for entertainer of the year; other nominees included Garth Brooks, Jason Aldean and Florida Georgia Line, who won two awards Sunday at the AT&T Stadium.

Though she lost the top prize — again — Lambert was the queen of the night. She was on a red-hot winning streak — and she even rocked a red-hot bustier when she performed "Little Red Wagon."

Lambert won her fourth album of the year, her sixth female vocalist of the year and her third single record of the year (she won twice this year as a performer and songwriter of "Automatic.")

"I don't even realize what's happening tonight," Lambert said. "I love my job so much. I will never not love my job."

Lambert, a fashion favorite in the last year, wowed again in a flowing, plunging dress on the red carpet. Inside the venue, she wore white pants and a white top with a black sheer center. She also accepted the 50th Anniversary Milestone Award, given to her by Reese Witherspoon and Sofia Vergara (Lambert wrote a song for their new film, "Hot Pursuit.")

It was also a memorable night for Taylor Swift, who made it a



Luke Bryan performs at "ACM Presents: Superstar Duets" on Friday at Globe Life Park in Arlington, Texas. Bryan won the top prize Sunday at the Academy of County Music Awards. Courtesy Photo

family affair.

The singer was one of seven recipients of the Milestone Award, and a video package highlighting her career and success played before her mother, who recently announced she is battling cancer, presented her daughter with the award.

"I am a very proud mom," said Andrea Swift, who also called her daughter "brave enough to explore her musical curiosity."

"I am so happy I learned how to write songs in a town like Nashville," said Swift, who released her first full-blown pop album, "1989," last year.

The former country singer, who sat next to her father Scott Swift, danced along in typical form, especially when Lambert and Martina McBride performed.

Other recipients of the

anniversary honor include Brooks, Reba McEntire, Brooks & Dunn, Kenny Chesney and George Strait, who performed near the beginning of the show.

The ACMs kicked off paying tribute to veteran Merle Haggard by Keith Urban and Eric Church, while Strait sang "All My Ex's Live in Texas" — appropriate for the awards show celebrating its 50th anniversary in a new location, the Dallas Cowboys Stadium in Arlington, Texas.

Shelton and Bryan were playful as hosts — and they even played some football. Shelton asked Cowboys quarterback Tony Romo to throw the ball to Bryan, who was wearing gloves.

"This isn't one of those deflated balls?" Shelton said after Bryan caught the ball, referencing the deflategate scandal earlier this year.

Shelton announced that the — usually held in Las Vegas — set a Guinness World Record for most attended live awards show of all-time.

Shelton and Bryan performed, too. Christina Aguilera joined Rascal Flatts and Nick Jonas sang with the country duo Dan + Shay.

Brooks' performance of "All American Kind" marked a sentimental moment since it included U.S. soldiers standing proudly.

"I'd like ... to thank all of our men and women in the armed forces ... protecting our freedom," Brooks said when he received the Milestone Award from Taya Kyle, the wife of the late "American Sniper" Chris Kyle.

Lee Brice sang some of "Forever and Ever, Amen" and then called out Randy Travis, who was sitting in the audience

and earned a rousing applause. Brice won single record of the year for "I Don't Dance," which he also produced.

"This is insane. Thank y'all so much," he said.

Little Big Town had one of the night's top performances when they slowed things down with their recent hit, the semi-controversial "Girl Crush." They won vocal group of the year, and Cole Swindell won new artist of the year.

Dierks Bentley, who had seven nominations, won video of the year for "Drunk on a Plane"; Aldean won male vocalist of the year.

Other performers included Brooks & Dunn, Braid Paisley and Alan Jackson.

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  - 13 Puncturing tool
  - 14 Leave out
  - 15 Creche trio
  - 16 Sticky stuff
  - 17 Ancient letter
  - 18 Sub
  - 20 LummoX
  - 22 Afternoon affair
  - 24 Soul
  - 28 Watch the kids
  - 32 Moral principle
  - 33 Grad
  - 34 Treasure seeker's aid
  - 36 Long lunch?
  - 37 Helvetica lack
  - 39 Inhabitant
- DOWN**
- 1 Road warning sign
  - 2 Some-where out there
  - 3 "Fugged-aboutit"
  - 4 Binge
  - 5 MPs' quarry
  - 6 High-arc baseball pitch
  - 7 Ali Baba's foes
  - 8 Flightless bird
  - 9 Bronze component
  - 10 Noshed on
  - 12 Lesley Stahl's show
  - 19 Thumbs-up
  - 21 Employ
  - 23 Intention
  - 25 At so-and-so's house (Fr.)
  - 26 Take on
  - 27 Janet Yellen's field (Abbr.)
  - 28 Hit hard
  - 29 Sheltered
  - 30 "Ironsides" star
  - 31 Slight amount
  - 35 Church seat
  - 38 Newton ingredient
  - 40 Born
  - 42 Apportion
  - 45 Show boredom
  - 47 On in years
  - 48 Carvey or Delany
  - 49 Vortex
  - 50 A Bush
  - 51 Raw rock
  - 52 Cover
  - 54 Favorite

Solution time: 26 mins.

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