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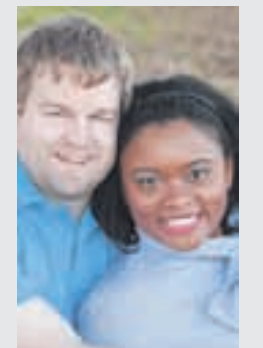
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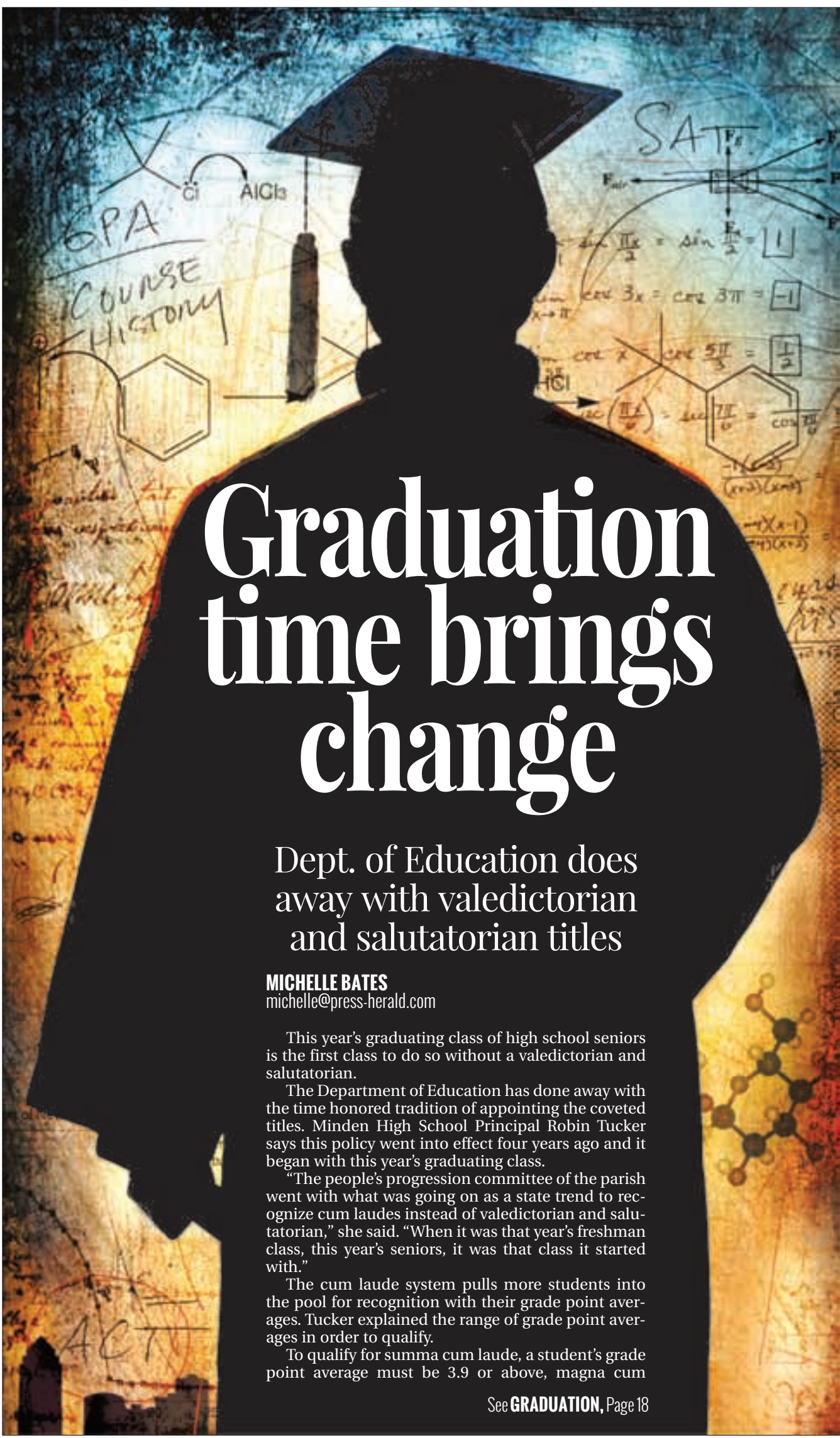
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## Graduation time brings change

### Dept. of Education does away with valedictorian and salutatorian titles

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This year's graduating class of high school seniors is the first class to do so without a valedictorian and salutatorian.

The Department of Education has done away with the time honored tradition of appointing the coveted titles. Minden High School Principal Robin Tucker says this policy went into effect four years ago and it began with this year's graduating class.

"The people's progression committee of the parish went with what was going on as a state trend to recognize cum laudes instead of valedictorian and salutatorian," she said. "When it was that year's freshman class, this year's seniors, it was that class it started with."

The cum laude system pulls more students into the pool for recognition with their grade point averages. Tucker explained the range of grade point averages in order to qualify.

To qualify for summa cum laude, a student's grade point average must be 3.9 or above, magna cum

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MINDEN CRIME

## Kool-Aid theft leads to man's arrest

Suspect accused of stealing drink mix, seasoning from store

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A Minden man found himself in trouble with police for reportedly stealing a couple of packets of Kool-Aid and a container of seasoning from a local grocery store.



**BREWER**

Kenneth Brewer, 30, of the 500 block of Sugar Creek Road, was arrested by Minden Police Tuesday, May 12, and charged with possession of Schedule III CDS, resisting an officer, misdemeanor theft of goods and simple criminal damage to property. Bond was set at \$8,750.

Police Chief Steve Cropper says Sgt. Ryan Barnette and Officer Mitch Hackett responded to the call, and when they arrived, a store employee was blocking the exit after observing Brewer putting items into his pockets.

"The store employee called the police and indicated what had happened," Cropper said. "When officers went to arrest him he began resisting. They got one handcuff on him and he began to pull away. They finally got him handcuffed and got him to the car."

When they got to the patrol unit, Cropper says

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CONTINUING COVERAGE | ALLEGED ABUSE AT BDCC

## Former inmate speaks out on BDCC claims

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A former inmate of Bayou Dorcheat Correctional Center is speaking out about the prison he once called home for six years.

Dale Argo, who was released about a year ago, says with all the media coverage of the alleged abuse at the prison, he wanted to share his story and experiences, saying they are not a true picture of life there.

He also defended Warden John Lewis, who he says is a Godly man, a man who cares about every inmate who serves their sentences there. Lewis is affectionately known as "Big John" by many at BDCC.

"It's just like any job you go to," he said. "You're going to have days where you're in a good mood and days where you're in a bad mood. Since I was there, I never saw a guard hit anybody. He would not put up with that. I'm not building the man up to be a saint,

I'm just telling you what I've seen."

He didn't deny the video footage he'd seen on the news, but he said he never seen anything of that magnitude while he was there.

"I don't know what happened with this deal on TV, but all I can tell you is how (Lewis) has helped me," he said. "From an inmate's point of view, I have never seen anybody pushed around or guards grab

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Dale Argo is a former inmate of Bayou Dorcheat Correctional Center. He says life at the prison is not as it has been recently portrayed in the news media. Michelle Bates/Press-Herald

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LOUISIANA LEGISLATURE

## Budget gets a boost from improved revenue forecast

MELINDA DESLATTÉ  
Associated Press

BATON ROUGE — Struggling to close hefty budget shortfalls, lawmakers got an assist Thursday when the state income estimating panel added nearly \$179 million to two years of financial forecasts.

Action from the Revenue Estimating Conference was a welcome change for Gov. Bobby Jindal's administration and lawmakers. In the past year, the forecasting panel has made multiple downgrades to financial projections that forced cuts and short-term budget fixes.

"It's finally good news. There's some indications things are getting better in our state," said Senate President John Alario, R-Westwego, a member of the conference. "Unfortunately, it's not quick enough, not fast enough, but at least we're not going backward."

The forecasting panel boosted the state general fund fore-

cast for the budget year that ends June 30 by \$99.4 million and for next year by \$79.3 million.

"It's a good day, helps us close the gap," said House Speaker Chuck Kleckley, R-Lake Charles, another conference member.

Although some of the money was tied to improved expectations for corporate and sales tax collections, a sizable portion of the new money — \$74 million — comes from a one-time, excess balance in an insurance reserve fund identified by Insurance Commissioner Jim Donelon. Donelon said lawmakers also will need to make a change in state law to spend the money.

The first draw on this year's extra cash is an estimated \$56 million for gaps in the state public school financing formula, the TOPS free college tuition program, Medicaid services and reimbursement for local sheriffs who house state prisoners in parish jails.

But the remaining money could be used to help close next year's budget shortfall, along with other patchwork funds the conference identified as available for spending.

The House made tax changes that could offset about 70 percent of the list of needs identified by House leaders for next year's budget. That still leaves sizable gaps topping at least \$200 million — much in health care programs, but also in state parks, museums and agricultural services.

Without additional dollars, the LSU privatization deals are short of what the hospital operators say they need to continue providing the current level of services to the poor and uninsured who rely on the facilities.

In addition, LSU's medical schools in New Orleans and Shreveport would be left with millions of dollars in insurance and retiree costs from the privatization deals that medical school leaders say could leave

them teetering on the edge of bankruptcy.

How lawmakers plan to spend the newly recognized money will become clearer next week, when the House votes on bills to rebalance this year's budget and to set state government spending plans for next year.

The four-member forecasting panel includes Alario, Kleckley, Gov. Bobby Jindal's chief budget adviser Kristy Nichols and independent LSU economist Jim Richards. Changes to the forecast must be unanimous. The adjustments stem from estimates made by economists who work for the Legislature and the governor's administration.



## INMATE

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them unless the guard is provoked. When I say provoked, I mean spitting on them or push them or physically threaten them. I can honestly say I have never seen that man even closely condone what they showed on TV."

Tommy O'Rear, an instructor at BDCC who teaches self-help classes like anger management and parenting on Sunday nights, says Lewis is the epitome of what a warden should be.

He says Webster Parish is fortunate to have a warden like Lewis, because of the programs and services offered at BDCC.

Argo says that while it's still prison, the inmates are treated with respect, and it's a lesson Lewis shares with inmates and guards alike.

"When I tell you that he actually cares about everybody in there, he actually does," Argo said. "He and his wife actually care about what goes on in there. Besides having the classes and gaining the knowledge, they (inmates) get good time for it."

Good time is when an inmate gets time off his sentence for attending

these classes. They have homework and are tested in these courses. If they don't pass the class, they don't get the good time.

Argo says it pains Lewis to see a repeat offender return to prison, saying it actually hurts him. He doesn't get mad, he says.

"You can ask him about any one of these guys out of 400 and something people, and he can tell you something about them," Argo said.

O'Rear says Lewis is strict, but it's not out of brute force, it's out of respect.

As a trustee, Argo worked at the chapel for four of his six year sentence. He says all the services and classes are offered to both the men at BDCC

and the women housed on the fourth floor at the Webster Parish Courthouse.

"It's to prepare the inmates for when they get out," O'Rear, who teaches the men's classes, said. "It's to prepare them to get back into life. There are 90 men in these classes, and all these men love the Lord. These inmates are very concerned about their children and grandchildren and they want to be good examples."

Argo and O'Rear talked about the chapel that was built at BDCC, saying it was built totally through the generous hearts of churches and community members. Without Lewis, they say, the chapel would not be a reality.

(The State of

Louisiana or nobody paid for that chapel," Argo said. "That was all donated. Sheriff (Gary) Sexton and Big John should be known for that. You can go to other places and you never see a church. Ms. Kellye (Lewis' wife) and Tommy

could be making money, but they go out there for nothing, and why? Because of him (Lewis).

"The best way I can put it is this," he continued. "When you go there, you broke the law. You should be man enough to say I did

it, and I'm going to do (my time). You can go to church every day. You can go to classes. He's got a GED program out there now. He's trying to make us, when we walk out of there, be better in the community."

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OBITUARIES

## Melvin Wayne Douglas Sr.

To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under the heaven.

### "A Time to be Born"

Melvin Wayne Douglas Sr. was born April 11, 1943 to the late Ardis Douglas Sr. and the late Bertha Richardson Douglas.

### "A Time to Die"

He left his earthly home May 11, 2015 at his residence.

### "A Time to Plant"

Melvin accepted Christ as his personal Savior at an early age. He later rededicated his life to Christ and joined Camp Zion Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor Kenneth Dotson.

### "A Time to Laugh"

On Sept. 1, 1985 he met the love of his life Carolyn Morgan. In this relationship, two children were born. On April 14, 2001, they united in holy matrimony.

### "A Time to Reflect"

He was employed by Evergreen Presbyterian Ministries. He is preceded in death by his sister, Ruth Ferrell; brothers, Ardis Douglas Jr., James Douglas and Leonard Douglas Sr.

### "A Time of Peace"

He leaves to cherish his memories his loving wife; Carolyn M. Douglas; sons, Michael (Rhonda) Douglas, Charles (Tina) Douglas, Melvin (Carolyn) Douglas Jr., Ronald (Velma) Douglas, Aldric Morgan (Ashley Allen), and Kedrick Morgan (Josilyn Bowman); sisters, Addie Jones



DOUGLAS

(Haughton) and Glenel Woods (Dallas); brothers A. C. Douglas (Doyline), John L. Douglas (Shreveport), Clarence (Nancy) Douglas (Beaumont, Texas) and Freddie Douglas (Haughton); 15 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and other relatives and friends.

## J. D. Hampton Jr.

J. D. Hampton Jr. was born April 1, 1935 to the late J. D. and Rosie Hampton.

He was married to the late Dorothy L. Brown Hampton.

He served in the United States Army. He worked at the International Paper Mill and later became self-employed with his own business in Minden.

J.D. Hampton was the first minority to become a mayoral candidate in the city of Minden. In 1966, he became a civil rights leader and activist.

He is preceded in death by his mother, father and wife.

He leaves to cherish his memories, one son, Vincent Hampton; two daughters: Beverly McClerklin (husband Adrain), and Sherri Lewis; three grandsons, Jerrod (wife Tina) Lewis, Jerrell Lewis and Jalen McClerklin; two great-grandchildren, Jayda and Jabari Lewis (twins); and a host of loving sisters, brothers, nieces, nephews, cousins, and other relatives and friends.



HAMPTON

## Velma Roberts Harr

Funeral services for Velma Roberts Harr will be at 2 p.m., Saturday, May 16, 2015, at Love Chapel United Methodist Church in Haughton with the Rev. Jean Sanders officiating. Interment will follow at Point Chapel Cemetery under the direction of Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden. The family will receive friends at 1 p.m., Saturday, May 16, 2015, at the church.

Velma was born Feb. 24, 1945, in Shreveport and entered into rest May 13, 2015, in Doyline.

She was preceded in death by sister Irma Lee Roberts Wilson, brothers Robert Vincent Roberts Jr., Charles E. Roberts, and Billy Ray Roberts

She is survived by her husband, Jerry Harr of Doyline; son, Dennis Harr and wife Grace of Shreveport; daughter, Becky Wilt and husband Rick of Phoenix, Arizona; sisters, Lois Rowe of East Berlin, Pennsylvania, Verna Dean Peterson and husband the Rev. David Peterson of Homer; brother, Jack Cranford and wife Marceil of Homer; grandchildren Matthew and Nathan Harr, Robin McFadden and husband Max and Rachel Wilt and great-grandchild Lucille Ann McFadden.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Love Chapel United Methodist Church Children's Ministry, Haughton, Louisiana.



HARR

## Charles L. 'Chuck' Potts

Funeral services for Charles L. "Chuck" Potts will be at 1 p.m., Saturday, May 16, 2015, at Rose-Neath Funeral Home Chapel in Minden with the Rev. Dee Anders officiating. Interment will follow at Pleasant Valley Cemetery in Minden. The family will receive friends from 5 until 8 p.m., Friday, May 15, 2015, at Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden.

Charles was born June 23, 1954, in Shreveport and entered into rest May 13, 2015, in Shreveport. He was a member of Sheppard Heights Assembly of God where he played the bass guitar and sang. He was an avid fisherman and also sang at the VFW. Although Chuck had no children, he helped raise many nieces, nephews, and other children.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Doris "Dot" Potts; mother, Nellie Cade; stepfather, Benjamin H. Cade; and father, Floyd Potts.

He is survived by his wife, Kathy Potts of Minden; brothers, Jimmy Potts of Minden, Johnny Potts and Dodie of Hallsville, Texas, Guy Cade and Karen of Minden; sisters, Rosemary Jones of Overton, Texas, Geneva Gill of Hallsville, Texas; stepsons Cody Weeks of Minden, Clint Godwin of Minden; and numerous nieces, nephews; and friends.



POTTS

## Pilgram United Methodist Church anniversary

Pilgram U.M.C. will have its anniversary services at 2:30 p.m., Sunday. The featured guest will be Louisiana Baptist Church.

## Homer Police Department seeking reserve officers

The Homer Police Department is seeking individuals interested in applying to be a reserve officer. For more information and to obtain an application, contact Homer Police Department Officer Johnnie Hough, Police Chief Russell Mills by phone at 318-927-4001, email at homerpolice9@gmail.com or stop by the Homer Police Department at 400 East Main St. in Homer.

## ARREST

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Brewer pulled away from the officer again and turned "and got chest to chest with the officer."

"The two officers had to pin him up against the car," he said. "They did a pat down and that's when they found some type of pill wrapped up in plastic inside a cigarette pack."

Cropper says he denied ownership of the pill, which was later determined to be a Schedule III narcotic. The criminal damage charge came from when Brewer allegedly dented the car while resisting causing roughly \$1,200 worth of damage.

"Once he got inside the car, he began to kick the barrier between the seats," he said.

Cropper says he also admitted to drinking some beer.

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# OPINION

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EDITORIAL ROUND UP

## The Advocate on the state budget

"It's a complex process with a lot of moving parts." Wiser words were never spoken by Gov. Bobby Jindal, who viewed with apparent calm a revolt against his budget plans in the state House of Representatives.

Depending on the count, about \$600 million to \$700 million in reduced tax credits and exemptions, and a small increase in the cigarette tax (\$68 million) are part of the House's plans to fill the holes in Jindal's incomplete budget.

Such independence of thought among lawmakers is new, albeit forced on members by the consequences of Jindal's proposed cuts to universities and to health care.

Better to trim back tax credits and exemptions than face a collapse in higher education or fail to open the gleaming new hospital in New Orleans, or other serious consequences of the Jindal budget ...

The moving parts are one issue. The raft of revenue-raisers have to go to the Senate, whose President John Alario, of Westwego, is the acknowledged master of the dark legislative arts. He seeks to reconcile the governor's doctrinaire opposition to most of the House-passed bills with the need for revenue to plug the budget holes.

We do not know if that is possible. Even if it is mathematically possible, the moving parts will require a remarkable level of cooperation among members of the House and Senate, the business lobbyists with such great influence and a governor who is prone to use his veto pen to burnish his anti-tax credentials on the national stage.

Even with the lobbyists swarming, the House votes were a revolt against business as usual. The governor's calm reflects an awareness that he still holds aces in his hand.

The problem for the state is that a budget structured along Jindal's original proposal would be a catastrophe for Louisiana communities and our future. It's high stakes and not just a game of cards.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Rule of law

To the Editor:

There's a lot of talk in the so-called news these days, the subject is with the NFL, the possible deflation of the football. So far no facts discovered, only guessing, trying to stir up more controversy in the already troubled NFL.

Yes, we have rules, our American "Rule of Law," however when our rule of law is not enforced properly, when it's overlooked in many more serious places. Such as, truth in politics, truth and our military, active duty, where is the promise of our US government in supporting our veterans, especially our wounded veterans.

Why is the media so intense, so involved with the NFL, the air pressure in a football? I believe our rule of law works when applied evenly, like our US politics, backing, supporting our law enforcement agencies and of course when applied evenly, apparently in our military. Combat deserters are not honorable, our military has the book on this regulation, let them use it. Our rule of law needs to begin at the top.

Jack L. Daniels

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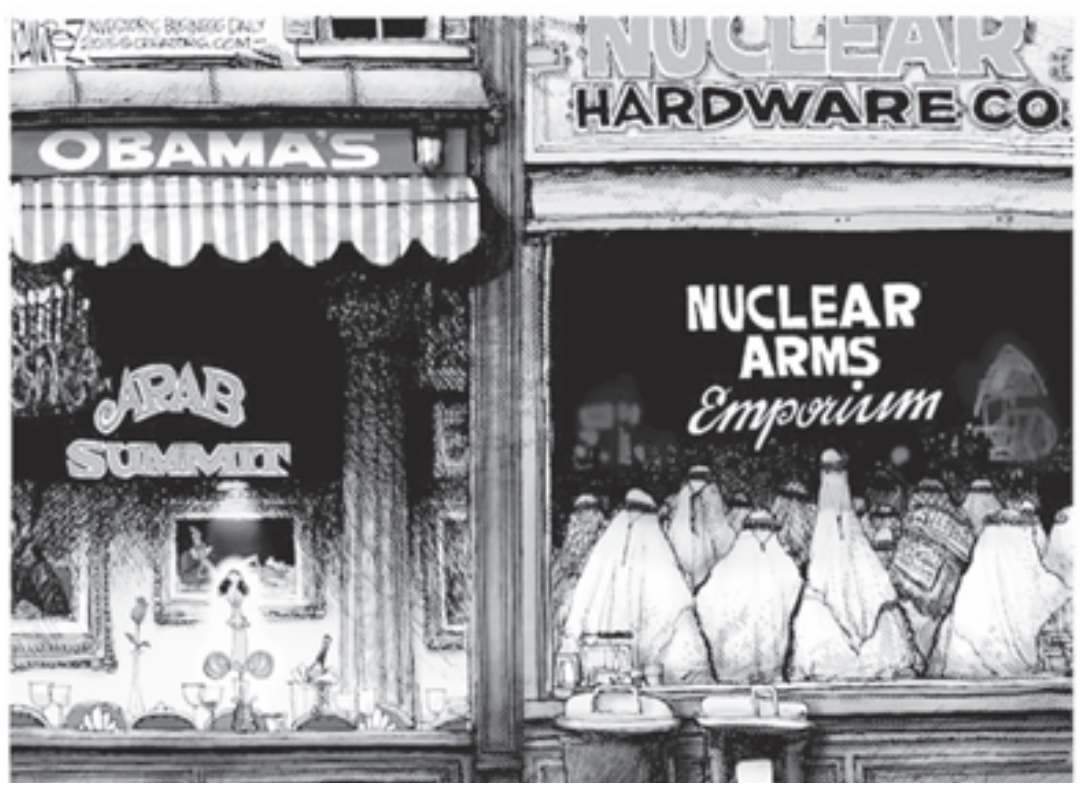
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PERSPECTIVE

# Whither faith?

A new study is comforting to some, downright alarming to others. Pew Research, the highly-respected polling outfit, questioned tens of thousands of Americans about their religious faith and affiliation.

The most striking finding: Christianity is in a steep and secular decline, pardon the pun. Only about 70% of Americans now identify themselves as Christians, a drop of 8 percentage points from just seven years ago.

So, where did all those missing Christians go? They have not converted to Judaism, Hinduism, Buddhism, or any other religious "ism." No, they have basically dismissed religion altogether.



BILL O'REILLY

The biggest increase in the survey was among Americans who describe themselves as atheist, agnostic, or "nothing in particular." Pew researchers characterized the trend as nothing less than "astounding."

That cheering you hear is coming from the left, home to "progressives" who agree with Karl Marx's odious comparison between religion and opium. Marx, whose theories led to more deaths than anyone in human history, added this: "The abolition of religion as the illusory happiness of the people is required for their real happiness."

One slight problem is that Marx was dead wrong, as he was about pretty much everything. Social scientists uni-

versally find a powerful correlation between belief in God and worldly contentment.

But when a nation loses its religious bearings, there is something far more important at stake than human happiness. It's illustrated in a famous quote often attributed to the brilliant British writer and thinker G. K. Chesterton, who converted to Roman Catholicism while in his late 40s.

"When men choose not to believe in God," he reportedly said, "they do not believe in nothing ... they become capable of believing in anything."

At the extremes, Chesterton's warning was illustrated by the Nazis, who replaced God with the god of racial purity, and the communists, who worshipped at the altar of radical egalitarianism.

Of course, our own anti-religionists are much more benign. They often proclaim their deep faith in environmentalism, wealth redistribution, the welfare state, feminism, or the eternal pursuit of individual gratification.

These trendy causes and movements come and go, but the human need to believe in something - anything - is a constant throughout history. And the greatest, most free, most optimistic nation ever created was founded by men who firmly believed in Judeo-Christian principles.

Scholars debate whether Washington, Jefferson, Franklin, and the others were deeply religious men, and whether the Constitution omitted God for a reason. That may be interesting to academics, but what really matters is that the Founding Fathers formed a nation

uniquely based on Christian principles.

The present decline of Christianity is good news to the swells. You know, the Hollywood types who routinely mock the faithful, and the editorial page writers who have never set foot in a church except when taking in the sights on their European vacations.

Let's face it, atheism is kind of chic. Book stores and Kindles feature popular authors who declare that "God is Not Great," and "God is a Delusion." The secular press heaps praise on these books, while the authors are in great demand on the talk show circuit.

But it's an ominous trend to those who believe America has a special and exceptional place among nations. The Judeo-Christian traditions that have been an integral part of America's greatness are withering away. That is not a cause for celebration, but for deep mourning.

John Lennon famously urged us to "imagine no religion," and touted the notion of "all the people living for today." Well, that dream of the secularists is slowly coming true, and millions of Americans are in fact living for today.

It is not a pretty sight to watch religious faith withering before our eyes, being replaced by rank self-gratification. Pardon the expression, but may God help us.

Bill O'Reilly is a talk show host on Fox News. His column runs on Friday in the Minden Press-Herald.

EDITORIAL ROUND UP

## American Press on graduation season

In the next few weeks, thousands of Southwest Louisiana students will graduate, moving from high school to college and from college into the so-called real world.

Graduation is a time of celebration — celebration of students' accomplishments, celebration of making it through years of school, and celebration of the beginning of another chapter in young lives.

Graduation isn't so much a certificate as it is recognition of moving from one step in life to another, taking lessons learned and applying them toward a new opportunity.

Graduation may seem like an ending, but it's actually just the beginning. Education doesn't stop after you graduate.

"You're not going to get very far in life based on what you already know," said philanthropist Charlie Munger in a 2007 commencement address at the University of California Law School. "You're going to advance in life by what you're going to learn after you leave here."

Where to from here? The answer to that question is as varied as the students who make up this year's graduating class.

Here's a bit of advice for you that is universal:

Live your life with integrity. Have some kind of vision for your life, even if you don't know the plan.

Accept failure and learn from it. Bequeath to the next generation a world better than the one you were handed.

And last but not least, thank those who paved the way for you — your parents included. As most graduating students know it takes family support to make it through to graduation. That might include helping with homework, more often includes them cheering in the stands at extracurricular activities and always includes financial support.

We have all heard the saying "it takes a village to raise a child" but we also must understand that good children grow up to be good people and make a village strong. Education is a part of that process, but how you use your education is the key to not only your success, but the success of any good community. We congratulate the class of 2015 and welcome them into our village.

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ENGAGEMENT

## English – Scott engaged to marry



Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Foster of Edmond, Oklahoma are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, English Elise Foster to Scott Edward Runyan, both of Fort Worth, Texas.

English is a 2006 graduate of Bishop McGuinness Catholic High School in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and a 2010 graduate of the University of Missouri. She earned a degree in journalism and was a member of the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority.

Scott is a 2007 graduate of Midland High School in Midland, Texas and a 2011 graduate of Oklahoma University. He earned a degree in English and was a member of Beta Epsilon Chi fraternity. Scott will graduate from Texas Christian University this month with a Master of Education in Educational Leadership.

English and Scott are both employed with the Fort Worth Independent School District.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mrs. Gladys McGee of Minden and the late Robert Paul McGee, Jr. of Natchez, Mississippi and Mrs. Ollie Foster and the late Clovis Foster of Shreveport, Louisiana. English is the great-granddaughter of the late Fannie Parker and Charlie Parker of Minden.

The groom-elect is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Runyan of Midland, Texas. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Runyan and the late Mr. and Mrs. William F. Josting, all of Midland, Texas. Scott is the great-grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. James R. Smith (Ella Mae and Jimmy) of Minden.

The couple is planning a June wedding in Weatherford, Texas.

## Around Town

### Sunday, May 17

Blue Run Baptist Church's annual usher's program will be at 2:30 p.m. Special guest will be New Light Baptist Church's Rev. Asby Glossom.

Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church of Sibley will celebrate the church's 115th anniversary at 2:30 p.m. Guest speaker will be the Rev. Thomas Ridley of St. Matthew Baptist Church of Ringgold.

Hopewell Baptist Church's "Unveiling of the Chair" will take place at noon. Special guest will be Pastor James E. Smith and Galilee Missionary Baptist Church.

Mt Comfort Baptist Church's annual community homecoming celebration at 2:30 pm. The Rev. Rhone and St. John Divine Baptist Church of Heflin will be the special guest.

The Youth of Longspring COGIC will host a youth program at 3 pm. Guest Speaker will be Stephanie Owens of New Friendship Baptist Church.

Mt. Olive Baptist Church will host a men's and women's day program at 11:30 a.m. Guest speakers are Evangelist Elaine Brooks and Deacon Donald Joseph.

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Left, Gavin Smith (second team outfield), Gunner Stephens (first team infield), Trace Francis (first team pitcher), Matt Eskew (first team catcher) and Peyton Gray (second team infield) were chosen to represent the Crimson Tide on the district 1-4A All-District baseball team. Right, Miliyah Newman (left) was chosen as a second team all-district outfielder and Antasia Rhodes was selected a second team infielder for the Lady Tigers. Press-Herald Photo/Blake Branch

### LITTLE LEAGUE

## Kennon Krushers, Southern Stone get big wins

#### Darlings

**Kennon Krushers 10**  
**Global Pressure 2**

Leigha Gilbert homered and singled twice to lead Kennon, Ah'Lazia Douglas singled three times, Brooklyn Davis, Dakota Howard, Baleigh Haulcy and Destiny Boyd all had two base hits and Aubrey Gorman, Charlie Flournoy, Kenadie Keener and Layla Slaughter all added hits.

Jacey Adams doubled to lead Global Pressure, followed by Makenzie Branton, Kylie Ryan, Meghan Harris and Gabrielle Brown with two hits. Lindsey Ryan, Madison Harris, Madison Blewer and Chloe Monroe added base hits.

#### State Farm 6

**Lady Rangers 7**

Asia Blow, Kaelynn Williams and Ahmani Hawkins led the Lady Rangers with three hits, followed by Kabregia Forbes and Chelsea Hampton with two hits.

Natalee Dodd and Karin Clary added base hits.

For State Farm, Keyania Richardson had three hits to lead the way. Kambree Frizzell, Synyah Rabb, Gracie Spencer and Mattlyn Price had two hit games and Maddy Whitehead, McKenzie Bailey and Trinity Carter added base hits.

#### Dixie Angels

**Kennon Dazzlers 8**  
**Timberland 3**

Kaylin Williams blasted two home runs to lead the Dazzlers, followed by Laci Cheatham with a triple and a single and Lauren Cheatha, with a base hit. Elisabeth Cage struck out six batters for Kennon.

Mallory Pesnell, Lily Giddens, Elyse Jackson and Lauren Still all had hits for Timberland. Landry Malone struck out six batters for Timberland.

#### Dixie Belles

**Pink Pratique 2**  
**OWC 6**

Olivia Osborne led OWC with a double for their only hit. On the

mound, Osborne was phenomenal, striking out 13 batters in five innings of work.

Shamorrow Whiting, Ty'Asia Shehee and DeTyquesha Jackson all had base hits for Pink Pratique.

#### Coach Pitch

**Southern Stone 4**  
**Roma 2**

Cameryn Davis hit a home run to lead Southern Stone, followed by Gage Williams, Remington Arender, Hudson Glasscock and Connor Bolton with doubles and Justin Woodford, Jarrett Burt, Landry Merritt and Christian Hampton added base hits.

For Roma, Garrett Adams, Preston Blakely, Zavius Lewis and Mikey Shephard had base hits.

#### Defiance 10

**Minden's Finest**  
**Storage 2**

Landon Brewer had two doubles to lead Defiance, while Brendon Frazier doubled once, Jamall Carey Jr. and Jayveion Jackson had two base hits and Jordan Ainsworth, Jakob Frasier, Ty Erving and Jacoby Hartwell added base hits.

Blake Lewis, Noah Cox, Bryce Monk and D.J. Bryant had base hits to lead Minden's Finest Storage.

#### AA

**Wonder Boys 11**  
**Lil Soldiers 0**

Brody Bower and Bryson Ranger hit home runs and tripled to lead Wonder Boys. Easton Sanders also blasted a homer and a double, while Reagan Coyle and Kevin Berry hit doubles and Landon Huddleston, Gaige Machen and Jaxon Smith added base hits.

The Lil Soldiers were not able to muster up a hit in this contest.

#### Elm St. Dental 2

**Bandits 10**

Wyatt Wharton, Spencer Brantley, Hayden Watkins and Willie Jenkins had multiple hits for the Bandits. Devery



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Moore, Tanner Johnson, Everonte Williams and Lucas Whitten had doubles for the Bandits and Brian Williams and Deveryon Moore added base hits.

Dawon Day, Seth Mangrum, Mason Goodman, Quinn Jackson and Ethan Turner had hits for Elm St. Dental.

#### AAA

**Kirk's Towing 5**  
**Alpha Energy 5**

Darius Carter had the only hit of the night for either team, hitting a home run and a double to lead Kirk's Towing. Jacob Whitehead struck out six batters for Kirk's Towing, while Jaylin Williams was great on the mound for

Alpha in striking out 10 batters.

#### Regulators 0

**Alpha Railroad 15**

Mason Lewis, Seth Levesque and Price Miller had base hits to lead Alpha. Price Miller struck out six batters on the mound.

Chase Hammen struck out four batters for the Regulators.

#### Dixie Youth

**Minden Athletic 1**  
**Rangers 2**

Landon Hopkins and Jaron Davis had base hits for the Rangers, while Andrew Fegley was impressive in striking out 16 batters.

Jacob Corke had two doubles to lead Minden

Athletic and Drake Freeman struck out eight batters.

#### U.S. Silica 3

**Tigers 3**

Jake Walker, J.T. Edge, Trenton McLaughlin, Parker Hall and Peyton Allen had base hits for the Tigers, while McLaughlin added 10 strikeouts on the mound.

Ashton Stewart tripled to lead Silica, followed by Keegan Frizzell, Thomase Rhame and Xander Turner with base hits. Connor Humphreys struck out five for Silica.

#### Dixie Boys

**Lakeside 1**  
**Glenbrook 7**

Trevor McLean singled and Cade Clemons dou-

bled to lead Glenbrook to the win.

Alex Haynie, Krys Stewart and Zannon Taylor all had hits for Lakeside.

#### Hebert's Town & Country 7

**Minden Elite 5**

Ashley Maness led Hebert's Town & Country with a triple, followed by Peter Edwards with a double and Nate Willis and Asa Greer added base hits.

Hunter Wilkes doubled for Minden Elite, while Treyton Butler, Brandon Scott and Kenneth Gipson added base hits. Hunter Wilkes struck out five batters on the mound.

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## TEAM OF THE WEEK



Congratulations to the Dirt Divas, this week's MPH/Minden Farm & Garden Team of the Week. The Dirt Diva's have won their last two games and are coached by Chad Still (left), Clint Hollis and Allen Mosley (not pictured).

The Minden Press-Herald's Team of the Week feature is brought to you every other Friday by Minden Farm & Garden.

### NBA

# Rockets force game 7

LOS ANGELES (AP) — With a 19-point lead in the second half, the Los Angeles Clippers were cruising toward clinching the franchise's first Western Conference finals berth.

Not so fast. The Houston Rockets would not be denied.

Corey Brewer scored 15 of his 19 points in the fourth quarter and Houston stunned Los Angeles 119-107 on Thursday night to force a Game 7.

"We kept saying, 'We're not going to quit,'" said Dwight Howard, who had 20 points and 21 rebounds. "We kept believing. We never gave up on each other."

James Harden scored 23 points — making all 11 of his free throws — while spending most of the fourth quarter on the bench for the Rockets, who have won two straight after trailing the series 3-1. Josh Smith scored 14 of his 19 points in the fourth.

Trailing 87-68, Houston outscored the Clippers 51-20 over the

end of the third and in the fourth to shock the sellout crowd of 19,417 into near silence.

"We took our foot off the gas, stopped defending, a lot of things," said



**HARDEN**

Blake Griffin, who finished with 28 points and missed all five of his shots in the fourth quarter when the Clippers were 4 of 22 from the field.

Game 7 is Sunday in Houston.

"It's about who wants it more," Griffin said.

The Clippers led by 19 points in the third quarter, seemingly assured of finishing off the Rockets in six games after beating the defending NBA champion San Antonio Spurs in seven games in the first round.

Then Rockets started their big run with nine straight points to cut it to 13 heading into the fourth.

"We were trying to run the clock out and we

stopped playing," Clippers coach Doc Rivers said. "We gave this one away."

Houston hit seven 3-pointers in the fourth and stymied the Clippers offensively.

"That group just went out there and they just scrambled, they fought and they played their tails off on defense," Rockets coach Kevin McHale said. "They had a great sense about them that they were going to accomplish something."

The Rockets went on a 23-2 run to take a 111-102 lead with 1:44 left. Dazed fans began clearing out.

Chris Paul had 31 points and 11 assists for the Clippers and J.J. Redick added 15 points.

Once again in the series, the third quarter belonged to the Clippers, who outscored the Rockets 28-17 while building that 19-point lead.

The Rockets' frustration boiled over in the third, when Howard was called for a flagrant-1 foul after knocking Griffin to the court on a drive. Harden later got hit with a technical for shoving Griffin.

### NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

# LeBron one step closer to bringing Cavs a title

CHICAGO (AP) — Everything changed for the Cleveland Cavaliers when they found out LeBron James was bringing his talents home from South Beach.

Just like that, they were contenders again. And now, they're headed to the Eastern Conference finals.

The Cavaliers knocked out the Chicago Bulls 94-73 on Thursday night to clinch their Eastern Conference semifinal

series in six games even though James struggled to score 15 points and Kyrie Irving limped off the court.

"What a year," Tristan Thompson said. "Fourth year with the Cavaliers. The previous three years we were thinking about the lottery and who we were gonna draft. Now I am playing with this father (LeBron) here. What a ride. I will enjoy this for a day and just get

ready for the next opponent."

The Cavaliers went from 33 wins to 53 with "King James" back and trying to do what he couldn't the first time — lead them to a championship.

He decided to give it another try after winning two in four years with Miami, and with Kevin Love and Irving alongside him, Cleveland looked like a good bet to emerge

from the East. They still might. But with Love suffering a season-ending injury in the first round and Irving hobbled by two bad legs, the Cavaliers are banged up heading into their series against Atlanta or Washington.

They got all they could handle from the Bulls, right up until this game. A series that saw the two teams trade buzzer-beating victories in Chicago and Cleveland withstand a

furious rally at home in Game 5, ended with a relative whimper.

Matthew Dellavedova scored 19 points and Tristan Thompson added 13 points and 17 rebounds to help the Cavaliers advance to the conference finals for the first time since 2009 even though their superstar played like a mere mortal and their All-Star point guard hobbled to the locker room in the first half.

"These guys work their tails off every single day when you guys are not around," James said. "Yes, I'm a little bit surprised because of how we've handled the postseason so far. These are first-timers right here (Dellavedova and Thompson) as well as Kyrie and Kev before the injury. They want to be good, they want to be great, and every single day they prepare the right way."

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## DAVID LETTERMAN ON RETIREMENT:

# It's time, but he's torn

NEW YORK — You don't think of David Letterman as a stop-and-smell-the-flowers type, but here he is, at a major turning point yet savoring his chocolate milkshake.

Perched on a stool at a fast-food restaurant beside the Ed Sullivan Theater, where he has hosted "Late Show" for two decades but will do so only a bit longer, Dave unwinds from that day's taping and graciously submits to a reporter's questions while, more than once, he comments on his shake's deliciousness.

He also thinks today's show was excellent, a surprising appraisal from this famously self-critical star.

It was a smash. Cher did a surprise walk-on. Martin Short belted out a comic eulogy to Dave ("It's the end./ My pretend show-biz friend!"). Norah Jones sang "Don't Know Why" and everyone got misty.

Every moment seemed precious, and for no one more so than the host. During each commercial break, as Paul Shaffer and the CBS Orchestra rocked out, Dave rose from his desk and shed his suit jacket, then, in his shirt sleeves in the shadows, prowled his stage, an august presence silhouetted against the cityscape backdrop, almost certainly, he pondered how quickly time is running out.

"I wish tonight's show had been the last show," says Letterman, dressed down now in long-sleeve T-shirt, painter's pants and sandals. "Tonight should have been the last show. That's it! Good night, everybody! I don't know what we're gonna do for the next two weeks."

It isn't hard to detect, or understand, the simmering ambivalence in Letterman's decision to take his leave after 33 years in late night and 22 years hosting CBS' "Late Show," on May 20.

But by now he's done it all. Letterman has carved a place in cultural history with his pioneering brand of postmodern silliness that collared "Late Night" fans on his arrival in 1982 and subsequently was absorbed into the Age of Irony he played a major role in charting.

He personified a prankish, insubordinate style that mocked the world he inhabited on and off the air. Early in his career, he summed up his mission as "smart, shrewd observations" about pretty much anything, with their unifying theme imposed by the fact of their airing on TV: "You and I both understand that this is stupid."

He maintained an arch detachment from most everything, in particular the celebrity world most TV hosts cozied up to.

If he was never quite beholden to celebrities, a story from his childhood helps explain. Back in Indianapolis, he

with his dad, mom and sister would observe an American ritual on Sunday nights watching "The Ed Sullivan Show," the CBS variety show that originated for a quarter-century from the very theater he would someday occupy.

"After every act, Ed would go, 'C'mon, now, let's really hear it! Come on, everybody!' And my mom would say, 'I hate the way he begs the audience to applaud the performers. You either deserve it or you don't!' And I think that's me: Yeah, they're performers, but there's no reason you should bend over for them."

### WHERE IT ALL STARTED

Granted, when "Late Night" began, A-list stars weren't exactly beating down the doors of NBC's Studio 6A to join Dave. Letterman's solution: Find and launch "stars" of his own drawn from his own staff and the world at large.

"I was never quite sure whether a big star would get better ratings than if you had the Potato Chip Lady," he muses. "I never knew. But we ended up having more of the Potato Chip Lady in the first couple of years."

Such resourcefulness helped put Letterman on the crest of a new wave of comedy that came to be called "found humor" and remains a major part of his legacy, one long ago coined "Lettermanesque."

But don't talk legacy with Dave. He swiftly raises his deflector shield.

"The real credit goes to the writers," he insists. "It was their show that I was doing, especially early on. And then I got to a point I knew how to do what they were wanting me to do."

"We had guys who had worked at the Harvard Lampoon!" he says, flashing a grin. "I attended university in Muncie, Indiana."

As the end nears, "Late Show" has dug into its vaults to replay a sampling of vintage comedy bits, some almost Dadaesque in their absurdity. (On a recent show, a 1993 clip found Dave cruising Manhattan making mischief with his car phone, as when he alerted a news-radio station that traffic was backed up on Amsterdam Avenue, then corrected himself: "Oh, I think it was just a red light.")

Those old clips make him nostalgic for the Lettermanesque-ness he may have since outgrown.

"I realize what the old show was, and we haven't been doing the old show in years," he says. "And that's all because of me."

But no one stays avant-garde forever, especially after a record-breaking, surely never-to-be-matched run that exceeds even Johnny Carson's 30 years on "The Tonight Show." And especially when so

many of the elements that certified Dave as cutting-edge have by now become of the cultural status quo.

"God, it's been 6,000 shows!" he says. "I used to have these conversations with (wife) Regina: 'How much longer can I do this? How much longer do I WANT to do this?' There was a lot of that before the decision, and now it's like, 'Holy crap! We have less than two weeks!'"

"It was so much fun tonight, just really fun," he says again, wistful at the notion of a great guest like Short seated next to other hosts when he's not around: "I want to be the guy he tells his stories to."

"I'm really, really torn. I know why I shouldn't be doing it anymore, but these last few months have been sooooo easy." No wonder. As the days count down, love for Dave is escalating: "With a simple retirement announcement, every day I'm Salesman of the Month."

Letterman's life was anything but easy in October 2009, when an extortion plot compelled him to acknowledge on the air that he had been sexually involved with women on his staff.

He weathered that storm, largely thanks to a candid and contrite accounting to his audience.

"I had one choice: I had to be honest about it," he says. "But it was the worst time of my life. I remember just thinking, 'Oh my God, I've ruined my family,' and that became the only concern. And then: Oh, yeah, you could get fired! You couldn't draw an unlabored breath. 'What is he doing? Is he up there just randomly exploiting women sexually?' That's what people were talking about."

"And it was ME, for God's sakes!"

How about making it somebody else? "There's always Regis!" Letterman laughs.

On Dave's crisis meter, the scandal far exceeded his emergency quintuple bypass in January 2000.

"The heart surgery was FUN! It was something new to talk about that was ALL ME! Plus, everybody was worried about me, and doing everything they could. People would come and see me and bring me things. Jane Pauley gave me some pajamas and a pair of slippers. It was delightful, like every day was Christmas."

"And the doctors were wonderful. That was 15 years ago, and when I had my regular test in October they said, 'This is exactly the way it was after the surgery.' Those people — I mean, who does a job that well?"

Another miracle of medical science: An antidepressant he's been taking in recent years.

"It saved my life. I used to wonder how other people weren't always screaming and punching the Sheetrock. And then I

started this, and I felt like, 'Ahhh, I see!' And now I don't punch Sheetrock and scream as much."

### 'NO CURE TO BEING 68'

But nothing, no drug or elixir, can turn back the years.

"There's no cure to being 68," he sighs. "The fact that I'm 68 happened." The man who once was an arbiter of hipness feels obliged to acknowledge that "the number of people who are wildly popular on television or music or the Internet that I don't have any knowledge of is endless. I'm constantly going, 'Who is so-and-so? Who LIKES so-and-so?' It's like I'm the drifter who's wandered into town and doesn't know anybody."

He gazes around at his fellow late-night hosts, "and those other people are so much younger, and so more energetic, than I am. You can make a comparison any night, and that'll be true."

Don't try telling Letterman that what he's done so long — host a show and be funny in inventive new ways — isn't a function of youth, like modern dance or cage fighting. No, Dave has made his decision. May 20 is closing night.

And after that? Will he, like Carson — who retired at 66 in 1992 and lived another 13 years — simply disappear from public view?

"I don't think there's anything for me to do," Dave replies. "My wife keeps saying, 'Oh, don't worry — you'll get another job if you want it.' By looking through the want ads?! '68-year-old former talk show host:' Nothing here, honey. Nothing today."

"I don't know what's gonna happen," he says, beyond more family time with Regina and their 11-year-old son, Harry. "I hope it will all be good. It's my responsibility to make it good. It's not like heart surgery: 'Could I get a little more morphine?'"

It's not as if he's glum. More like meditative, addressing the question almost no one can eventually avoid, including many of his most devoted viewers: Where did all the years go?

Meanwhile, he's enjoying his shake and pleased with this day's work.

"If you see how wound up I am," he says, "it's because of the show tonight: Cher, Marty Short, Norah Jones! If the last show goes like that, I'll be like this. I hope the last show goes well, because that's what I will take with me. It will reflect nicely on the body of work."

And if it doesn't go so well? He grins: "I'm gonna be miserable for a long time."

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**Yesterday's Cryptoquip:** WHEN GERMAN AUTOMOBILES ARE BOUGHT BY RIYADHI NATIVES, THEY MIGHT VERY WELL BE SAUDIS AUDIS.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: N equals L

### CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- 1 Brahmanist
  - 6 Upper limit
  - 9 Mailing abbr.
  - 12 Had a home-cooked meal
  - 13 Barn bird
  - 14 Seine matter
  - 15 Acted grandmotherly
  - 16 Rifle attachment
  - 18 Short and thick
  - 20 Fork
  - 21 Flightless bird
  - 23 Wet wiggler
  - 24 Liberace's prop
  - 25 Croupier's tool
  - 27 Crystal-lined rock
  - 29 To-do list
  - 31 Film festival city
  - 35 "Sinker"
- DOWN**
- 1 Possessed
  - 2 "Am — blame?"
  - 3 Obi ornament
  - 4 Losing plan
  - 5 Ill-deserved
  - 6 Repair, as shoes
  - 7 Vacationing
  - 8 Thickness
  - 9 Columbus' home
  - 10 Song of joy
  - 11 Top
  - 17 East
  - 19 Started
  - 21 Mound stat
  - 22 Periodical, for short
  - 24 Black-Berry, e.g.
  - 26 Conclusion
  - 28 Square dance group
  - 30 Buck's mate
  - 32 "House of Cards" provider
  - 33 Listener
  - 34 Firmament
  - 36 All together
  - 38 Hypnotized
  - 39 Bellini opera
  - 40 Raise a glass to
  - 42 Pizzazz
  - 45 Part of N.B.
  - 46 Links warning
  - 48 Promptly
  - 50 Black-jack component
  - 51 Embarrassed

Solution time: 26 mins.

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# DELINQUENT TAXES

SUBDIV.	UNIT	SHREVEPORT, LA 71118-0000	32517 WARD 2-CV 1 2 1 0 8 6	15608 WARD 1 1 2 9 3 4 0	CULLEN, LA 71021 SW/4 OF SW/4	VILLAGE 71055-0000	LA 71018-0000
39981	WARD 1-MN 1 1 0 0 9 3	OTHER OWNERS: D U F O U R , CHRISTOPHER P A U L	ELLISON, GOULD C/O INEZ CROW 21236 HWY 371 #30 COTTON VALLEY, LA 71018	FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION P O BOX 650043 DALLAS, TX 7 5 2 6 5 - 0 0 0 0	54455 WARD 2-CL 1 2 1 8 9 4	60368 WARD 1 1 0 2 9 3 0	HENDERSON, LAWANDA LEWIS, SHARON HENDERSON
DLJ MORTGAGE CAPITAL, INC	TOTAL DUE: 51.45	TAXES: 20.43	INTEREST: 1.02	COST: 30.00	GOODE, HOSIE PO BOX 747 CULLEN, LA 71021	HADWIN, THOMAS LEE 511 SAND PLANT RD D U B B E R L Y , LA 71024-0000	TOTAL DUE: 72.91
C/O JACKSON & MCPHERSON, LLC	LOT #59, TOTAL DUE: 1.25	INTEREST: 0.42	COST: 30.00	TOTAL DUE: 437.54	TAXES: 43.69	TOTAL DUE: 27591	TAXES: 40.87
ST, STE 1800 NEW ORLEANS, LA 70112-0000	PALMETTO BEACH ESTATES SUBDIV. 54595 WARD 1 1 0 7 6 9 0	TAXES: 38.88	INTEREST: 0.42	TAXES: 388.13	INTEREST: 30.00	27591 WARD 2-SH 1 2 5 8 0 7	INTEREST: 2.04
TOTAL DUE: 64.36	DAVID ALLEN 4497 HWY 163 DOYLINE, LA 71023	TOTAL DUE: 388.13	COST: 30.00	INTEREST: 19.41	LOT #3, MELVIN R. JONES ETAL C/O BARBARA JONES GILBERT 4505 LEDBETTER ST SHREVEPORT, LA 71108	3 0 0 0 0	COST: 30.00
TAXES: 32.72	OTHER OWNERS: DUKES, DENISE ILENE WEST 39834 WARD 1-MN 1 1 5 3 2 6	TOTAL DUE: 437.54	INTEREST: 0.42	TOTAL DUE: 437.54	GLOVER, JAMES C. GRAY, SHIRLEY ELAINE TAYLOR JONES, PARNELL K E N N O N , ROSE JONES KINSEY, L. GOLDEN 44212 WARD 1-MN 1 1 4 6 6 0	3 0 0 0 0	TOTAL DUE: 72.91
INTEREST: 1.64	ELON OIL COMPANY, LLC 9233 W ARAGON SHREVEPORT, LA 71118-0000	TOTAL DUE: 437.54	COST: 30.00	TAXES: 35608	INTEREST: 0.07	4 8 0 0 5	TAXES: 40.87
COST: 30.00	BEACH ESTATES 186, PALMETTO BEACH 28548 WARD 2-SH 1 2 3 9 5 8	TOTAL DUE: 437.54	INTEREST: 0.42	TOTAL DUE: 35608	COST: 30.00	1 0 3 1 3 1	INTEREST: 2.04
LOT #10, NORTH ACRES UNIT #1	EASTON, JO KAREN 4096THSTREET,NW SPRINGHILL, LA 71075-0000	TOTAL DUE: 437.54	COST: 30.00	TOTAL DUE: 35608	INTEREST: 0.07	33-1/2 FT. ON NORTH MAIN ST. 1/2 FT. ON SOUTH MAIN ST. OUT OF LOT #129, WILLIAMSON JONES MAP OF MINDEN IN SW/4 OF SW/4 SEC. 22-19-9	TOTAL DUE: 72.91
18912 WARD 2-CV 1 2 1 0 5 1	EMMA ADDN. 10074 WARD 2-CV 1 2 1 0 5 2	TOTAL DUE: 437.54	INTEREST: 0.42	TOTAL DUE: 35608	INTEREST: 0.07	LOT #12, BLK. C, MCCLELLAN ADDN. 16471 WARD 1-MN 1 1 1 6 5 4	TAXES: 40.87
DOWNS, BEN L. EST C/O MRS. RICHARD RICHARD DOWNS 25104 HWY 371 SAREPTA, LA 71071	DALE EST 25104 HWY 371 SAREPTA, LA 71071	TOTAL DUE: 437.54	INTEREST: 0.42	TOTAL DUE: 35608	INTEREST: 0.07	HAMM, DONALD W A Y N E 302 N. COLLEGE ST. MINDEN, LA 71055	TAXES: 40.87
TOTAL DUE: 61.12	DALE EST 25104 HWY 371 SAREPTA, LA 71071	TOTAL DUE: 437.54	INTEREST: 0.42	TOTAL DUE: 35608	INTEREST: 0.07	LOT 100 X 245 FT. IN NW/4 OF SW/4 SEC. 22-19-9 & STRIP 119-9 & STRIP 119-9	TAXES: 40.87
TAXES: 29.64	DALE EST 25104 HWY 371 SAREPTA, LA 71071	TOTAL DUE: 437.54	INTEREST: 0.42	TOTAL DUE: 35608	INTEREST: 0.07	FORMERLY AN ALLEY IN NW/4 OF SW/4 SEC. 22-1-9-9	TAXES: 40.87
INTEREST: 1.48	DALE EST 25104 HWY 371 SAREPTA, LA 71071	TOTAL DUE: 437.54	INTEREST: 0.42	TOTAL DUE: 35608	INTEREST: 0.07	21550 WARD 1-MN 1 1 3 5 4 5	TAXES: 40.87
COST: 30.00	DALE EST 25104 HWY 371 SAREPTA, LA 71071	TOTAL DUE: 437.54	INTEREST: 0.42	TOTAL DUE: 35608	INTEREST: 0.07	HAMM, DONALD W A Y N E 302 COLLEGE ST. MINDEN, LA 71055	TAXES: 40.87
LOTS #12, 13, 14 & S/2 OF LOTS #9, 10 & 11, BLK. 2, MRS. EMMA CROW	DALE EST 25104 HWY 371 SAREPTA, LA 71071	TOTAL DUE: 437.54	INTEREST: 0.42	TOTAL DUE: 35608	INTEREST: 0.07	LOT 100 X 245 FT. IN NW/4 OF SW/4 SEC. 22-19-9	TAXES: 40.87
10074 WARD 2-CV 1 2 1 0 5 2	DALE EST 25104 HWY 371 SAREPTA, LA 71071	TOTAL DUE: 437.54	INTEREST: 0.42	TOTAL DUE: 35608	INTEREST: 0.07	FORMERLY AN ALLEY IN NW/4 OF SW/4 SEC. 22-1-9-9	TAXES: 40.87
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# DELINQUENT TAXES

15410 WARD 2-SH 1 2 9 2 8 2 M O O D Y, ROBERT L. III 304 6TH ST NW SPRINGHILL, LA 71075 OTHER OWNERS: MOODY, TERRANY B O L T O N TOTAL DUE: 100.43 67.08 INTEREST: 3.35 3 0 0 0 LOT #9, BLK. B, ROBINSON S U B D I V .	ORCHARD RD LOT 100 X 175 SAREPTA, LA FT. IN NW/4 OF 7 1 0 7 1 - 2 3 3 8 OTHER OWNERS: C R U M P L E R, JEREMY DARRELL TOTAL DUE: 226.13 11.31 INTEREST: 11.31 3 0 0 0 LOT FRONTING ON SIKES FERRY KINGS CORNER RD. X 239 FT. IN NW/4 OF SW/4 SEC. 32-23-10	LOT 75 X 150 #11, BLK. NEW DIXIE HTS. SUBDIV. 21780 WARD 1-DI 1 0 8 7 8 5 RILEY, BRIAN A. 1615 E TEXAS BOSSIER CITY, LA 71111-0000 TOTAL DUE: 74.95 TAXES: 42.81 INTEREST: 2.14 COST: 30.00 LOT #10, BLK. 2 NEW DIXIE HEIGHTS SUBDIV.	3 0 0 0 PO BOX 280 SAREPTA, LA 71071 TOTAL DUE: 86.32 TAXES: 53.64 INTEREST: 2.68 COST: 30.00 55058 WARD 2 1 1 9 7 0 7 2 SALLEY, THOMAS A. 1259 CHURCH S T R E E T SAREPTA, LA 7 1 0 7 1 - 0 0 0 0 TOTAL DUE: 99.08 TAXES: 65.79 INTEREST: 3.29 COST: 30.00 45468 WARD 2-SH 1 2 4 2 3 AC), & TRACT SAYERS, CHELSEA F L E M I N G 407 FOREST S P R I N G H I L L, LA 71075-0000 TOTAL DUE: 210 X 210 FT. IN NE/4 IF NE/4 SEC. 12-23-11	612.90 TAXES: COST: 30.00 555.14 INTEREST: 1.92 ACRES - 27.76 COST: 3.92 AC. IN NW/4 3 0 0 0 OF SE/4 SEC. 13- X 148 FT. IN LOT #1, BLK. 1, SW/4 OF NW/4 SHADY OAKS SEC. 22-19-9 S U B D I V . 105 X 415 X ? 415 FT.) DONATED, & LESS 1 AC. SOLD 44187 WARD 2 36545 WARD 2-SH 1 2 0 5 6 4 1 2 9 2 0 1 S C R U G G S , SHAW, TERESA DUSTIN R. 721 COYLE STREET 38677 WARD 2-SH 2 0 4 S P R I N G H I L L , 1 2 5 2 7 7 GERMANTOWN RD LA 71075-0000 SMITH CO. MINDEN, LA TOTAL DUE: 42.14 INVESTMENTS 7 1 0 5 5 - 0 0 0 0 TAXES: 11.56 PO BOX 546 TOTAL DUE: INTEREST: 0.58 S P R I N G H I L L 133.71 TAXES: COST: 30.00 LA 71075 98.77 INTEREST: LOT FRONTING TOTAL DUE: 48.21 4.94 COST: 3 FT. ON VINE TAXES: 17.34 3 0 0 0 ST. X 110 FT. IN INTEREST: 0.87 2 ACRE - TRACT COST: 30.00 210 X 210 FT. IN/4 OF NE/4 SEC. 14-23-11 LOT#128, R.A. SMITH INNE/4 OF NE/4 SEC. 27348 WARD 1-MN SUBDIV. ON 1 0 - 2 3 - 1 0 1 1 3 1 1 THE WEST LESS 0.506 AC EXCHANGED (0.50 S H E P P A R D , SIDE OF LA. AC), & TRACT M I C H A E L STATE HWY. #7 IN 105 X 210 FT. 226 PINE ST SE/4 OF SE/4 IN NE/4 OF MINDEN, LA 71055 SEC. 11-23-11, LESS WEST NE/4 SEC. 10- TOTAL DUE: 39.33 TAXES: 8.89 100 FT. SOLD 23-10) (0.0506 INTEREST: 0.44 AC), & TRACT COST: 30.00 210 X 210 FT. IN LOT 70 X 100 46566 WARD 1 NE/4 IF NE/4 FT. OUT OF LOT 1 0 6 9 6 9 SEC. 12-23-11 (1 FT. OUT OF LOT SMITH, CASEY *** COMPLETE RT 1 BOX 147 DESCRIPTION AT LEARY EST. PART. HEFLIN, LA 71039 COURTHOUSE *** IN SE/4 OF NE/4 TOTAL DUE: 103.38 SEC. 27-19-9 69.89 INTEREST: 3.49 51770 WARD 1 44701 WARD 1-MN 3 49 1 0 6 7 1 0 SEALE, HAZEL 1 1 4 3 9 0 3 0 0 0 W A L L E R SHINE, C. W. 3 ACRES - 3 1 1 1 5 2 4 C/O DENNETTA AC. IN LOT #6 424 CLERMONT AVE S H I N E (SE/4 OF SW/4) B R O O K L Y N , 122 BAILEY STREET SEC. 24-17-10, NY 11238 MINDEN, LA 71055 LESS 1.50 AC., TOTAL DUE: 47.09 & TRACT 210 X FOLSOM, LA 70437 TAXES: 16.28 TOTAL DUE: 263.27 TOTAL DUE: INTEREST: 0.81 TAXES: 315 FT. IN LOT 465.74 TAXES: COST: 30.00 INTEREST: #6 (SE/4 OF 414.99 INTEREST: 4 ACRES - 11.11 COST: SW/4) SEC. 3 0 0 0 1,319 FT. IN LOT 50 X 184 FT. (1.50 NE/4 OF NE/4 OUT OF LOTS (ADJ.) SEC. 8-19-10 #1 & 6, PART. 13280 WARD 2 OF EST. OF 1 2 0 0 3 9 40658 WARD 1-MN JERRY R. MOORE SMITH, JOHNNY B. 1 1 4 3 0 6 ETUX, LOT 20 X BOX 546 S E A M S T E R , 100 FT. IN NE/4 S P R I N G H I L L , LEN ESTATE OF SW/4 SEC. LA 71075 C/O BARBARA 27-19-9 & LOT OTHER OWNERS: S E A M S T E R 50 X 100 FT. IN SMITH, HUEY A R R I N G T O N NE/4 OF SW/4 JEAN SLACK 511 GOODWILL ST SEC. 27-19-9 TOTAL DUE: MINDEN, LA 71055 ( A D J . ) 123.88 TAXES: TOTAL DUE: 89.41 INTEREST: 4.47 COST: 48299 WARD 1-MN 88.87 INTEREST: 1 1 1 7 6 5 3 0 0 0 COST: SIMS, MARY HARRIS 8.94 ACRES - 4.44 COST: C/O MRS. MINNIE SW/4 OF NW/4 & 2 ACRES - TRACT HARRIS SMITH 49.94 AC. IN N/2 IN W/2 OF NW/4 2833 MURPHY ST OF NW/4 SEC. SEC. 21-19-9 SHREVEPORT, LA 71103 5-22-10, LESS OTHER OWNERS: AC. SOLD, LESS HARRIS, TERRY, JR. LESS 1.47 AC. HARRIS, VINSON SOLD, LESS SMITH, GREGORY 3.05 AC. SOLD, D E W A Y N E LESS 1.35 AC. WEST, ETTA HARRIS SOLD, LESS 1.35 TOTAL DUE: 44.00 AC. SOLD, LESS TAXES: 13.33 2.19 AC. SOLD, INTEREST: 0.67 LESS 1.47 AC. COST: 30.00 IN NW/4 OF P O BOX 1283 W/2 OF LOT #2, *** COMPLETE MINDEN, LA 71058 TOTAL DUE: LESS EAST 15 DESCRIPTION AT 560.59 TAXES: FT. SOLD OFF, COURTHOUSE *** 505.32 INTEREST: & ALL OF LOT 25.27 COST: #3, BLK. 10, 18573 WARD 2 3 0 0 0 SOUTH HIGHLAND 1 2 0 0 3 7 LOT #25, GRAY, A D D N . SMITH, JOHNNY B. WOOD SUBDIV. BOX 546 60170 WARD 1-MN 15042 WARD 1-MN 1 3 0 5 0 5 LOCATED IN NW/4 1 1 3 9 8 7 LA. 71075 SCHMIDT, REBECCA OF NE/4 SEC. SIMS, PETER DEVAL TOTAL DUE: 47.61 4-18-8 & IN W/2 517 GRAVEYARD ST TAXES: 16.77 MINDEN, LA 71055 OF SE/4 SEC. MINDEN, LA 71055 INTEREST: 0.84 3 3 - 1 9 - 8 OTHER OWNERS: COST: 30.00 28806 WARD 2-CV ALSTORK, WANDA LOT 210 X 1,262 1 2 1 5 2 5 M C C L E N D O N FT. IN SE/4 S ERNA, ISRAEL 36.89 TOTAL DUE: OF NE/4 SEC. C/O REBECCA 36.89 TAXES: 6.56 6-22-10, LESS H A R V I L L INTEREST: 0.33 1.93 AC. SOLD, 146 COYLE ST COST: 30.00 LESS AC. SOLD, SAREPTA, LA LOT 50 X 150 & LESS 1 AC. SOLD 7 1 0 7 1 - 0 0 0 0 FT. OUT OF LOT OTHER OWNERS: #23, W. A. 11105 WARD 2-CV ATKERSON SUBDIV. 1 2 1 5 7 4 SMITH, JOHNNY 15970 WARD 1-DL B U R E N 1 0 9 1 5 8 P O BOX 546 S I S E M O R E , S P R I N G H I L L , RONELDA C. ETAL LA 71075 %MR & MRS TOTAL DUE: JACKIE CRADER 34.44 TAXES: 4.23 RT 5 BOX 234A INTEREST: 0.21 C O U S H A T T A , COST: 30.00 LA 71019 UND. 1/2 INT. OTHER OWNERS: IN & TO: LOT 1 0 6 7 5 8 CRADER, JACKIE G. FRONTING 50 S H A D I D , CRADER, VELMA G. FT. ON PALMER GLEN ROSS TOTAL DUE: DRIVE IN SW/4 SHADID, BILLIE 324.58 TAXES: OF NE/4 SEC. SUE JACKSON 280.55 INTEREST: 17-21-10 (50 X 60 FT.) 16321 HWY 7 14.03 COST: MINDEN, LA 71055 3 0 0 0 OTHER OWNERS: 44923 WARD 2-CL 3 0 0 0 LOTS #13 & 14, 1 2 2 8 0 SHADID, BILLIE J O H N W O O D SMITH, JOHNNY SUE JACKSON SUBDIV. UNIT #2 B U R E N TOTAL DUE: (UNRECORDED), P O BOX 546 143.96 TAXES: BEING A LOT S P R I N G H I L L , 108.53 INTEREST: 196.16 X 164.38 X LA 71075 5.43 COST: 194.16 X 163.94 TOTAL DUE: 3 0 0 0 3.30 ACRES - FT. IN NW/4 37.18 TAXES: 6.84 TRACT 547.30 X INTEREST: 0.34 276.34 X 499.63 2 1 - 1 8 - 1 0 COST: 30.00 S T E V E N X 272.5 FT. ( LOT 40 X 60 TRACT G) IN 12202 WARD 2-SA FT. IN NE/4 OF SW/4 OF NW/4 & 1 2 2 9 1 3 SE/4 SEC. 24-23-11 NW/4 OF SW/4 SLACK, JUANITA 50673 WARD 2-CL SEC. 35-20-10 R., TRUSTEE #7 THAD LANE 1 2 2 2 8 3 33430 WARD 2-SH SAREPTA, LA 72227 SMITH, PAULINE 1 2 3 6 9 4 OTHER OWNERS: C/O JOHNNIE SHAW, TERESA C O R L E Y , B. SMITH 721 COYLE STREET SHIRLEY RYLAND P O BOX 546 S P R I N G H I L L , TOTAL DUE: 58.00 S P R I N G H I L L , LA 71075-0000 TAXES: 26.67 LA 71075-0546 TOTAL DUE: INTEREST: 1.33 TOTAL DUE:
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# DELINQUENT TAXES

37.18 TAXES: 6.84 INTEREST: 0.34 COST: 30.00 LOT FRONTING 50 FT. ON ST. X 50 FT. IN NE/4 OF SE/4 SEC. 2 4 - 2 3 - 1 1	39684 WARD 1 1 0 7 1 8 2 STEPHENS, JANICE TRAYLOR C/O ROBIN STEPHENS 160 PINE CIRCLE DOYLINE, LA 71023 TOTAL DUE: 164.06 TAXES: 127.68 INTEREST: 6.38 COST: 3 0 . 0 0 LOTS #73, 74 & 75, PALMETTO BEACH ESTATES SUBDIV. 23554 WARD 1 1 0 7 1 9 7 STERLING, GEORGE ROOSEVELT % VIRGINIA JEANETTE BLALOCK 155 LOREX RD MINDEN, LA 71055 TOTAL DUE: 115.63 TAXES: 81.55 INTEREST: 4.08 COST: 3 0 . 0 0 ACRES - TRACT 400 X 150 X 134.28 X 236.47 X 300 FT. IN NE/4 OF SW/4 SEC. 3-23-11 (2AC.), LESS 1.60AC. ASSESSED INSIDE SPRINGHILL	7 1 0 2 3 - 0 0 0 0 OTHER OWNERS: STEPHENS, DONNA KAREN TOTAL DUE: 41.35 TAXES: 10.81 INTEREST: 0.54 COST: 30.00 LOT FRONTING 40 FT. ON T. C. RR R/W X 25 FT. IN SW/4 OF NW/4 SEC. 21-18-10 38497 WARD 1-MN 1 1 4 7 0 7 STILES, ANDREW DALTON 10089 WARD 1 1 0 5 5 6 1 THE ROSLYN W. HANEY REVOCABLE TRUST ROSLYN HANEY, TRUSTEE 13200 S 275TH E AVENUE COWETA, OK 74429 TOTAL DUE: 638.13 TAXES: 579.17 INTEREST: 28.96 COST: 3 0 . 0 0 ACRES - TRACT 880 X 1218 FT. IN SW/4 OF NE/4 & IN SE/4 OF NW/4 SEC. 20-20-9 (24.60 AC.), STRANGE, LILLIAN BURNS ESTATE C/O NATALEE FARRINGTON 3137 SANDHILL ROAD SHONGALOO, LA 71072 TOTAL DUE: 38.99 TAXES: 8.56 INTEREST: 0.43 COST: 30.00 2 ACRES - TRACT 210 X 210 FT. IN SW/4 OF SE/4 SEC. 24-23-10	MARTIN RD SHONGALOO, LA 71072 OTHER OWNERS: TEUTSCH, ALICIA ANN TOTAL DUE: 65.94 TAXES: 34.23 INTEREST: 1.71 COST: 30.00 1 ACRES - TRACT 210 X 210 X 110 X 276 X 320 X 66 FT. IN NE/4 OF SE/4 SEC. 18-22-9 10089 WARD 1 1 0 5 5 6 1 THE ROSLYN W. HANEY REVOCABLE TRUST ROSLYN HANEY, TRUSTEE 13200 S 275TH E AVENUE COWETA, OK 74429 TOTAL DUE: 638.13 TAXES: 579.17 INTEREST: 28.96 COST: 3 0 . 0 0 ACRES - TRACT 880 X 1218 FT. 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COMPLETE DESCRIPTION AT COURTHOUSE *** 21084 WARD 1 1 0 2 5 2 5 A TINSLEY, GILLIAM DREW, II 417 DOGWOOD TR MINDEN, LA 71055 - 0000 TOTAL DUE: 61.36 TAXES: 29.87 INTEREST: 1.49 COST: 30.00 10.56 ACRES - TRACT 1292.04 X 353.65 X 1311.89 X 72.03 X 56.55 X 135 X 89.29 FT. IN NE/4 OF NW/4 SEC. 33-20-8 16540 WARD 1 1 0 7 6 2 3 TOMLINSON, BRANDEN WILEY 190 HOLOMON CEMETARY LOOP RD DUBBERLY, LA 71024 OTHER OWNERS: MAHFOUZ, LINDA JEAN TOMLINSON MCEACHERN, BRENDA IRENE TOMLINSON MOSS, KARLA MARIE TOMLINSON TOMLINSON, BOBBY NEIL TOMLINSON, CARL CLEVELAND TOMLINSON, ELIJAH JACOB TOMLINSON, HUSTON X 282 X 483.97 ELDER, JR. YOCOM, SARA ANN TOMLINSON TOTAL DUE: 375.83 TAXES: 329.36 INTEREST: 16.47 COST: 3 0 . 0 0 ACRES - TRACT 210 X 664 FT. IN SE/4 OF NE/4 SEC. 9 - 1 8 - 8 16423 WARD 1-SI 1 1 6 1 8 7 TURK, VICTORIA LEE 1137 ARNCLIFFE DR. SHREVEPORT, & ANN PETERS EST. PART. IN SE/4 OF NW/4 SEC. 27-19-9	TOTAL DUE: 34.24 TAXES: 4.04 INTEREST: 0.20 COST: 30.00 LOT 210 X 157- 1/2 FT. IN SE/4 OF NW/4 SEC. 3-20-10 14472 WARD 2 1 2 0 4 6 8 WELLS FARGO BANK, NA C/O DONALD HAMM 302 COLLEGE MINDEN, LA 71055 TOTAL DUE: 837.07 TAXES: 768.64 INTEREST: 38.43 COST: 3 0 . 0 0 LOTS #4, 5 & 6 & WEST 10 FT. OF LOT #3 BLK. GOODE ANNEX IN SW/4 OF NE/4 SEC. 2 2 - 1 9 - 9 51051 WARD 1 1 0 5 5 4 3 WHEELER, KENNETH LYNN C/O DAVID KROUSE 1358 MARK AVENUE BOSSIER, LA 71112 OTHER OWNERS: WHEELER, RITA TAYLOR TOTAL DUE: 86.99 TAXES: 54.28 INTEREST: 2.71 COST: 30.00 1 ACRE - TRACT 357.6 X 249 X 162.44 X 158.84 FT. 172.30 FT. IN SW/4 OF SE/4 & IN SE/4 OF SE/4 SEC. 14-19-10 40780 WARD 1-MN 1 1 5 4 0 7 WILKINS, BILLY JOE 811 CONSTABLE ST MINDEN, LA 71055 OTHER OWNERS: WILKINS, AMY SILLIMAN TOTAL DUE: 142.99 TAXES: 12.37 INTEREST: 0.62 COST: 3 0 . 0 0 LOT FRONTING 95.5 FT. ON CONSTABLE ST. X 353 FT. IN NW/4 OF NE/4 SEC. 21-19-9 53389 WARD 1-MN 1 1 5 4 3 4 WILLIAMS, EVA K. HOUSTON 12016 WILLIAM AND MARY CIR WOODBIDGE, VA 22192 OTHER OWNERS: HOUSTON, MICHAEL K., TRUSTEE TOTAL DUE: 39.33 TAXES: 8.89 INTEREST: 0.44 COST: 30.00 LOT 50 X 100 FT. OUT OF LOT #2, MARIAM LEARY EST. PART. IN SW/4 OF NE/4 SEC. 27-19-9 56089 WARD 1-MN 1 1 2 1 9 4 WEBSTER PARISH POLICE JURY 410 MAIN ST MINDEN, LA 71055 - 0000 TOTAL DUE: 151.31 TAXES: 115.53 INTEREST: 5.78 COST: 3 0 . 0 0 LOT 62 X 98 FT. OUT OF LOT #1, RICHMOND & ANN PETERS EST. PART. IN SE/4 OF NW/4 SEC. 27-19-9 23565 WARD 1-DL 1 0 9 2 4 5 WEEMS, RONALD F. 595 MAIN ST DOYLINE, LA 71023 OTHER OWNERS: WEEMS, RISHA R. TOTAL DUE: 63.63 TAXES: 32.03 INTEREST: 1.60 COST: 30.00 LOT #1, BLK. 4, RESUBDIV. OF WEBSTER INV.	INC. SUBDIV. & STRIP 10 X 50 FT. ADJ. (FORMERLY AN ALLEY) IN NE/4 OF SE/4 SEC. 2 0 - 1 8 - 1 0 50996 WARD 1-MN 1 1 3 4 2 2 WELLS FARGO BANK, NA C/O DONALD HAMM 302 COLLEGE MINDEN, LA 71055 TOTAL DUE: 837.07 TAXES: 768.64 INTEREST: 38.43 COST: 3 0 . 0 0 LOTS #4, 5 & 6 & WEST 10 FT. OF LOT #3 BLK. 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AS LOT #2 (KNOWN AS THE SAM LEWIS LOT SHOWN IN REVISED PLAT OF LOTS #32-39 INCL. HARRELLS SUBDIV., BEING 10 FT. FRONTING YATES, TOMMY R., JR. 600 TURNBULL LAWRENCEVILLE, VA 23868 TOTAL DUE: 64.58 TAXES: 32.93 INTEREST: 1.65 COST: 30.00 ACRES - TRACT 264 X MINDEN, LA 2,621 X 256 X 2,621 FT. IN NW/4 OF SW/4 OF NE/4 OF MELINDA POSEY SW/4 SEC. 9-17- TOTAL DUE: 48.67 TAXES: 196.65 X 227.72 INTEREST: 0.89 X 196.65 X COST: 30.00 228.30 FT SOLD LOTS #28 & 29, (1.03 AC.), GARRISON EAST SUBDIV. X 181.76 FT. 24568 WARD 2-CV 1 2 9 3 3 5 WILSON, SHELBY PO BOX 54 COTTON VALLEY, LA 71018 TOTAL DUE: 124.90 TAXES: 8.47 INTEREST: 0.42 COST: 30.00 LOT #6, BLK. A, SUPPLEMENTARY PLAT OF HODGES ADDN, BEING A LOT 25 X 125 FT. IN SE/4 OF SW/4 SEC. 8 - 2 1 - 1 0 LOT #32, BOUCHER & SLACK PARK, UNIT #4 May 15, 2015 Minden Press-Herald
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LOUISIANA LEGISLATURE

# Bill giving workers paid sick time spurned by committee

BATON ROUGE — A proposal to give all Louisiana workers paid sick days was rejected by a Senate labor committee Thursday, leading one lawmaker to condemn business groups that opposed the bill for their "hypocrisy."

During the meeting, lobbyists from the Louisiana Association of Business and Industry and the National Federation of Independent Business both said their organizations were opposed to the paid sick leave bill, sponsored by Sen. Karen Peterson, D-New Orleans.

Dawn Starns, Louisiana state director of NFIB, and Renee Amar, with LABI, both said they opposed Peterson's bill because they think it would be burdensome for businesses.

"They might reduce (employee) benefits, they might reduce (employee) hours and they obviously might increase costs to their customer," said Amar.

Sen. Ed Murray interrupted the two and asked if they received paid sick leave — Amar said she thought so, Starns acknowledged she

did — leading to a testy exchange.

"The companies you represent are opposed to your own policy," said Murray, D-New Orleans. "The hypocrisy up here never ceases to amaze me."

Talking over each other at times, Murray and Starns traded barbs.

"We have to be the voice for people who are out there in communities," Starns said. "Whatever my company does is not really a fair comparison to what the policy is that y'all are asking to put in at a state level."

At one point, Starns invoked the subject of guaranteed equal pay for women, another hot-button issue supported by many Democrats but opposed by business.

"I'm not sure I get equal pay ... I'm opposed to that too," Starns said.

That seemed to flabbergast Murray who is sponsoring an equal pay bill and who responded: "You're opposed to being paid equally? I can't believe you just said that."

Despite the lively debate,

the Senate committee voted the bill down on a 3-1 vote, with committee chairman Sen. A.G. Crowe, R-Slidell, not casting a vote.

Peterson urged lawmakers to approve the bill, which would have allowed employees to accrue one hour of paid sick leave for every forty hours worked, with a 52-hour cap on paid sick time.

While many white-collar workers receive paid sick time, people who prepare food in restaurants, clean hotels or hold other low-wage jobs often don't. As a result, many go to work sick, which can be a public health risk, supporters of Peterson's bill said. Connecticut and Massachusetts have passed paid sick leave laws, they said.

"Everybody gets sick," said Peterson, who estimates 700,000 Louisiana workers don't get sick pay. "People who are not working, they don't have this problem; (this is) for productive people contributing to the economy."

## GRADUATION

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laude is a 3.7 to a 3.89 and a cum laude is a 3.5 to a 3.69.

Superintendent of Schools Dr. Dan Rawls says the reason for phasing it out is so that it wouldn't affect the outgoing classes.

"You may have five kids that are summa cum laude, you may have eight that are magna cum laude and 15 that are cum laude," he said. "Before, you would have a valedictorian and a salutatorian and that's all you would have."

He says he agrees with

the state's decision to make this change because it allows more students to the opportunities for scholarships to college.

"We had a lot of universities that would recruit students because they were valedictorian," he said.

Also, he says, it took away the possibility of favoritism upon choosing a valedictorian and salutatorian.

"(It was) to alleviate any discussion or contamination of grades," he said. "They went to a system they felt was more fair, that it truly recognized outstanding academic

achievement. I think that over the years, there was a lot of criticism over the valedictorian and salutatorian procedures, and I think the state just took the bull by the horns and we're going go to a university recognition system."

This system has been implemented statewide, Rawls said.

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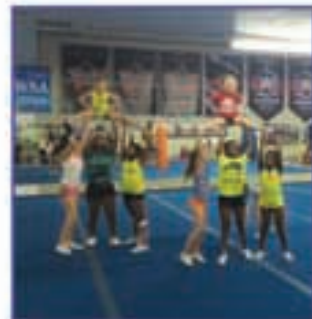
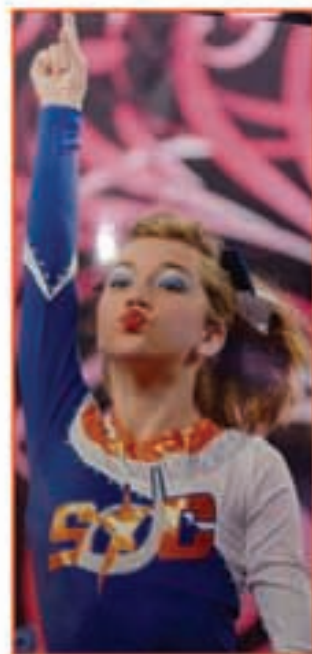


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