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LOUISIANA LEGISLATURE

## Open burn resolution passes to House

### Reynolds pulls Coroner, City Judge bill

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BATON ROUGE — House Concurrent Resolution 172, a resolution that would ban the acceptance of hazardous waste munitions at Camp Minden, passed to the House floor with a unanimous vote.

That's according to state Rep. Gene Reynolds, who has led the way legislatively to stop the open burn of millions of pounds of M6 artillery propellant stored at Camp Minden.

"It passed to the House floor with complete support and several members of the committee adding their names as co-

authors," Reynolds said in a post to his constituents. "My testimony was information about our journey with the M6 issue and ended with the statement that we, the people of District 10 and surrounding areas, are telling the Louisiana Military Department that we never want Camp Minden to receive

any waste explosives again, EVER."

In part, the resolution reads, "Therefore, be it resolved, that the Louisiana Legislature does hereby direct the Louisiana National Guard not accept waste explosives at Camp



**REYNOLDS**

Minden brought into the state after August 1, 2015."

This resolution is only part of a hard-fought battle to keep the environment and the people living in the surrounding areas of Camp Minden safe.

In recent months, the people came together and formed an EPA-sponsored dialogue committee to suggest other alternatives

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## Giving the Gift



### Record turn out for blood drive

LifeShare Blood representative Mary Jo Henderson says a record number turned out for the 'Cuffs and Hoses' blood drive Friday and totals and the winner will be announced Monday. Top, Captain Brent Hunt with the Minden Fire Department, left, along with wife Catherine Hunt, center, and Amanda Adkins donate blood during blood drive. Left, Jacqueline Sanders takes a selfie while donating blood. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald

WEBSTER CRIME

## Traffic stop for speeding leads to arrest

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A Minden man found himself under arrest after a Webster Parish Sheriff's deputy stopped him for speeding.

Roger M. Sneed, 42, of the 700 block of Horton St., was arrested Friday, May 22, and charged with resisting an officer, speeding, driving under suspension and no insurance. Bond was set at \$2,000.

According to reports, Deputy Coby Barton initiated a traffic stop on Highway 371 north on a vehicle that appeared to be speeding. Reports indicate Sneed told the deputy he left his driver's license at home and could not provide a copy of his auto insurance.

When Barton ran a check



**SNEED**

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MAKING A DIFFERENCE

## Partnership between Wild Goose Ministries, NWPCC possible

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A way to reach out to pregnant women may become possible for north Webster Parish if a partnership between an outreach ministry and the Northwest Pregnancy Care Center comes to fruition.

During a Coordinated Community Response Team meeting, these two organizations began discussion on how to partner

together. Mitch Stubblefield, with Wild Goose Outreach Ministries in Springhill, says among the many things they do, they minister to pregnant teens and women who have no place to turn and thinks if this partnership can come together, it would further strengthen the services they offer.

Wild Goose is an outreach with the ultimate goal of teaching others about the love of Jesus

Christ, Stubblefield says. "The initial founding part of Wild Goose was Life Recovery Bible Study," he said, "where we teach principles of life. The founding factor is a relationship with Jesus Christ, but below that how do you deal with the anger in your life, the sense of rejection in your life? How do you deal in real terms they can understand? It's more hands-on."

Lisa Gould, executive director of the Northwest Louisiana Pregnancy Care

Center, says she's open to the possibility of forming a partnership to broaden their outreach.

"It could be a possibility," she said. "We are a nonprofit, and we can't take federal funds. It would have to be further investigated, but possibly so. We'd love to open more centers around, because we believe that it's the hands and feet of Christ."

He offered to provide office space to NWPCC if they could come to

Springhill once per week.

She talked about the organization and what they offer. It's more than just offering clothing and diapers to pregnant women. They offer faith-based parenting classes, counseling for those who have had abortions and for a condition called post-abortion syndrome, or PAS.

PAS is akin to post-traumatic stress disorder. PTSD

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MINDEN CRIME

## Minden man arrested on third DWI charge

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A Minden man was arrested for driving while intoxicated after he was found passed out in his vehicle, sheriff's deputies say.

William Austin Noble, 53, of the 100 block of Goodwill Road, was arrested Friday, May 22, and charged with DWI (third offense) and reckless operation. Bond was set at \$21,000.

According to reports,

Deputy Troy Walker and Lt. Luster Coleman found Noble passed out in his vehicle in the ditch of the on-ramp to Interstate 20 at Goodwill Road. Noble was offered medical treatment but refused, deputies say.

Coleman says he detected a strong odor of alcoholic beverages coming from Noble's person and conducted field sobriety tests. Following the third test, deputies suspended them for the suspect's safety, reports say.

Noble was then placed under arrest for the above charges and taken to the sheriff's office for a breathalyzer test. Noble refused.

He was then transported to Bayou Dorcheat Correctional Center.



**NOBLE**



**Captain Guy Mandino with the Minden Fire Department prepares to give blood Friday during the 'Cuffs and Hoses' blood drive.** Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald

CRIME TRACKER

## Minden Arrest Report

Arrests for the week of May 21 through May 29

### Minden Police Department

Levi Dance, 20, 200 block of Crestview Drive in Minden. Fugitive from Lincoln Parish.

Steve Studdard, 23, 200 block of W. Roosevelt in Minden. Charged with no driver's license.

Heather Wiltcher, 22, 200 block of W. Roosevelt in Minden. Fugitive from Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office.

John Hollingsworth, 28. Charged with aggravated battery by domestic violence.

Kegan J. Sears, 17, 100 block of Couchwood Drive in Minden. Charged with drinking in public.

Decarrio Maknoy, 31, 1400 block of Lewisville Road in Minden. Charged with tumultuous activities.

Eddy Cato, 52, 100 block of Alexander Street in Minden. Charged with disturbing the peace by intoxication.

Nikki Lyons, 24, 800 block of Fincher Road in Minden. Charged with disturbing the peace by loud music.

Edward Pauley, 41, 5200 block of Highway 371 in Heflin. Charged with improper display, no driver's license, expired license plate, loud mufflers, pos-

session of Schedule II CDS (meth) with intent to distribute, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Kenneth Andy, 57, 1000 block of Dodge Street in Minden. Charged with public drunkenness.

Tristin Waldron, 19, 3000 block of Clark Street in Minden. Charged with loitering.

Jacob Anderson, 22, 1400 block of Cynthia Lane in Bossier City. Charged with theft.

Gwendolyn McCann, 21, 500 block of West Marshall in Minden. Charged with failure to register vehicle and no driver's license on person.

Lakedrick Mims, 28, 200 block of Virginia Avenue in Minden. Charged with disturbing the peace and public intoxication.

Edwin J. Schuler, 28, 600 block of McIntyre in Minden. Charged with running a stop sign, general speed, and possession of Schedule I CDS (marijuana), third offense.

Michael Moffett, 30, 1210 Bonnie Lane in Minden. Charged with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and probation warrant.

Thomas Adams, 30, 700 block of Main Street in Minden. Charged with simple possession of Schedule I CDS (marijuana) and running a stop sign.

## PREGNANCY

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is a condition where a person undergoes a traumatic experience that is beyond their normal ability to cope. PAS is proposed as a subset of PTSD. PAS occurs when women experience a specific set of emotions following an

abortion. Those emotions may include what's called impact-grieving, which means a woman may have the inability to complete the grieving process.

NWPCC also offers outreach on pregnancy health, sexually transmitted diseases and a pro-life approach to pregnancy.

"We are here in Minden to offer clients free pregnancy testing, we counsel

with them about STDs and abstinence," she said. "We talk to them about their options with what they want to do with their pregnancy, and hopefully we can share with them the love of Christ and what His plan is for their life."

Both organizations work off private donations. While NWPCC does get some state funding,

the majority of their needs are met through the generosity of donations. Wild Goose runs strictly off private donations.

For more information on the pregnancy center, call Gould at 318-639-0907 or for more information on Wild Goose Outreach Ministries, call Stubblefield at 318-578-1534.

## mmc mark your calendar



### support groups



### classes



### events



#### Senior Friends Bingo

Tuesday, June 9th 3-4pm  
MMC Cafeteria

FREE to Senior Friends Members

You must show your Senior Friends member card to attend. If you are not a Minden Medical Center Senior Friends member please come early if you would like to sign up.

#### Save the Date!

#### Free Skin Cancer Screenings

Tuesday, July 21st, 10am-2pm  
Webb Family Medicine  
101 Murrell Street Suite 2  
318-377-3535

#### Alzheimer's

Second Thursday of each month 4pm  
MMC Senior Care – 5th Floor Room 546  
Open to family members and caregivers.  
371-5669

#### Diabetes

Third Thursday of each month 6pm -  
MMC Cafeteria. 318-377-2589 or 318-377-0060

#### Stroke

First Thursday of each month 4-5pm  
Inpatient Rehab Gym 3rd Floor  
Open to stroke survivors and caregivers  
318-371-5638

#### Breastfeeding

First & third Thursday of each month  
10:30-11:30am  
The Women's Clinic ultrasound waiting room  
Facilitated by Lactation Consultant, Kelli Waller, join expecting and new moms in a relaxed and comfortable conversation about breastfeeding. Nursing babies are welcome.  
318-272-5194

#### Breastfeeding Mentor Program

We are currently looking for women who have had a successful breastfeeding experience and are interested in supporting other women to nurse their babies. If you are interested, please let us know at  
www.mindenmedicalcenter.com/breastfeedingmentor

#### Breastfeeding Class

Third Tuesday of each month - 6:00-8:30pm  
MMC Ed Building 729 Main Street  
318-371-5660

#### Prepared Childbirth Classes

Second Monday of each month  
6:00-8:00pm - MMC Ed Building, 729 Main Street  
318-371-3242

#### Joint Camp

Mondays at 8:00am • MMC 2nd Floor  
318-382-4083

Education on what to expect before, during & after surgery for patients scheduled for hip or knee replacement surgery.

#### Senior Fitness

Every Tuesday morning from 10:00-11:00am  
Minden Presbyterian Church \$5 per class  
Join us to improve your physical fitness through focusing on balance, stretching, strengthening and flexibility  
318-371-3218

LOUISIANA WEATHER

## Water from TX, OK heading to NW La along Red River

High water is flooding farmland along the Red River in northwest Louisiana, and is likely to remain for months, the National Weather Service said Sunday.

Sandbags are available for rural residents, the Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office said in an email.

The weather service said the Red was above 30 feet at Shreveport on Sunday for the first time since 1990, as floodwaters drain from Texas and Oklahoma. A 34-foot crest is expected Saturday at Shreveport, hydro-meteorologist Aaron Stevens said in a telephone interview from the agency's Shreveport office.

That's likely to cut off traffic

to and from a large riverfront apartment complex in Shreveport, though the apartments probably will stay dry, he said.

"We're going to be having high water clear through to July," Stevens said. Street flooding should go down quickly, but lower cropland and pastures are likely to stay flooded for some time, he said.

"We're at maximum capacity on a lot of the lakes. ... And water's starting to back up," he said.

The sheriff's office said sandbags were available Sunday for rural residents at Caddo Public Works Fleet Services, and will be available there during the week from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Minor flooding — "not anything out of the ordinary" for spring — is expected on the Ouachita River in northeast Louisiana, he said.

The Red is likely to reach flood stage in Alexandria on Monday and crest at near 35 feet by the end of the week, said Montra Lockwood, a weather service meteorologist in Lake Charles. That's likely to close some roads and boat launches, and might close a railroad bridge at Boyce and flood a few rural homes around smaller rivers, she said.

The city of Alexandria should stay dry, she said.

## Webster Court News

Court News May 22, 2015

Savannah Cox: Pled guilty to possession of marijuana or synthetic cannabinoids. Sentenced to 30 days in the Webster Parish Jail, suspended. Six months active supervised probation. Must pay \$500 plus court costs plus one \$50 fee. If paid early, probation will revert to unsupervised.

Germylun K. Hawkins: Pled guilty to two counts of criminal damage to property, attempted simple escape and simple burglary. On the criminal damage to property counts, he was sentenced to six months suspended, each to run concurrent, two years active supervised probation to run concurrent. Must pay restitution in the amount of \$5,893. On the simple escape charge, he was sentenced to one year at hard labor at the Louisiana Department of Corrections, suspended, one year active supervised probation,

time to run concurrent. On the simple burglary charge, he was sentenced to eight years at hard labor at the Louisiana Department of Corrections, suspended all but one year, credit for time served. Four years active supervised probation, must pay court costs and restitution.

Ryan Eugene Hicks: Pled not guilty to harassing phone calls. Trial is set for August 7.

Aaron M. Nelson: Bench warrant, bond forfeiture on a charge of possession of marijuana or synthetic cannabinoids.

Jason Aaron Scott: Pled not guilty to three counts of theft of \$1,500 or more, two counts of simple burglary, three counts of conspiracy to commit felony theft and two counts of conspiracy to commit simple burglary. Status conference set for June 29 with trial set for November 2.

Sean Welch: A warrant was issued for telephone harassment and simple assault.

OBITUARIES

### Ann H. Black

Funeral services for Ann Black will be at 10 a.m., Tuesday, June 2, 2015 at Rose-Neath Funeral Home Chapel in Minden. Interment will follow at Greenwood Cemetery in Shreveport. The family will receive friends from 5 until 7 p.m., Monday, June 1, 2015 at Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden.

Ann was born May 19, 1932, in Bethany

and entered into death May 29, 2015 in Minden.

She was preceded in death by her husband Robert Black and her parents William and Mildred Hall.

She is survived by her sons, William A. Anderson and James P. Patrick; daughters, Edith Wells; brother, Sammy Hall; grandchildren, Kathy Shaw, William



BLACK

Anderson and Steven Anderson; and great-grandchildren Makaylin and Robert Gordon.

### Cathey Jean James

Funeral services for Cathey Jean James was at 10 a.m., Monday, June 1, 2015, at Rose-Neath Funeral Home Chapel in Minden with the Rev. Tommy Ocon officiating. Interment will follow at Gardens of Memory in Minden. The family received friends

from 5 until 7 p.m. Sunday, May 31, 2015 at Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden.

Cathey was born October 14, 1951, in Jonesboro and entered into rest May 28, 2015, in Shreveport.

She is survived by her husband, Howard James of Minden; sons, Tommy D. James of Minden, Donnie James of Waldo, Arkansas; daughter, Pamela James of Minden; sisters, Barbara Price of Saline, Cherylone Hood of Saline; nine grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

## BILLS

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to the open tray burn method of disposal of the M6 propellant left behind by Expro Systems, Inc.

One of six methods suggested was chosen — and it wasn't the open tray burn. A review committee looked at 10 bids and recommended Explosive Services International, a Baton Rouge-based company that will dispose of the M6 by contained burn with a pollution abate-

ment system that is supposed to keep hazardous gases produced by burning from entering the atmosphere.

**Coroner's Bill**  
Reynolds says he's pulling the coroner's bill that would have put on the ballot an ad valorem tax to support the Webster Parish Coroner's Office to relieve municipalities and the police jury from having to pay the heavy costs associated with the coroner's office — such as autopsies.

He says the reason he pulled the bill is because

within the next year a new coroner will come in. Even though it's garnered support in Baton Rouge, Reynolds says some are saying it would be a better idea to wait until next year.

"The coroner people have said they didn't want to bring it before the people this fall," he said. "It would be the next fall. We will just pull that bill intact and bring it up again next year when the new coroner comes in and see what they want to do."

**City Judge Bill**  
This bill, that would

generate a little more income for Minden City Judge's office and Ward I, has been pulled.

Reynolds says it met some opposition, and it needs more work.

"It's not a piece of legislation that I think is ready, so I'm pulling it," he said.

City Judge Sherb Sentell says if the bill had gone through, it would have helped generate more

funding to allow them to purchase new court software as well as employ a juvenile officer and offer programs to the youth who come through city court.

## SNEED

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on Sneed, dispatch informed him the suspect was driving under suspension and a warrant had been issued for that offense, reports indicate. Sneed was placed under arrest and transported to Bayou Dorcheat Correctional Center.

When they arrived at BDCC and the deputy was filling out the paperwork for booking, Sneed allegedly admitted to giving a false name, thereby garnering the resisting charge.

**BIRTHDAYS FOR MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2015**

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# OPINION

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PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

## Pass the USA Freedom Act

Editor's note: The following speech was made Saturday, May 30, 2015.

As President and Commander in Chief, my greatest responsibility is the safety of the American people. And in our fight against terrorists, we need to use every effective tool at our disposal -- both to defend our security and to protect the freedoms and civil liberties enshrined in our Constitution.

But tomorrow -- Sunday, at midnight -- some important tools we use against terrorists will expire. That's because Congress has not renewed them, and because legislation that would -- the USA Freedom Act -- is stuck in the Senate. I want to be very clear about what this means.

Today, when investigating terrorist networks, our national security professionals can seek a court order to obtain certain business records. Our law enforcement professionals can seek a roving wiretap to keep up with terrorists when they switch cell phones. We can seek a wiretap on so-called lone wolves -- suspected terrorists who may not be directly tied to a terrorist group. These tools are not controversial. Since 9/11, they have been renewed numerous times. FBI Director James Comey says they are "essential" and that losing them would "severely" impact terrorism investigations. But if Congress doesn't act by tomorrow at midnight, these tools go away as well.

The USA Freedom Act also accomplishes something I called for a year and a half ago: it ends the bulk metadata program -- the bulk collection of phone records -- as it currently exists and puts in place new reforms. The government will no longer hold these records; telephone providers will. The Act also includes other changes to our surveillance laws -- including more transparency -- to help build confidence among the American people that your privacy and civil liberties are being protected. But if Congress doesn't act by midnight tomorrow, these reforms will be in jeopardy, too.

It doesn't have to be this way. The USA Freedom Act reflects ideas from privacy advocates, our private sector partners and our national security experts. It already passed the House of Representatives with overwhelming bipartisan support -- Republicans and Democrats. A majority of the Senate -- Republicans and Democrats -- have voted to move it forward.

So what's the problem? A small group of senators is standing in the way. And, unfortunately, some folks are trying to use this debate to score political points. But this shouldn't and can't be about politics. This is a matter of national security. Terrorists like al Qaeda and ISIL aren't suddenly going to stop plotting against us at midnight tomorrow. And we shouldn't surrender the tools that help keep us safe. It would be irresponsible. It would be reckless. And we shouldn't allow it to happen.

So today, I'm calling on Americans to join me in speaking with one voice to the Senate. Put the politics aside. Put our national security first. Pass the USA Freedom Act -- now. And let's protect the security and civil liberties of every American. Thanks very much.

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### ANALYSIS

## List of rejected bills contains high-profile items

Louisiana won't be lifting its ban on sales of unpasteurized milk. Police officers around the state won't be required to wear body cameras. A five-year state vehicle inspection sticker won't be offered to drivers. And government payroll offices likely won't be prohibited from deducting union dues from public worker paychecks.

Those proposals are on an ever-growing list of bills that have been shelved by their sponsors, rejected by lawmakers or stuck in limbo unable to gain enough support to advance any further in the legislative session, with time for revival of the ideas growing short.

The regular session must end by June 11. Among the pile of jettisoned bills are many of the centerpieces of Gov. Bobby Jindal's legislative agenda, a rebuke to the Republican governor who is nearing the end of his second term in office and unable to run again because of term limits.

Lawmakers voted down a proposal pushed by Jindal to give special protections to people who oppose same-sex marriage. The governor issued an executive order that sought to enact some of those provisions anyway, but questions linger about its legality. In addition, Jindal's efforts to prohibit the use of the Common Core education standards in Louisiana's public schools have fizzled.

Lawmakers instead agreed to a compromise that calls for a review of the standards and may — or may not — get rid of Common Core after Jindal's out of the governor's office. The governor jumped on board, after the agreement was clearly moving through the Legislature with or without him.

And many of Jindal's ideas for raising new revenue to help close next year's budget shortfall have been sidelined or heavily rewritten, giving him little stamp so far on the budget proposal that moved out of the House. Whether senators will weave back in more of the governor's proposals remains to be seen.

The list of measures shot down by lawmakers is much broader than just Jindal's agenda. Lawmakers again refused proposals to expand Louisiana's Medicaid program as authorized the federal health overhaul. But legislation nearing final passage would provide a financing mechanism to help Louisiana pay for an expansion if the state's next governor is interested, showing lawmakers haven't entirely shut the door on the idea.

Some lawmakers shelved their own bills rather than watch them get defeated, like a proposal that would have required police officers to wear body cameras or a measure that would have outlawed allowing children under the age of 12 to fire an Uzi submachine gun.

Other legislators pushed their bills only to see them fail at their first committee hearing. That's what happened to a proposal to repeal a seven-year-old law that allows public school science teachers to use supplemental materials in

their classrooms, criticized as a backdoor way to introduce creationism in science classes. Also refused at their first hearing were proposals to: give all Louisiana workers paid sick days, to allow sales of raw milk from farmers to the public, to let citizens enact laws through ballot initiatives and to add new regulations to cable television providers.

A contentious anti-union bill, to ban automatically-deducted union dues from public worker paychecks, won approval from a House committee, only to sputter on the House floor. Debate on the idea was scrapped amid push-back from teachers, police officers and firefighters — not the kind of floor fight most lawmakers want to have in an election year.

That proposal was a key initiative of the Louisiana Association of Business and Industry, a powerful lobbying group that has seen many of its high-profile issues sputter. Its package of "judicial transparency" bills to require more disclosure of judicial contracts and court budgets failed to get out of a House committee.

Jettisoned by a Senate committee after getting overwhelming support from the House was a proposal to add a new legal restriction banning gender-based "sex-selection" abortions.

In the final two weeks of the session, lawmakers appear to be focusing on the issue that was supposed to be grabbing their attention all along: the state's finances. But many of the discarded proposals rejected this year are certain to appear again next year.

Melinda Deslatte covers the Louisiana Capitol for The Associated Press.



MELINDA DESLATTE

### PERSPECTIVE

## Shocking sloppiness won't doom the health reforms

How many politicians, aides, lobbyists, lawyers, insurance moguls, professional groups and interns — both the political and medical kind — agonized over the details in the Affordable Care Act? The number is big.

But despite thousands of hands in the kitchen, the final product included four words that cast doubt on a cornerstone of the reforms — subsidies for those buying coverage on federal health insurance exchanges. Unbelievable.

Die-hard foes of the reforms have weaponized those words as a means to kill the law. They argue in the Supreme Court case *King v. Burwell* that specifically offering subsidies for plans bought on exchanges "established by the State" means no help for those going to federal exchanges.

Since the program started, low- and middle-income Americans have been receiving tax credits for coverage on both types of exchanges. Almost everyone assumes that's how it's supposed to be.

Take away subsidies for federal exchanges and only the sickly will join it. The economic structure underpinning guaranteed coverage will collapse as premiums charged for plans on federal exchanges soar and the healthy stay away in droves.

The plaintiffs, though they come from the right, are doing their Republican colleagues no favor. You see, when the Affordable Care Act created federal exchanges in states that had not set up their own, leaders in Republican-controlled states could noisily defy President Obama while taking few political risks. They could refuse to set up state exchanges knowing that their constituents would enjoy subsidized coverage on the federal exchanges.

Lose those subsidies and Republican politicians are going to have a lot of angry people on their hands. Some 7.5 million Americans receive subsidies on federal exchanges.

Hypocrisy now crashes over the Republicans' wall of opposition to the Affordable Care Act.

Politicians are currently rewriting the story of their obstruction of a law that they dread could come apart. An exasperating example is Olympia Snowe, a former senator from Maine who fancies herself a moderate Republican. During the battle for the bill's passage, she strung Obama along for months, pretending that she might provide him at least one Republican vote. (Why Obama indulged these stalling tactics ... perhaps his memoirs will tell.)

Anyhow, Snowe recently commented that the little words at the heart of the Supreme Court case were unintended. "Why would we have wanted to deny people subsidies?" she said. "It was not their fault if their state did not set up an exchange."

So why did she vote against the bill? She also railed against "Obamacare" as a "government-run health care system," not that this was the case. Until Snowe left the Senate in 2013, she worked with her party to undercut the reforms.

But get this: At the time of the bill's writing, Snowe proposed letting Americans buy cheaper drugs from Canada. It was OK, apparently, for a foreign government to help struggling Mainers obtain health care but not for their own.

One expects the health reforms to survive this latest assault. The best outcome would be the Supreme Court's confirming that the words were a mistake and that yes, subsidies for the federal health exchange are legal.

If the court says no, politicians in states relying on federal exchanges could swing into action and set up some form of state exchange. And the Obama administration would probably make it easy for them.

The bipartisan takeaway here is the appalling state of American governance. We now hear from all sides that omission of subsidies for the federal exchanges was "sloppy," "careless," "inadvertent," "a drafting error." Actually, it was inexcusable.

But let's move on. Follow Froma Harrop on Twitter @FromaHarrop. She can be reached at fharrop@gmail.com.



FROMA HARROP

ARTS IN MINDEN

# Earth Camp begins June 8

STAFF REPORTS

Every summer for more than 15 years, Cultural Crossroads has sponsored eARTH Camp, an art camp for kids.

Designed for children ages 6-16, the weeklong camps are at The Farm, a four-acre homestead owned and managed by the non-profit arts agency.

Beginning Monday, June 8, the cost of the art camp is \$125 per child. Each camper will receive a free "Earth Camp" t-shirt. All art supplies are included as well as daily snacks and drinks.

Registration forms are available online at [www.artsinminden.com](http://www.artsinminden.com). There is limited enrollment and interested parties are encouraged to enroll early. Registration forms may be picked up at The Farm any Tuesday or Thursday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Deadline to register is Friday, June 5.

"Earth Camp incorporates art processes with recycling and includes the creative use of raw and natural materials," Dani Deshotel, artist and Earth Camp coordinator, said.

Dates for each camp are June 8-12, from 9 a.m. until noon; June 22-26, from 1:30 until 4:30 p.m. (ages 6-

8 only); and July 13-17, from 9 a.m. until noon.

Earth Camp offers youngsters a variety of art projects and processes from sculpting to painting. While previous summer camps were outdoors or under The Farm's pavilion, this year's campers will enjoy the newly constructed air-conditioned studio called "Zenobia's House."

The Earth Camps were the brainchild of local artist and long-time camp coordinator Chris Broussard. For more than 20 years, Broussard managed the art camps and managed to excite hundreds of children about art. She is passing the paintbrush to another artist.

This year's camp will be instructed by Deshotel, the new executive director of The Farm, an accomplished artist and art major. She will bring a new variety of art processes to this year's camp, which will include a special introduction to clay sculpting and free form clay works.

Other visiting artists to the camp will include Wendy Tisdale, who will bring her art of creating dream catchers.

"We wanted to give the youngsters a chance to experience the arts from a variety of visual artists with different styles and per-



Earth Camp begins Monday, June 8 and the deadline to register is Friday, June 5. Courtesy Photo

spectives," Broussard said. "This year, Mrs. Deshotel will add some new dimensions to the experience by giving kids a chance to explore their creative energies in a number of mediums."

Another guest artist will

include Amy Hood, a popular abstract artist and Bonnie Ferguson, a textile artist and soap maker from Ruston.

"I'm excited to see the kids have an opportunity to learn and work with other professional artists,"

Broussard added.

Returning campers can expect a visit from "Mrs. Chris" sometime during the camp.

The Farm is located at 419 East Union in Minden on the corner of Highway 80 and Talton Street. For

more information, call Deshotel at 268-2122 or email [artsinminden@gmail.com](mailto:artsinminden@gmail.com).

The Earth Camps are self-supporting and all proceeds collected from them support Cultural Crossroads and The Farm project.

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## SPORTS briefs

### NHL

#### Lightning and Blackhawks will clash for the Cup

Between the Chicago Blackhawks' veteran poise and the Tampa Bay Lightning's young stars, the Stanley Cup Final will have no shortage of dynamic offensive talent playing on hockey's biggest stage.

The Blackhawks begin the final series in their quest for a third NHL championship in six seasons when they visit Amalie Arena on Wednesday to face the Lightning, who are going for the second Stanley Cup title in franchise history after streaking through the Eastern Conference bracket with a series of gutsy victories.

Both teams got to the last round in dramatic fashion, winning Game 7 on the road in the conference finals. Here are some reasons to watch these franchises' first postseason meeting:

**ORIGINAL SIX:** The Lightning are the first team in NHL history to play four Original Six teams in the postseason, staring down the history and tradition that comes with facing off against the oldest teams in hockey. Tampa Bay knocked off Detroit, Montreal and the New York Rangers, and the Lightning youngsters didn't flinch when they had to play Game 7 at Madison Square Garden against Rangers goalie Henrik Lundqvist. The Blackhawks will respect that old-school moxie.

**EXPERIENCE COUNTS:** The Lightning had just one playoff appearance in the previous three years before this spring, so this is still new to most of them. The Blackhawks have been among the NHL's top teams for seven seasons now, making five conference finals and winning three of them. Chicago has played in just about every big-game situation imaginable since 2009. One added bonus: the stands in Tampa are guaranteed to be filled with a healthy contingent of Blackhawks fans cheering through the anthem.

**SPEED AND ENDURANCE:** "I think the thing that stands out to me is their team speed and their skill level up front," Blackhawks defenseman Duncan Keith said of Tampa Bay. Keith knows how to handle speed after playing extraordinary minutes in the Blackhawks' seven-game victory over the fleet-footed Ducks. Chicago only used four defensemen extensively against Anaheim, but those four had little trouble keeping up. They've only got one series left to chase after Tampa Bay's Triplets line and Stamkos, and Keith only laughs when asked about his supernatural conditioning.

**GOALIE CHALLENGE:** Corey Crawford backstopped Chicago to the 2013 Stanley Cup, but he also got pulled from the lineup during the first round of this postseason. Tampa Bay's Ben Bishop has already played 20 games in the postseason, and his last five against the Rangers were either shutouts (two at Madison Square Garden) or five-goal disappointments (3). We'll soon know whether Crawford's experience trumps the 6-foot-7 Bishop's unusual matchup qualities.

## COLLEGE SOFTBALL

# LSU LADIES ELIMINATED



OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. – Hoping to find the magic that helped send them to the 2015 Women's College World Series in the first place, the No. 8 LSU softball team faced the tall order of needing to defeat the Michigan Wolverines twice on Sunday in the tournament semifinals, and started out putting the Big Ten opposition on the ropes early before a three-run inning in the bottom of the sixth broke a 3-all tie ending the team's season with a 6-3 loss Sunday afternoon at ASA Hall of Fame Stadium – OGE Energy Field.

The back-and-forth affair by both sides made for a thrilling contest between two of the final four teams left playing in the nation on Sunday, as the Tigers (52-14) earned the lead twice, only to see the Wolverines (59-6) come back to knot the game in either the same or next half inning before Michigan scored the three runs it needed to take its only lead in the sixth and hold on for the win.

Junior infielder Sandra Simmons led LSU at the plate offensively, going 2-for-3 with a run scored, accounting for a pair of the team's six hits in the contest, while Bailey Landry was the only player to drive in multiple RBIs, and going 1-for-4 to drive in two on a double.

Pitching a bulk of the postseason innings, freshman Carley Hoover (18-7) suffered the loss as she pitched 5.1 innings and allowed six runs, five earned, on eight hits with four walks and three strikeouts, as Allie Walljasper came on in relief and pitched 0.2 innings with a strikeout.

Michigan's Megan Betsa



Associated Press Photo

started the game for the Wolverines, but it was Haylie Wagner (24-2) earning the win by pitching the final 3.1 innings of the game and allowing just two hits with a walk and five strikeouts. Betsa and Wagner combined to strikeout 10 LSU batters on the



HOOVER

day, as Betsa allowed three runs on four hits in 3.2 innings.

Lindsay Montemarano went 2-for-2 with a double and a run scored, while Sierra Lawrence drove in two runs to lead Michigan at the plate offensively. Michigan finished the day with eight hits as a group, coming from just five players.

After both pitchers locked in on the opposing sides after the first inning, LSU started to find its rhythm as with an out in the top of the second Kellsie Kloss drew a walk to take first. Simmons followed up with a slow dribbler past second base to put runners at the corners, which allowed Constance Quinn to bring in the LSU catcher with a sacrifice fly to center to make it 1-0.

LSU needed to get out of a jam quickly, as in the bottom half of that same scoring inning for the Tigers, a walk put a runner on for the Wolverines. A fielder's choice with the force out at second was the first out, but a single to left put two on for Michigan. A popup to second put the designated home team on the brink, but a wild pitch left a base open which was soon filled with a walk. Fortunately, a fly out to left ended the threat.

With two outs in the top

of the third, Bianca Bell reached on an error and Savannah Jaquish was plunked to put two on for LSU looking to start another two-out rally, but a grounder to first ended the inning.

One swing of the bat tied the game in the bottom of the third, as Sierra Romero lifted one high down the left field line that cleared the fence for the solo home run making it a 1-1 game.

A bunt single by Simmons put the lead runner on base for LSU in the top of the fourth, as she stole second on a strikeout. Sydney Bourg singled up the middle and advanced to second on the throw as Simmons stayed at third on the play to put two in scoring position.

A strikeout gave the Tigers two outs, but a walk to A.J. Andrews loaded them up for Landry who drilled one into left center to drive in two to make it 3-1 LSU. Michigan came back in

the bottom half of the inning and with an out, got a double to the gap in left center to put a runner in scoring position. After a running grab at short for the second out, a single to straight center scored another Wolverine run to cut the LSU lead to 3-2. A double steal and an error on the throw to third allowed another run to cross to tie the game at 3-3.

In the bottom of the sixth, Michigan started its rally with a walk, before a fielder's choice bunt grounder put out the lead runner at second for the first out. An infield single and a bloop single to center loaded the bases for the Wolverines, with a double down the left field line breaking it open to drive in two, with another run scoring on a double steal to make it 6-3.

LSU finishes third overall, earning that placing for the third time in four trips to the Women's College World Series in program history.

## COLLEGE BASEBALL

# NCAA postpones LSU-UNCW

BATON ROUGE (AP) — LSU Athletic Director Joe Alleva criticized the NCAA for postponing the Tigers' tournament game against UNC Wilmington on Sunday night, calling it a "ridiculous decision."

"The NCAA made a decision and they didn't give me a reason," Alleva said during an impromptu news conference. "There is a guideline that says that you are not allowed to start a game after 11 p.m. We could have easily started this game at 10:15 p.m."

NCAA officials at the Baton Rouge Regional declined comment and forwarded all questions to Alleva. The LSU AD said he was informed of the move during a phone call from NCAA official Damani Leech.

"He is the coordinator of all baseball events," Alleva said. "I tried to talk him out of

moving the game, but I wasn't successful. He gave no reason why. I personally hold him responsible for this."

LSU (50-10) would advance to the Super Regionals with a win over UNC Wilmington (41-17) today at noon.

The Seahawks would have had to play a third game in 24 hours if the game against LSU had been played Sunday — which would have worked in the rested Tigers' favor.

"Frankly, it's a ridiculous decision," Alleva said. "It hurts from the standpoint that when you're in the winner's bracket, you have the competitive advantage. That competitive advantage has been negated by this decision. It's sad for our team and even worse for our fans."

"A terrible decision by the NCAA. Period."

## MINDEN BASEBALL

# Keough voted All-District



Minden High 2015 graduate Austin Keough was voted to the district 1-4A All-District first team as an outfielder for his play this season. Keough hit .402 with 20 RBI for the Tide. Press-Herald Photo/Blake Branch

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CBS NEWS

## It's a wrap for CBS' Bob Schieffer at 'Face the Nation'

Bob Schieffer won't see you next Sunday when CBS' "Face the Nation" airs with a new lineup of politicians and pundits.

He moderated his final broadcast Sunday after 24 years, ending a journalism career that started at age 20 at a radio station in Fort Worth, Texas.

During the show, the 78-year-old Schieffer said he tried to "remember that the news is not about the newscaster, it's about the people who make it and those who are affected by it. I'll be honest, I'm going to miss being in the middle of things."

He said he would never forget the trust that he said viewers placed in him and "how nice you were to have me as a guest in your home over so many years."

It's been the news that mattered for Schieffer, and Sunday's show reflected

that — timely interviews with CIA Director John Brennan and former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush. In recent years, "Face the Nation" has been highly competitive in the ratings with its network rivals.

From the time he was in the 9th grade and saw his byline in the school paper, Schieffer wanted to be a reporter.

"When I was a young reporter, I wanted to work for CBS because Walter Cronkite was my hero, and I got a chance to do that," he said. "And after I was here a while, I wanted to be the moderator of 'Face the Nation' and I got to do that, and did it for 24 years. Maybe it's because I just love the news, but at the time I thought every job I ever had was the best job in the world."

And that's the way it was on Schieffer's farewell.



PRIMETIME TELEVISION

## Nielsen: Super Bowl, 'Walking Dead' among most-tweeted shows

Tweet this: Millions of viewers were firing off those 140-character texts while they watched TV in the season just past. And there were plenty of people reading them.

Nielsen Social has tracked all that digital back-and-forth, and Monday is releasing a report on television-related Twitter activity in the U.S. from Sept. 1, 2014 through May 24, 2015. And while CBS consistently tops the weekly Nielsen

ratings for viewers, it's an also-ran when it comes to Twitter.

Highlights — "Empire" (Fox) was not only a ratings hit in its first season but also a Twitter sensation. A total of 2.4 million tweets were sent addressing the March 18 finale. This made this two-part conclusion the most tweeted series episode since Nielsen Social began tracking TV-related Twitter activity nearly four years ago.

— The "Saturday Night Live" 40th anniversary special (NBC, Feb. 15) set the record among all series for the size of the Twitter TV audience — 9.1 million people — with 1.3 million tweets sent.

— But that was dwarfed by "The 57th Annual Grammy Awards" (CBS, Feb. 8), the season's top entertainment special, with 13.4 million tweets sent. They were seen by an audience of 13.3 million people. A close second:

"The Oscars" (ABC, Feb. 22), with a Twitter TV audience of 13.0 million.

— Not surprisingly, "Super Bowl XLIX" (NBC, Feb. 1) was the biggest TV event of all on Twitter this season with 16.1 million people seeing tweets about the game, halftime show and ads. A total of 25.1 million tweets were sent.

— "The Walking Dead" (AMC) roused a siege of tweeters to take the lead among series. A total of 1.3

million tweets were sent about the premiere episode on Oct. 12, 2014, reaching 7.4 million people throughout the night. The series had the largest audience on Twitter throughout the season with an average 4.3 million people seeing tweets about each new episode.

— "Dead" was followed in the season-average rankings by "The Bachelor" (ABC), "Game of Thrones" (HBO), "American Horror Story:

Freak Show" (Fox), and "Empire." But the eighth-ranked series was a bit of a surprise: the NBC comedy "Parks and Recreation," which, concluding an acclaimed but none-too-splashy seven-season run, was never a hit among the broader viewing audience. Even so, its Twitter TV audience averaged 2.2 million socially engaged viewers. That's a reminder that, increasingly in the digital age, there's more than one way to be a hit.

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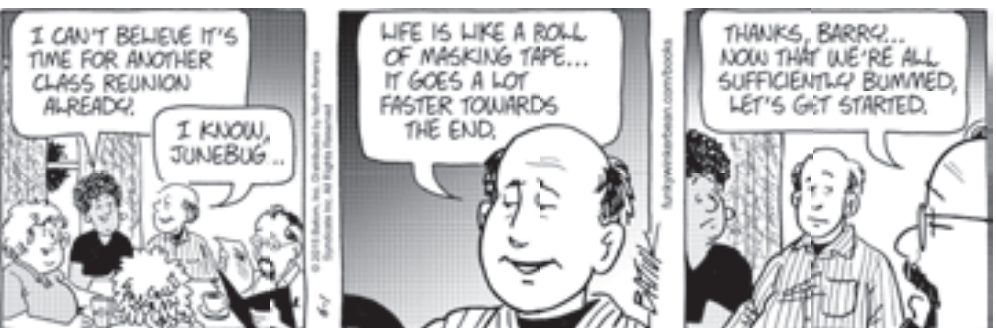
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The 26th Judicial District Public Defender Office Amended Budget for Fiscal Year 2015 will be available for inspection on June 15, 2015 at 221 Main Street, Minden, Louisiana. A copy of the amended budget may be examined at that location between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at which time a public hearing will be held. Public comments are invited.

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**NOTICE**

Public Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on June 22, 2015 at 5:30 pm in the North Webster Parish Industrial District's Office located at 117 Loading Dock Drive, Cullen, La. Among items on the agenda will be the proposed budget for fiscal year of 2015-2016. Copies of the budget are available for public review in the office of the North Webster Parish Industrial District. The following are summary budgets as proposed. The District has compiled with the Local Government Budget Acts. North Webster Parish Industrial District Summary Budget Fiscal Year July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016

General Fund (GF) Revenues	3,707,578.96
Expenses & other uses	3,808,988.00
GF Net Gain/(Loss) from Operations	(101,409.10)
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Transfer from General Fund	60,000
EF Net Gain/(Loss) from Operations	5,000
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North Webster Parish Industrial District (NWPID) Board of Directors (BOD) MINUTES - Regular Meeting Monday, April 20, 2015 - 5:30 P.M. 117 Loading Dock Drive, Cullen, LA 71021

Present: Jeff Harper, Denny McMullan, Randy Sexton, David Smith, Terry Revelle; John Slattery, NWPID attorney; Mike Dunaway, Brittany Gaddis, Rebecca Martin (staff). A quorum was present. Absent: Lamar Smith and Keith Chanler. Guests: None

Jeff Harper, Chair, called the meeting to order. Financial Report McMullan motioned payment of bills in the amounts of \$509,333.85 be accepted as presented. David Smith seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously. Martin noted \$453,654.16 represented IntegriCo construction costs and eligible for reimbursement through LED; \$34,524.79 furniture costs would be reimbursed through IntegriCo directly. McMullan motioned the Financial Report be accepted as presented. Revelle seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes David Smith motioned the March 16th Minutes be approved as presented. Sexton seconded motion; motion carried unanimously.

Water Superintendent's Report Martin and Dunaway reported on the progress of the DRA/Mohr Associates water well. Discussion followed regarding bid responses for well site completion.

TGS Contractors submitted the lowest bid.

Executive Director's Report Martin reviewed activity since the previous meeting including progress and forthcoming Job Fair logistics, and recent LED site visit.

Old Business Slattery reviewed the IntegriCo/Furniture Lease terms. McMullan motioned to grant Chair authority to enter into the Furniture Lease Agreement as presented. David Smith seconded motion; motion carried unanimously.

Slattery reviewed the terms of the current Lease Agreement with CSP/ Blue Bldg. McMullan motioned to authorize Chair to publish Notice of Intent to Lease as required. Revelle seconded motion; motioned passed unanimously.

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New Business Revelle motioned to retain CSRS (Baton Rouge) to coordinate the LED Site Certification process. David Smith seconded motion; motion carried unanimously.

David Smith motioned to award TGS Contractors for the completion of the DRA well. McMullan seconded motion; motion carried unanimously. David Smith motioned to adjourn. Revelle seconded motion; motion carried unanimously. Respectfully Submitted

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Approved Keith Chanler Secretary / Treasurer

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| <b>ACROSS</b>                   | <b>34</b> Long skirt            | <b>2</b> Homer's interjection | <b>20</b> Upper limit             |
| <b>1</b> Mid-month date         | <b>35</b> Goose-bump-inducing   | <b>3</b> Id counter-part      | <b>21</b> Ostriches' kin          |
| <b>5</b> Get on                 | <b>37</b> Distance              | <b>4</b> Piercing             | <b>22</b> Singer Loretta          |
| <b>8</b> Tranquil               | <b>40</b> Pismire               | <b>5</b> Curved lines         | <b>23</b> Long stories            |
| <b>12</b> Ships' warning noises | <b>41</b> Neighborhood          | <b>6</b> Wildebeest           | <b>25</b> Brochure                |
| <b>14</b> Solo by Renée Fleming | <b>42</b> Classical music lover | <b>7</b> Female hormone       | <b>26</b> Approach                |
| <b>15</b> Time saver            | <b>47</b> Carriage              | <b>8</b> Papa-razzi's need    | <b>27</b> Bat a gnat              |
| <b>16</b> Encounter             | <b>48</b> Usual                 | <b>9</b> War god              | <b>31</b> Dead heat               |
| <b>17</b> "Monty Python" opener | <b>49</b> Hotel furniture       | <b>10</b> Stead type          | <b>33</b> Transplanted body parts |
| <b>18</b> Type of monkey        | <b>50</b> Marble                | <b>11</b> Gymnasts' surfaces  | <b>34</b> Kind of alcohol         |
| <b>20</b> String quartet member | <b>51</b> Needing crutches      | <b>13</b> "Beetle Bailey" dog | <b>36</b> MIT grad, maybe         |
| <b>23</b> Acerbic               |                                 | <b>19</b> Colors              | <b>37</b> Easter entree           |
| <b>24</b> — nitrate             |                                 |                               | <b>38</b> Ontario neighbor        |
| <b>25</b> Beauty contest, e.g.  |                                 |                               | <b>39</b> Require                 |
| <b>28</b> Play on words         |                                 |                               | <b>40</b> From the top            |
| <b>29</b> Wise ones             |                                 |                               | <b>43</b> Eggs                    |
| <b>30</b> Dine                  |                                 |                               | <b>44</b> Okla-homa city          |
| <b>32</b> Frosty, for one       |                                 |                               | <b>45</b> "— the Walrus"          |
|                                 |                                 |                               | <b>46</b> Reuben bread            |

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### Friday's Answers

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