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WEBSTER CRIME

U.S. Marshals arrest man on domestic abuse warrants

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A Princeton man is in jail after the U.S. Marshal's Service picked him up on three Webster warrants.

Justin C. Miller, 32, of the

100 block of Walnut Ridge Lane in Princeton, was arrested Tuesday, June 23, and charged with domestic abuse battery, unauthorized entry of an inhabited dwelling and misdemeanor simple criminal damage to property. Bonds totaled \$87,500.

Webster Parish Sheriff's Chief Deputy Bobby Igo Jr. says the warrants stemmed from a recent incident where Miller was told to stay away from his ex-girlfriend's residence and he did not.



MILLER

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Kenneth Wallace, the Minden chapter president of the NAACP says the Confederate soldier statue at Jacquelyn Park in Minden should have come down a long time ago.
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MISS MINDEN

SET TO COMPETE IN MISS LOUISIANA COMPETITION

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Miss Minden 2015 Baylee Howell has spent the week in Monroe preparing for the Miss Louisiana pageant and says so far it's been a great experience.

"It's been a dream of mine to participate in the Miss Louisiana pageant," Howell said following competition Thursday night. "Getting to represent Minden has made it even better. It has definitely been an exciting week for me. It hasn't all been easy, but definitely worth it. It is an experience I will never forget."

She competed in the talent and on stage portion of the preliminaries Thursday. She competed during the interview portion Tuesday. Friday, she will compete in the evening gown and swimsuit competition.

She has spent the week with 35 other young women vying for the state title and a chance to compete in the Miss America pageant.

She is also the recipient of the Duke of Edinburgh's International Award, an award given to those youth who complete a series of self-improvement exercises in volunteering, physical fitness, skills and expedition.

The top 10 will be chosen

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Should it come down?

Minden NAACP president weighs in on Confederate soldier monument

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With the first two of nine victims of the Charleston, South Carolina church shooting laid to rest and the Confederate flag coming under fire, one man weighs in on the subject.

Kenneth Wallace, the Minden chapter president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, says the Confederate soldier statue at Jacquelyn Park in Minden should have come down a long time ago.

"I've advocated for years personally against the Confederate flag," he said. "It's offensive to me because of the reasons it was founded on. It's offensive because of what my ancestors went through. It's a misrepresentation, and it's really sad to me that it takes the deaths of nine people to really start looking into that."

Nine people were gunned down in a black church in a

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MUSIC EVENT

Country Showdown is tonight at community house

The 34th Annual Country Showdown is coming to Minden tonight.

Real Country 104.5 FM KBEF will be hosting America's largest country music talent search and radio promotion 7

p.m. at the Minden Community House, located at 711 Gladney St. Admission is free for the event and doors open at 6 p.m.

Eight contestants will be competing for the local title in Min-

den: Cheridy Adams, Travis Chapman, Kenzie Ellington, Ciara Gibson, London McIver, Kelly Nicole, No Name Drive and Ole Whiskey Revival. The winner will advance to the state contest, where prizes

include \$1,000 in cash and the opportunity to receive an expense-paid trip to the national final to compete for \$100,000 and the coveted national title of "Best New Act in Country Music."

The local competition was made possible by the help of local businesses such as Webster Parish Convention and Visitors Bureau, Gibbsland Bank and Trust, Crawfish Hole #2, Red River Chevrolet, Elm

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HEALTHCARE

VOA outreach goes mobile, high tech

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The goal of the Volunteers of America has always been to meet the needs of the communities in which they serve, but now it's going high tech in its rural health outreach.

With a brand new mobile rural health outreach van, veterans who have a hard time reaching their doctor's appointments can meet with a registered nurse for screenings or health information, but if need be, they can also meet with their doctor via satellite.

"The Volunteers of America of North Louisiana was one of five selected by the VA Office of Rural Health to receive a two year grant to create and come up with targeted driven solutions to reach veterans in rural and underserved communities," Tricia Jowell, VOA director of community and media relations, said.

"Some of the barriers are transportation to VA appointments or community-based outreach clinics, waiting once they get to their appointments or not being able to see their provider at all, and parking and benefits."

The van comes equipped with a soundproof room where a patient can discuss their health issues in private with their physician, and with high definition technology, the video quality of the visit is crystal clear. It makes it easier for physicians to examine their patients for things such as dermatology issues where the physician can clearly see the problem area.

Through this mobile unit, veterans who may not have had easy access to the Overton Brooks VA hospital may be able to use the services offered without having to go to the hospital.

Cori Harrington, RN, will be able to provide veterans with patient educa-



The VOA mobile unit comes equipped with high definition technology and a soundproof room for patients to discuss their health issues with their doctor via satellite. One of the biggest outreaches Volunteers of America is seeking to fulfill is health needs of veterans through telehealth. Pictured are Cori Harrington, RN, who will travel with the mobile unit, Suzie Moseley, case manager for north and central Louisiana and Marcus Carter, veteran and driver of the van.

Michelle Bates/Press-Herald

tion, health assessments and some medical services like screenings for diabetes, blood pressure, body mass index and

smoking cessation as well as medication management.

"We're still fine tuning, so there's going to be more

and more that we can offer," Harrington said. "We just have to get in there and see what the needs are."

An estimated 440,000 veterans are served in the Overton Brooks VA Hospi-

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CRIMETRACKER

Webster arrests for the week of June 15

Arrests for the week of June 15

Minden Police Department

Ryan Glaudi Jr, 30, 400 block of Rubicon Road in Benton. Charged with domestic abuse battery.

Anne Eliot Gray, 18, 800 block of Madison in Minden. Charged with general speeding and driving under suspension.

Deborah Ann Nolen, 47, 500 block of Sunset Lane in Minden. Charged with disturbing the peace by profanity.

Ahmad Bishop, 18, 100 block of NE 2nd Avenue in Sibley. Charged with a hit and run and failure to yield.

Cody M. Studdard, 24,

11000 block of Hwy 80 in Dixie Inn. Charged with switched plates, theft, speeding, no insurance, and switched tags.

Robert Carter, 50, 300 block of Gilbert in Minden. Charged with public drunkenness.

Lonnie Burriss, 59, 800 block of Plum Street in Minden. Charged with domestic abuse battery and resisting.

Ronald Samuel Hightower, 17, 100 block of SE 1st Street in Sibley. Charged with criminal mischief.

Joseph M. Short, 17, 2200 block of Timothy Street in Bossier City. Charged with felony criminal damage to property and criminal mischief.

Kenneth Key, 53, 500

block of Midland in Minden. Charged with possession of Schedule I CDS Marijuana.

Shelby Williamson, 22, 400 block of Columbia Road in Waldo, Arkansas. Charged with improper supervision of a minor.

Scarlett Brown, 23, 400 block of Fort Street in Minden. Charged with theft and misrepresentation during booking.

Ervin Jones, 27, 600 block of Joel Street in Minden. Charged with simple battery.

Springhill Police Department

Laqualin Neal, 22, 2200 Block of Reynold Street in Springhill. Charged with theft of goods by shoplift-

ing. Jeffery Rogers, 20, 500 block of Kings Corner Road in Sarepta. Charged with no drivers license and no liability insurance.

Deshasmic Pastchol, 22, 400 block of 6th Street NE in Springhill. Charged with theft of goods by shoplifting.

Adrian Mendenhall, 33, 400 block of Williams Street in Springhill. Charged with possession of marijuana.

Cody Taylor, 19, 500 block of 8th NE in Springhill. Charged with unauthorized use of a moveable.

Steven Green, 41, North Collins in Cullen. Charged with theft of goods by shoplifting.

Shataria Scott, 20, 700

block of Coyle Street in Springhill. Charged with disturbing the peace by fighting, aggravated assault, and criminal damage to property.

Nathan Wise, 72, 900 block of Mott Road in Plain Dealing. Charged with open container.

Clayton Pratt, 27, 700 block of Dennis Street in Springhill. Charged with use of loud profane language.

Tiffany Cunningham, 26, 700 block of Dennis Street in Springhill. Charged with use of loud profane language.

Webster Parish Sheriff Office

Justin Miller, 32, 100 block of Walnut Ridge Lane

in Princeton. Charged with domestic abuse battery, unauthorized entry of inhabited dwelling, and simple criminal damage to property.

Jacob McCormick, 24, 100 Block of Seminary Lane in Minden. Charged with simple battery.

Terry Thomas, 58, 400 block of McIntyre Street in Minden. Charged with simple assault.

Billy Yeager, 63, 100 block of Frazier in Sibley. Charged with aggravated assault and disturbing the peace by intoxication.

CeKeydrick Hampton, 27, 200 block of Miller Street in Minden. Charged with disturbing the peace by intoxication.

STATUE

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Bible study in Charleston, and Dylann Roof reportedly confessed to the murders.

He called the shooting in Charleston senseless and says the behavior that led to these deaths is learned.

"(Dylann) Roof's behavior is learned," he said. "That type of stuff is learned, and I remember

reading when John F. Kennedy was assassinated and (Dr.) Martin Luther King Jr. says a culture of hate created this, and this is similar. It's a climate of hate."

He says Roof admitted that reading about the ideology and it's the same ideology based on the Confederate Flag.

"It's like a swastika," he said. "You'd never have that on a license plate or a flag. This individual had taken on that ideology of white supremacy, and it's

really sad."

He talked about Alexander Stephens' Cornerstone Speech, an impromptu speech delivered in Savannah, Georgia, in 1861. Stephens was elected the vice-president of the Confederacy during the time President Abraham Lincoln refused to recognize the South's secession. Stephens argued in the speech that the cornerstone of southern greatness lay in slavery and white supremacy.

"You have this Confed-

erate memorial and you have this World War II veteran, and it's a misrepresentation to me when you can't honor this man," he said.

He spoke of John C. Jones, a black World War II veteran, an Army corporal and veteran of the Battle of the Bulge. Jones and Albert Harris, were victims of a lynching in the 1940s in Minden.

The statue was erected in January 1933 in memory of the Confederate States Army from 1861-1865.

"The statue was commissioned by the United Daughters of the Confederacy of Minden and was dedicated on Lee-Jackson Day in January 1933," according to the United Daughters of the Confederacy. "It was to honor the Confederate soldiers and

was unveiled by Alberta Glass, Minden's last surviving Confederate veteran."

As for the Confederate flag? Wallace says he understands it's a part of history, but like others, he believes it belongs in a museum.

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CAMP MINDEN CLEANUP

M6 destruction meeting set for Tuesday

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The community will now learn about the process of the destruction of the M6 propellant stored at Camp Minden in a meeting set for June 30 at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting will take place at Camp Minden in Building A120 where representatives from Explosives Service International and El Dorado will discuss the destruction process from beginning to end. Representatives from the Environmental Protection Agency will be on hand as well.

The Louisiana Military Department is asking those entering Camp Min-

den to have their identification and allow extra time to enter.

The contract was signed last week after some discussions over additional requirements by the EPA, which increased the price tag for clean up from \$19 million to roughly \$35 million.

ESI will use the contained burn method of disposal, which will have a pollution abatement system to stop noxious gases from entering the air.

The alternate method came about following an outcry from the community and surrounding areas when they learned the open tray burn method of disposal would be used to dispose of nearly 16 million pounds of M6 propel-

lant discovered improperly stored at Camp Minden in 2012. A dialogue committee was formed that offered six alternate technologies to use other than the open tray burn.

A community advisory group, or CAG, has since been formed to help oversee the cleanup process and have an active role in communicating the community's concerns to the EPA as the cleanup takes place.

The next CAG meeting will be at 6 p.m., Monday, July 13, at First Baptist Church in Doyline.

For more information about the community meeting at Camp Minden, call Col. Pete Schneider at 504-278-8286.



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Jindal announcement light on Louisiana's elected officials

BATON ROUGE — It seemed like a no-miss event in Louisiana politics, a sitting governor announcing his bid for the White House. But the crowd at Gov. Bobby Jindal's presidential campaign kickoff rally noticeably lacked for political star power.

None of Louisiana's six Republican statewide elected officials showed up. Only a handful of state lawmakers were there, none of whom live in Jefferson Parish, where the rally was held. And no one vying to take Jindal's place in the governor's mansion attended.

The missing officials highlighted just how

unpopular Louisiana's governor has become in his own state, and suggested that few of Louisiana's GOP leaders may be willing to back up him up when he touts his achievements to voters in other states.

"If I'm going to be in a competitive election (in Louisiana), I do not want my opponent circulating a campaign photo right now of me and Gov. Jindal together, either shaking hands or standing on a stage," said Joshua Stockley, a political science professor at the University of Louisiana at Monroe.

Both Republicans and Democrats in Louisiana have long criticized Jindal

for financial policies they blame for creating repeated budget crises in the state, as well as crafting state policy based on his national political ambitions. His approval ratings have dipped into the low 30s.

The governor's campaign aides dismiss the low approval ratings at home as a byproduct of Jindal's tough decision-making and willingness to "bruise egos" to reform government. If Jindal was disappointed in the turnout, his spokeswoman Shannon Dirmann didn't let on.

"We invited a lot of people, and we're glad so many came out to support his run," she said.

Jindal launched his campaign for the Republican presidential nomination Wednesday in the New Orleans suburb of Kenner, with hundreds of people in attendance. Many of the governor's cabinet secretaries were there, along with the chairman of the state Republican Party, pastors and other Jindal supporters.

Attorney General Buddy Caldwell's spokesman said he had meetings tied to an undercover operation investigating child predators. Agriculture Commissioner Mike Strain's spokeswoman said he was giving a speech in north Louisiana.

As for the major GOP

contenders running for governor in this fall's election, Lt. Gov. Jay Dardenne was in Shreveport speaking to a local bar association and U.S. Sen. David Vitter was in Washington for votes.

Republican candidate Scott Angelle, a state utility regulator who was once Jindal's natural resources secretary, was at a Public Service Commission meeting, then had a newspaper interview and staff meetings, his campaign said.

All three men have sought to distance themselves from Jindal in their campaigns.

About a half-dozen of Louisiana's 144 state lawmakers showed up for Jin-

dal's rally. Among them was Sen. Mike Walsworth, a Republican from West Monroe and a long-time ally of the governor.

"I've never been to a presidential announcement, never. I said, 'This is a once-in-a-lifetime thing. Those don't happen every day,'" Walsworth said. "He's been a good friend and a good friend to my district."

While he acknowledged he expected to see more elected officials there, he said he didn't take their absence as an affront to Jindal: "A lot of us are pretty busy. I don't necessarily think that was a negative slap at the governor."

OBITUARIES

Douglas Shine Jr.

Douglas Shine Jr., known as "Bo," was born Feb. 8, 1944 to the late Douglas Sr. and Azzie Lee Terrell Shine in Homer. He attended Mayfield School in Homer and was employed with Newt Brown in Minden until retiring.

God called "Bo" home on June 18, 2015. Those left to cherish his memories; a son, Deandre; sisters, Merthia Cornelius, Margia Bailey and Ann Woods; one brother, Joe Shine of Omaha, Nebraska; one grandson, Dakota; a loving and caring friend, Irene Jordan; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

Homegoing celebration will be at 11 a.m., June 27, 2015 14th District Building in Minden under the direction of Benevolent Funeral Home in Minden.



SHINE

She attended school in Webster Parish in Minden.

She confessed Christ as her Lord and Savior at an early age and became a member of Blue Run Baptist Church in Minden.

She was preceded in death by her father Sammie James Peters.

She leaves to cherish her precious memories her daughter: Cheyour White (Gerald) of Minden, Louisiana; seven sisters: Lorine Combs (JW), Janie Lathon (Hollywood), Mildred Peters, Carolyn Peters, Barbara Jones, Mardell Smith and Chiquita Peters, all of Minden, Louisiana; a very special friend: Robert Clayton and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m., Saturday, June 27, 2015 at Blue Run Baptist Church with Pastor Gregory Deloach officiating.



PETERS

Cherry Lee Peters

Cherry Lee Peters was born to the late Sammie James Peters and Omeria Washington Peters on Sept. 6, 1962.

Herbert Walker

Mr. Herbert Walker departed this earthly home on June 20, 2015, after a 16-year courageous battle with cancer. He was

born to the late L. P. and Ophelia Smith Walker on Aug. 9, 1928. He spent his early years in Gibsland; baptized at Walker-Wilson Baptist Church, present Springville United Baptist Church. Herbert, at the beginning of his manhood met and married his love, Juanita Woodard Walker on June 19, 1950. To this union six children were born: Herbert James, Sandra Joan, Gregory Leon, Sharon Renee, Jacqueline Annette, and Malitta Louise.

In 1947 Herbert began his employment career with L&A /KCS railroad, a span which lasted for more than 38 years and ended due to an accident on the job. Herbert spent many years at "The Old Home Place," after his retirement. He enjoyed the daily rides to his "old home place," looking at his horses, feeding them, going on trail rides and riding his four wheeler. Herbert was relaxed and comfortable with his life and he loved everybody, always in a giving spirit no matter the situation nor the person in need. His children and grandchildren were his joy and inspiration.

Herbert's parents, L. P. and Ophelia Walker; wife-Juanita Woodard Walker;

sons-Herbert James Walker and Gregory Leon Walker; three brothers and sister-in-laws, Lawrence Perry Walker (Ever Lee), Willie Walker (Betty) and Turner Walker (Adele), all preceded him in death.

He leaves to cherish his memories daughters; Sandra (Floyd) Sullivan, Sharon Walker, Jacqueline (Herman) Graham-Chapman, Malitta (Rickey) Hartwell, Kalinda Hawthorne, two sons, Roosevelt Warren and Rickey Williams, a special niece-Carol Walker, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, many other relatives, and friends.

Special thanks to care givers-Tonia McClinton, Tomineshia Sheppard, and Michelle Wesley; Minden Home Health Care; Gamble Hospice; Regional Urology Shreveport; and Dr. Joseph E. Bolger.

Services are entrusted to Benevolent Funeral Home, Minden. Open visitation will be from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m., Friday, June 26. Funeral will be at 12:30 p.m., Saturday June 27, 2015 at Springville United Baptist Church in Gibsland.

Pall bearers will be Johnny McDuffy Sr., James Sheppard, Harry Livingston, Marcus Patillo, Dan Kenneth Burrell Jr. and Albert W. Taylor.



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PERSPECTIVE Do your job

It was a good weekend to be a dad. The weather was nice, the U.S. Open was on TV and it was Father's Day weekend. My boys and I enjoyed an overnight father/son basketball camp, visited our favorite greasy spoon for breakfast Sunday before church services, and shared some good quality time in different ways throughout the weekend. Overall, it was a great reminder why I am so fortunate to have a loving family who enjoys one another's company.

However, it was also a reminder of a more important lesson: It is absolutely critical for each and every father to do their job. As a business trade association, we spend countless hours and energy debating different things the government should or should not do with taxpayer dollars. At the Louisiana Association of Business and Industry (LABI), we proudly advocate aggressively for policy and political decisions that will promote free enterprise, limited government and economic growth. While we are steadfast in our beliefs that these principles are good for Louisiana, others with different beliefs are just as passionate and aggressive in taking their positions. This vigorous debate remaining free, spirited, and continuous serves as a hallmark of our democracy.

However, government has its limitations regardless of how it is structured. Some things government simply cannot do. Government, whether designed by a moderate, conservative, liberal or anyone else, cannot make someone be an attentive father. Government cannot regulate one's responsibility to be a good role model, tax away a lack of compassion, or mandate maturity.

It would be interesting if government could do those things, but it can't. The only person able to make someone a good father is the man himself.

The irony is that with all the governmental programs, agencies and bureaucracies created over the decades to address our challenges, the most critical factor to solving most of them is men and women stepping up on their own and taking responsibility to be effective parents.

A child with an involved father from a young age can be taught how to respect their fellow man, the property of others and the laws of this land. That foundation can do more for our crime prevention efforts over time than any program ever will.

The commitment to hard work, love of country and community involvement that defined the America we knew a generation ago can be rekindled more through the everyday actions of fathers reigniting that in their children than any elected official, political speech or campaign commercial ever will.

We often talk fondly about previous eras in America and sometimes openly question whether we are heading in the right direction. The debate centered on the role of government in that question is critical and must continue.

However, every now and then, it is worth remembering the simple truth that government did not create American greatness and it sure as heck cannot be structured in a way to absolutely guarantee its continuation.

American greatness began with people, not government. Many of those early people were also fathers. Many of those fathers taught their children about respect for others, hard work and the importance of freedom. They taught their children that the land of opportunity gives them the same equal chance to reach their goals as anyone else, but only if they work hard to attain them. They taught their kids about responsibility, effort, faith and perseverance. They taught their kids how to responsibly handle success and maturely deal with adversity.

Frankly, we need more of our fathers teaching these lessons every day to their kids. Father's Day should be more than just a "thank you" weekend; it should be a call to arms and a reminder to all the fathers out there to do their job. If one father drops the ball, we all deal with the consequences. And quite frankly, our nation's continued greatness depends on every father upping his game and setting the foundation in the leaders of tomorrow.

Anyone can be a father. It takes hard work to be a dad. Do your job, fathers. Be a dad. Stephen Waguespack is the president of the Louisiana Association of Business and Industry, the largest and most effective advocacy organization in the state.



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PASTTIMES

Nothing new under the sun

The Natchitoches area has long been a popular destination for tourists and sportsmen. One visitor from France was especially intrigued at how the local people used trotlines to catch catfish.

The trotlines were, he wrote, "no more than fishing lines about [36 feet] long. All along these lines, numerous other lines are tied about a foot apart. At the end of each line is a fish hook on which they put a bit of . . . dough or a small piece of meat. With this method they do not fail to catch fish weighing more than fifteen or twenty pounds."

The tourist was André Pénicaut, and he visited Natchitoches three hundred years ago. His journal reminds us that many of our "modern" fishing techniques were actually developed by Indians long ago. The Indians' methods of taking fish were as varied as they were ingenious and would be recognized by any fisherman today.

Hooks and lines were popular, with hooks being made from bone or deer antler and line from deer sinew. Archaeologists have found three-thousand-year-old tear-shaped polished stones with holes or grooves in the top that are believed to have been weights for nets or trotlines.

The Chitimacha of South Louisiana used wooden slat traps and gill and hoop nets. The latter were made from rabbit vine and were attached to round wooden frames and placed at the mouths of bayous.

The Chitimacha's favorite fishing technique was to swim underwater with small nets made from hemp. These nets were about three feet long and three feet in diameter, and had elastic green cane fixed on each side to serve as a spring.

A number of men lined abreast across a long pond and then swam underwater, keeping their net open in front of them by pulling the green cane back with both hands. The men stayed underwater until they either ran out of breath or their nets were full of fish. When the nets were full, they let go of the cane, and it sprang shut to close the opening.

One Frenchman who participated in this type of fishing wrote, "I have been engaged half a day at a time . . . and half drowned in the diversion—when any of us was so unfortunate as to catch water snakes in our sweep, and emptied them ashore, we had the ranting voice of our friendly posse comitatus, whooping against us, till another party was so unlucky as to meet with the like misfortune. During this exercise, the women are fishing ashore with coarse baskets, to catch the fish that escaped our nets."

Spearing fish with harpoons or bows and arrows was also quite effective, with Indians sometimes using torches to hunt at night. Harpoon shafts were usually made from ash, cypress or willow because they float. When a hit was made, the fish quickly tired from dragging the buoyant shaft across the surface and the fisherman could retrieve his harpoon in case of a miss.

My Uncle Preston Copeland told me stories of doing the same thing as a kid on Cornie Creek with a carbide lantern and gig. And several years ago, I accompa-

nied Terry Crum and his Fort Necessity friends on a gar gigging expedition in the Mississippi River. Just like Indians of old, Crum and his friends hurled cypress-shafted harpoons at the gar and then retrieved them once the fish grew tired.

The Choctaw and other tribes sometimes made poison by pounding up buckeyes, green walnuts and hickory nuts and mixing it into the water. The poison affected the fish's gills and suffocated them. Once they floated to the top of the water, the Indians scooped them up by hand.

Growing up in Winn Parish, I remember a number of people talking about using buckeyes to poison fish in Big Creek and Dugdemonia River, but I never witnessed it personally.

An alternate method to suffocating fish was to muddy the water by having people stomp through a shallow pool and stir up the thick bottom sediment. One Spanish explorer in Mississippi wrote that the Indians "roiled the water with the mud of the waters and the fish, as if stupefied would come to the surface, and they caught as many as they wished."

My mother recalled going to barrow pits near her Mississippi home during the Depression and using the same method to catch fish. Her father put on rubber boots and churned up the mud while she and her siblings scooped up the small breem that came to the surface.

When it comes to fishing, there's truly nothing new under the sun.

Dr. Terry L. Jones is a professor of history at the University of Louisiana at Monroe and is an award-winning author of outdoor articles and books on the Civil War.

PERSPECTIVE

The Slandering of America

Been following the news lately? If you have, you've no doubt heard, time after sickening time, that America is a nation steeped in "white supremacy." That accusation is being tossed about liberally, pardon the expression, by people who desperately want to denigrate the USA and our history.

To them, Dylann Roof is far more than an evil psycho who slaughtered innocents in a Charleston church.

He is, to America-bashers, a natural consequence of our "white supremacist" culture - driven to kill by his hatred of blacks and his love of the Confederate flag.

The misguided people using Charleston to denounce America should answer a simple question. Why are so many "people of color," to use that trendy phrase, clamoring to move to the USA? Are they ignorant, masochistic, or blind? Perhaps all of the above?

Never mind the tens of millions of Mexicans who have found their way north. What about the immigrants from Nigeria, Ghana, Kenya, and other black nations in sub-Saharan Africa?

According to a report put out by the pro-immigration Migration Policy Institute, "Black Africans are among the fastest-growing groups of US immigrants." In fact, the number of blacks moving from Africa to the USA doubled over the past decade.

Again, why are they so eager to come to a country where "white supremacy" rules? It would be akin to black Americans migrating to South Africa in the heyday of apartheid.

These black immigrants are living proof that many on the left are flat-out lying about America. Lying on a nightly basis, lying with impunity, lying without any fear of being challenged by our sniveling, cowardly media.

Our opinion-shapers deserve credit for accomplishing something truly astounding. Thanks to them, it is now considered racially insensitive to describe the USA as a "land of opportunity." If you want respect and tenure at a prestigious university, forget that "opportunity" stuff and start talking about "white supremacy." Yeah, that's the ticket!

Consider a few of the ridiculous statements put out by academic types on national TV over the past week: "We are a society that values white people more than people of color" . . . "We are mired in prejudice and racism" . . . "The source of the problem is white supremacy."

The hosts and anchors tend to nod in passive agreement, terrified of challenging the slander and thus being accused of racism themselves. Yes, we have reached a very strange point where running down your own country is considered a badge of honor, a sign of intelligence and sophistication.

This shameful episode is more proof of the adage put forth by ol' Mark Twain: "A lie can travel half way around the world while the truth is putting on its shoes." Well, right now the truth is standing in its bare feet while a bare-faced lie is being spread around the globe.

The truth is evident to most clear-thinking Americans. Our nation, like all others, is flawed. Many of our forefathers condoned slavery, brutalized American Indians, and looked the other way when racial discrimination was codified by law.

When it comes to race and America, not only do many on the left see the glass as half-empty, they're certain it's about to fall and smash into thousands of shards that will injure people. And most of the victims will of course be minorities.

Sadly, the race hustlers and liars are winning the war of words right now. They will continue to win unless and until truth tellers fight back. Yes, we may get labeled "bigots" or worse, but the truth is on our side: This is the greatest, most welcoming, and most diverse country in the history of the planet Earth.

The USA remains a land of opportunity. But don't ask an Ivy League humanities professor about that. Ask a Nigerian cab driver or a Kenyan scientist. They know the real truth about the United States of America.

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



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Around Town

June 26, 2015

Lakeview United Methodist Church will host Arts and Crafts on the Pond from 5:30 until 8:30 p.m. For more information, like Arts and Crafts on the Pond on Facebook.

North Acres Baptist Church will have its Vacation Bible School

from 6 until 8:30 p.m. nightly until June 26. Ages are for entering PK through sixth grade.

June 28, 2015

Mt. Comfort Baptist Church will have its annual Sr. Choir Day at 2:30 p.m. with special guest Mt. Zion CME Male Chorus.

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Tiger big men get drafted



BATON ROUGE – For the 14th time in LSU Basketball history, a player was chosen in the first round of the National Basketball Association draft as Jarell Martin of Baton Rouge was selected by the Memphis Grizzlies.

It was Memphis' only pick of the two-round event.

LSU missed out on having two players taken in the first round for the first time in the history of the program. But when Jordan Mickey of Dallas was taken with the 33rd pick of

the draft, the third of the second round, it marked the first time that LSU had two players taken in the draft since 2000. That year Stromile Swift was taken in the first round and Jabari Smith in the second round.

While Martin watched the draft at a local restaurant in Baton Rouge, Mickey was in the stands for the draft and did walk across the stage.

Martin, who played two years at LSU, averaged 16.9 points per game and 9.2 rebounds (both third in the Southeastern Conference) and shot 50.9 percent from the field (202-397, 4th in the league). He made a team best 140 free throws and had 15 double doubles while earning first-team All-SEC honors and was an honorable mention All-American selection.

Mickey, who also left after his sophomore season, averaged 15.4 points per game and 9.9 rebounds per game. He led the nation in block aver-

age at 3.64 blocks per game and shot 50.4 percent. He posted 16 double doubles, 25 for his career as he earned first-team All-SEC honors and was named a finalist for national Defensive Player of the Year.

"I was very nervous, my heart was pounding and for me to get my name called was a big relief for me," Martin told the media in Baton Rouge. "It was a blessing for me to have my family around me. They were the ones that were around me when I was growing up, so it was great for me to come back home and share this experience with me."

Martin did visit Memphis during his workout trips and liked what he saw.

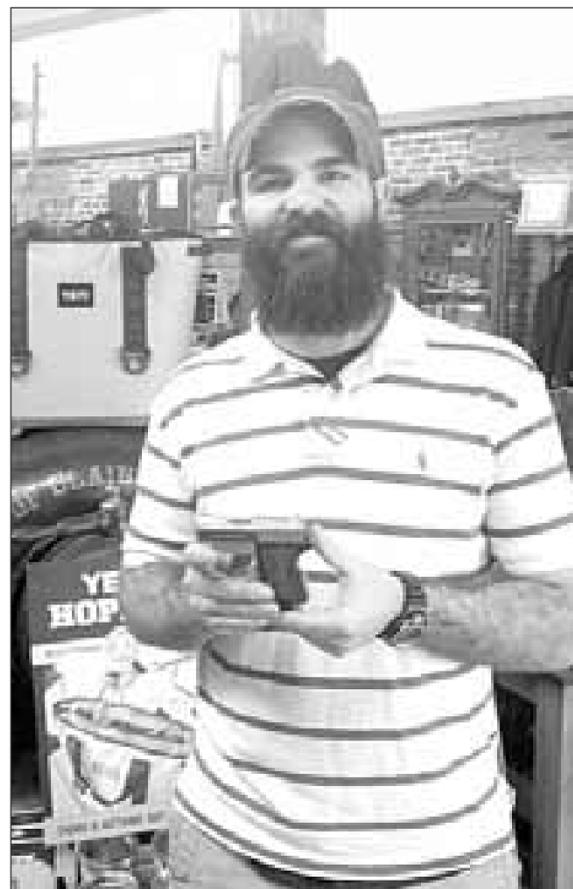
"When I went up to Memphis, I loved it because it reminded me of here -- Baton Rouge," he said. "The atmosphere around there reminds me of home, so it's going to be my home away from home."

Asked what he hoped to bring to the Grizzlies, Martin commented, "A lot of hard work and effort. I'm a guy that's going to go out there and play hard the whole entire time being out there. Also my versatility, I can attack the basket and knock down shots and create plays for the players around me."

There were a few media reports that the Grizzlies had told Martin they would pick him at No. 25.

"They said they were going to pick me at (No.) 25, but this draft got a little crazy unexpectedly. So it was pretty nervous for me and I was scared, but they wound up picking me," Martin said.

Through it all, Martin was his normal, calm self. "I'm very excited on the inside, I'm just trying not to let it show on the outside. I don't want to get emotional and cry or anything, but I'm very excited."



Glenbrook Hunter's Super Raffle

Congratulations to last week's big winners in the Glenbrook Hunter's Weekly Super Raffle. Left, Joe Scroggs poses with the Taurus 38SP Ultra-Lite Hammerless Revolver won by Billy Gray of Haynesville in the Wednesday, June 17 drawing with winning numbers 139. Right, Will Michael poses with the Ruger LCP 380 Auto Pistol won by Jacob Bratton of Calhoun in the Saturday, June 20 drawing. His winning numbers were 470. The Glenbrook Super Raffle is sponsored by Rockin' Rooster in Minden and Michael's Men's Store and Sporting Goods in Homer. Submitted photo

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NBA DRAFT

Towns taken first overall

NEW YORK (AP) — The Minnesota Timberwolves got their man in the middle. The Lakers got a playmaking partner for Kobe Bryant.

Knicks fans just got mad — though not for long.

Minnesota selected Kentucky's Karl-Anthony Towns with the first pick in the NBA draft on Thursday night, the first of three straight freshmen chosen before New York chose Latvian forward Kristaps Porzingis, triggering loud, long boos from their fans inside Barclays Center.

They were cheering later in the first round when the Knicks acquired the rights to Notre Dame guard Jerian Grant from Atlanta for Tim Hardaway Jr.

Before that, the Timberwolves went for a center in their first time owning the No. 1 pick. They can add him to a young roster featuring Rookie of the Year Andrew Wiggins, who was picked first last year by Cleveland and later dealt to Minnesota in the Kevin Love trade.

Towns' selection was-

n't a surprise — though he said he didn't know until it was announced.

"When Mr. Adam Silver came out, I saw him, and he said, 'With the No. 1 pick', I was racing," said Towns, who was sitting with Kentucky coach John Calipari.

"I told Coach Cal before when he first came out that I was trying to drink the water and I was shaking uncontrollably, and I told him, 'Coach, don't give me the ball right now for the last-second shot. I wouldn't make it.'"

The Los Angeles Lakers then took guard D'Angelo Russell of Ohio State, who was wearing a scarlet jacket, bowtie and shoes that matched the Buckeyes' school colors.

Red — or some shade of it — was the color of choice in the green room, though Towns wore a grey jacket and Russell's table later turned gold when his supporters donned Lakers hats.

He drew huge cheers when he was announced but his crowd was dwarfed by Towns'. The New Jersey native said

he had above 50 family and friends in attendance.

"This is home to me," he said. "Been able to come here and have all my closest friends and love ones come out here. It's the most special moments in my life."

The 6-foot-11 Towns averaged 10.3 points and 6.7 rebounds in just 21 minutes per game, as Kentucky used a platoon system in winning its first 38 games and reaching the Final Four.

It was Kentucky's third No. 1 pick in the last six years, joining Anthony Davis in 2012 and John Wall in 2010. The Wildcats were hoping to have a record seven players picked and were well on their way when Sacramento took center Willie Cauley-Stein with the sixth pick, Utah grabbed Trey Lyles at No. 12 and guard Devin Booker followed one spot later to Phoenix.

Booker, at 18 the youngest player in the draft, gave the Wildcats a record-tying four players among the top 14 selections. Duke in 1999 and North Carolina in 2005 also had four lottery picks.



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Bye, Bye, Donald

Univision dropping Miss USA pageant over Trump comments

NEW YORK — Univision is dropping the Miss USA pageant and says it will cut all business ties with Donald Trump in a spiraling controversy over comments the Republican presidential candidate made recently about Mexican immigrants.

The company said Thursday it would pull the plug on its Spanish-language coverage of the pageant July 12 by its UniMas network. It also has severed its business relationship with the Miss Universe Organization, which produces the Miss USA pageant, due to what it called "insulting remarks about Mexican immigrants" by Trump, a part owner of Miss Universe.

During his presidential campaign kickoff speech last week, Trump accused Latino immigrants of bringing drugs, crime and rapists to the U.S. He called for building a wall along the southern border of the U.S.

In an interview Thursday, Trump said his criticism was directed against U.S. policymakers, not the Mexican people or government, adding that Univision would be defaulting on its contract if it doesn't air the pageant and he would take legal action.

"At Univision, we see firsthand the work ethic, love for family, strong religious values and the important role Mexican immigrants and Mexican-Americans have had and will continue to have in building the future of our country," said the New

York-based Univision Communications Inc.

Both cohosts also pulled out of the show Thursday, while Colombian singer J Balvin on Wednesday canceled a planned performance on the pageant.

NBC is scheduled to go forward with its own airing of the pageant, as it has done since 2003.

Trump said Univision is submitting to pressure from Mexican leaders to punish him for positions he voices as a candidate on the campaign trail.

"They don't want me saying that Mexico is killing the United States in trade and killing the United States at the border," Trump said. "Univision is totally laying down for the Mexican government. ... They want to silence Donald Trump. And Donald Trump can't be silenced. ... I have great respect for Mexico and I love the Mexican people, but my loyalty is to the United States."

Univision declined to comment on Trump's remarks.

In severing her ties with the show, Puerto Rican actress Roselyn Sanchez, one of the two cohosts, cited Trump's comments.

"Since I heard Trump's speech, as a Latina I felt a lump in my stomach. 'It's got to be a joke,' I thought," the star of the Lifetime series "Devious Maids" told The Associated Press.

Also on Thursday, Chilean actor-producer Cristián de la Fuente, the show's other cohost, had strong words for Trump.



"It's a shame that such an important institution as Miss USA is now in the hands of a clown."

Ricky Martin also took to Twitter to blast Trump.

"A lot of hatred and ignorance in his heart," he tweeted.

On Wednesday, Colombian singer J Balvin canceled a planned performance that was to have aired on both UniMas' and NBC's telecasts.

A spokesman for Balvin said in a written statement that the singer's manage-

ment told the Miss Universe organization to withdraw his name from an announcement about participants in the Miss USA program.

This year's UniMas telecast would have been the first in a five-year contract

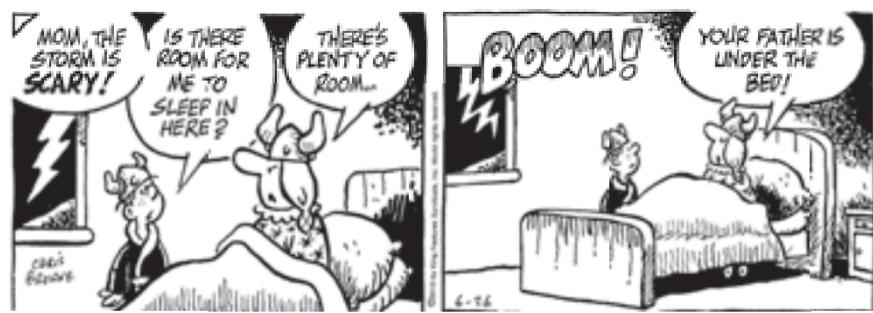
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1 Peculiar brand	35 Steering site	1 Lum-mox	20 Component of stock footage?
8 Long ride?	36 Runs off	2 "CSI" evidence	21 Gumbo item
12 Ortiz of "Devious Maids"	37 Get more magazines	3 Rum recipe	22 Sir's counterpart
13 Infamous lyre player	40 Gloomy dogfight participants	4 Privately made movie	23 Unctuous
14 Finished	41 Fan of carnivals	5 Retain	25 Occupy area
15 Truman's economic policy	42 Via, in verse	6 Historic time	26 Waiting area
17 Barn roof decoration	43 Right on the map?	7 Comcast alternative	27 Small grimace
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19 Less	45 Lays down the lawn	9 Terrible guy?	30 Jet forth
20 Dwelling	46 Apiece	10 Carte and cinnabar	33 Monkey in a lab
22 Apollo 11 goal	47 Encountered	11 Galena and cinnabar	34 Punch
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25 One justifiably ridiculed			37 "Phooey!"
29 Bobby of hockey			38 Reverb
30 Move laterally			39 Dweeb
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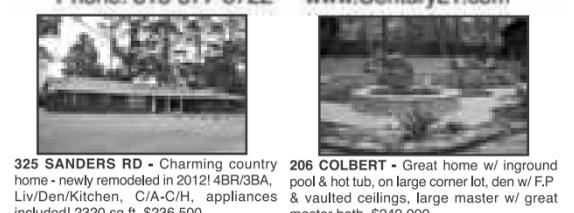
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1814 HWY 159 - Great remote home on 2.99 acres, 4BR/3BA, large den with wood burning F.P., playroom, beautiful landscaped yard next to Kisatchie National Forest. \$249,500
220 NORTHWOOD - Remodeled 2 story home w/ 3600 +/- sqft, 4BR/3BA, granite countertops, L/R, den, large remote master w/f.p., large game room, double carport & RV shed. \$279,000
284 N. TANGLEWOOD - Immaculate Homew/ approx 2050 sq.ft., Den w/ F.P., sunroom, nice kitchen open to breakfast room, 3/2, fenced yard. \$214,000 **REDUCED \$204,000**
147 S. TANGLEWOOD - 3BR/2BA on .94 acres, den, open to den w/ f.p. & breakfast, remote master, sunroom, covered patio, deck, 2 storage buildings, security, sprinkler system **REDUCED \$195,000**
618 ELM - Precious updated home, 3BR/3BA, 2509 sq.ft +/-, w/ L/R, D/R, study, large kitchen w/ S.S. appliances. \$184,900
2909 PARK DR./HAYNESVILLE - 3BR/2.5BA, 3016 sq.ft. on 1.48 acres \$175,000
148 RAYNER - 4.03 acres, 3BR/2BA w/ 1455 sq.ft. +/-, den w/ F.P. \$152,000
323 T. RIGG ROAD/ARCADIA - 2BR/2BA, brick on slab. \$150,000
389 SANDERS ROAD - Large D/W on 2 acres, 4BR/2BA w/ 2560 sq.ft. Big kitchen, D/R, den w/ F.P., large patio. \$149,000 **REDUCED \$130,000**
1877 FRANKLIN/HEFLIN - Nice country home, 3/2 brick on slab w/ 2 acres, 1786 sq.ft., C/A & C/H, shop, fence. **REDUCED \$132,500**
401 FINCHER RD - Well maintained home w/ large kitchen/breakfast area, 3BR/1.5BA, large shady fenced yard. \$114,900
140 KATIE - 1.25 acres 3/1.5, den w/ F.P., fenced yard, shop **REDUCED!** \$109,500
15140 HWY 80 - Cut country home right outside of Minden, 2BR/1.5BA, open den/kitchen, C/A & C/H, all appliances included. \$105,000
1116 DREW LANE - Great starter home, 1226 sqft 3BR/1.5BA, all kitchen appliances remain including stackable washer/dryer, deck fenced yard and storage **REDUCED! \$104,500**
807 LEWISVILLE - Large lot, 3/1 w/ 1548 sq.ft. & guest home w/ 2/1 \$104,500
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380 CHANDLER - 1600 sq.ft. home on 2 lots w/ 3BR/2BA, L/R, D/R, cute kitchen, hardwood floors, 2 car carport and 2 shops. \$100,000
1006 ELM - Very Charming home w/ 3BR/2BA, 1100 sq.ft., hardwood floors, carpet & ceramic - great starter home! \$93,000
1823 YELLOW PINE RD. - Lake front near Port-O-Bistineau, log cabin w/ large family room, 1 BR/1BA & room for expansion, loft design on hill overlooking lake. Reduced. \$89,900
1228 MAIN/HAYNESVILLE - Nice, 3BR/3BA, 3,100 +/- sqft home on large lot. \$89,500
207 WEST UNION - 3/2 w/ 1383 sq.ft, close to downtown C/A & C/H, LR/DR combo, all appliances stay, fenced yard, storage building **REDUCED \$85,000**
1355 MIDDLE ROAD - D.W. w/ approx. 1876 sq.ft. 3BR/2BA, located on .89 acres \$82,900
2124 LOCUST ST./ARCADIA - Charming brick 3BR/2BA \$79,500
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La. farmers brace for worst year since 2008

NEW ORLEANS — Flooded fields and fickle temperatures put Louisiana farmers and ranchers in a pensive mood as they gathered here Thursday for the Farm Bureau Federation Convention, the state's largest annual celebration of agriculture.

"I'm afraid this year is a nail-biter and a penny-pincher," said Franklin Parish row crop farmer Adam Faulk, one of as many as 2,000 producers here.

Cold temperatures and wet weather decimated the winter wheat crop and delayed planting for corn and other crops in the northeastern Louisiana Delta and Acadiana.

That was followed by ferocious flooding that began when the Red River left its banks in northwestern Louisiana and created a muddy tsunami that rolled through central Louisiana.

Combine the weather with plummeting commodity prices and the lin-

gering threat of bird flu facing poultry producers and Louisiana farmers and ranchers face their most uncertain year since the hurricanes of 2008.

"It started in North Louisiana and rolled its way down," said Evangeline Parish's Richard Fonetot, who grows rice, soybeans and crawfish. "We could all be in a pickle before this year is over."

"This is one of the scariest years we've face in a long time," said Caddo Parish beef cattle rancher Marty Wooldridge, who saw the Red flood 500 acres of his grazing pasture land and 200 acres of hay meadows.

This uncertain summer follows a six-year period described by Agriculture Commissioner Mike Strain as the Golden Age of Louisiana Agriculture, where producers enjoyed bumper crops, high prices or a rare combination of both.

Agriculture's economic impact in Louisiana was \$12.7 billion last year, the

third straight record.

Strain said 2015 reminds him of 2008, his first year as the state's elected agriculture commissioner.

"We had Tropical Storm Faye and Hurricanes Gustav and Ike in 2008," he said. "Like we did then, we're going to put on a full court press to stand our farmers back up."

Strain said he is working with the state's federal delegation to secure a disaster declaration as well as a supplemental appropriation to assist Louisiana producers.

"The flooding in northwestern and central Louisiana has been very damaging to pasture land and row crops and forced some ranchers to sell their herds because they had no place to put them," Strain said.

"The cold and wet winter and spring is going to affect yields in northeastern Louisiana and Acadiana, and of course we had major losses with the wheat harvest," he said.

"And we're doing all we can to protect the poultry crop from the bird flu."

James Wagley, who grows chickens for Pilgrim's Pride in Natchitoches Parish, called the threat of bird flu "our biggest concern by far."

"If one house is infected, every bird in a six-mile circle has to be killed," Wagley said. "We have to do everything we can to ensure bio security at our houses."

And Wooldridge, who also produces hay for his herds and to sell to other ranchers, still has a wary eye cast toward the Red, which is predicted to crest above flood stage again Wednesday.

"We can't move our cattle back until we see what happens with the crest," he said.

And the heart of hurricane season is still ahead.

"Don't even mention that," Wooldridge said. "Don't even mention it."



Miss Minden cutline: Miss Minden 2015 Baylee Howell is pictured with her Fleur de Lis Princess following a style show at Dillard's in Monroe. Courtesy Photo

MISS LA

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Friday before the televised pageant Saturday, June 27. Howell will learn whether she makes the

top 10 following the completion of preliminaries Friday.

Howell is a graduate of Lakeside High School and will begin the fall semester at the University of Louisiana at Monroe, majoring in pharmacy.

VOA

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tal area. Suzie Moseley, case manager for north and central Louisiana says they deal with a lot of veterans seeking mental health services.

Many veterans come home from overseas suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder and many times, she says, there are other issues connected to that such as substance abuse. Suicide rates are higher among veterans than any other demographic, she says.

VOA, a nationwide organization founded in 1896 in New York City, offers an array of services for veterans regarding their health care, housing, job retention and others.

Another service offered is Veterans Treatment Court, where veterans diagnosed with substance abuse and accused of non-violent crimes to work out their sentence through treatment, counseling and community service while being monitored by the court.

To clarify, Jowell says, all these services are available to both peacetime and

combat veterans. Moseley says as long as they have their DD214 and have separated from the armed forces with anything other than a dishonorable discharge, then they are eligible for services. When VOA was original-

ly formed, they offered a shelter for women and children and offered adoption services until the 1990s, says Jowell. VOA reached north Louisiana in 1935.

"A lot of our services were adoption services,"

Jowell said. "We no longer do adoption services, because just as time keeps going, the needs of the community change. Today, we focus really on four primary areas: children and families, senior adults, people with disabilities,

and veterans." Veterans' services began in 2010.

For more information, or if you are a veteran and wish to make an appointment at the United Way Center, email Moseley at [suzie.moseley@voanorth-](mailto:suzie.moseley@voanorth-la.org)

la.org or call 1-800-222-3196. For more information about the services offered, visit their website at www.voanorthla.org. Their office is located at 360 Jordan St., in Shreveport.

ARREST

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"Justin Miller was seeing this girl and they'd split up," Igo said. "She'd told him on occasions to stay away, and we'd been down there numerous times to her residence."

Igo says on that particular morning, after he'd been discovered inside her residence, they'd gotten into an argument and he reportedly got physically aggressive with her.

Igo says he was given an opportunity to come in to answer some questions, and when he didn't, a warrant for his arrest was issued.

The warrant was turned over to the U.S. Marshal's Service, and they apprehended him Tuesday.

The incident occurred roughly a few weeks ago.

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