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## WEBSTER COURT WATCH

# Drug dealer set for sentencing

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A convicted drug dealer is set to be in court Friday, June 5, for sentencing after he was found guilty of possession and distribution of Schedule II CDS (crack cocaine).

Keddrick Kennon, also known as Birdman, 42, was found not guilty of distribution of a substance

falsely represented as a controlled dangerous substance.

District Attorney Schuyler Marvin has said since Kennon's conviction that he will file a habitual offender bill, which could remarkably strengthen his sentence.

He will be sentenced by 26th Judicial District Judge Parker Self.

Marvin gave credit to Minden Police Captain

Dan Weaver, who served as his agent on the case, saying the Minden narcotics division "did an excellent job in staying focused on drug dealers in Minden."

Captain Marvin Garrett

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**KENNON**



Minden police officers Shawn Jenkins, left, and Ryan Barnette escort Keddrick Kennon into headquarters on April 2, 2014. Police considered Kennon one of Minden's biggest drug dealers. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald



## LATE NIGHT TANGLE

A wreck on the intersection of Sheppard Street and Sibley Road Wednesday night left one person trapped inside. Minden police Officers Chris Hammontree and Mitch Hackett responded to the crash around 10:30 p.m. According to reports, the driver of a Chevy Cruz, Brianna Hambrick, went through a yellow light, and the driver of a Chevrolet Impala, Beverly Anderson says she had a green light. The two vehicles collided, causing one to go off the road into the ditch. Both were offered medical treatment but both refused. The Minden Fire Department responded to extract Anderson from her vehicle. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald

## PUBLIC SAFETY

# Boil advisory remains in effect for Southwood Apartments in Sibley

SIBLEY — A boil advisory issued by the Town of Sibley for Southwood Apartments is still in effect.

Customers are advised not to drink, brush their teeth or rinse food unless the water has been disinfected first. Water should be brought to a full boil for at least one minute and allowed to cool before using.

The advisory will remain in effect until samples collected have been tested and found safe by the State Health Department.

## EDUCATION

# A look at Webster's school bond issues

### How are Harper's woes to be paid for?

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In a committee meeting Monday, school board members discussed some issues surrounding the bond indebtedness and how that relates to funding options for alleviating issues at J.E. Harper Elementary School.

Bonding attorney C. Grant Schlueter, of Foley and Judell of New Orleans, explained where the Webster Parish School Board stands in its bond indebtedness and how much they would have if they decided to request another bond issue.

The bond district is the taxing district which includes all of the schools in Minden, says board member Ronnie Broughton. It's different from the school board's district 6, which includes more of south Webster Parish, like Lakeside Jr./Sr. High School and Central Elementary.

"The half-cent sales tax for district 6 looks like it's producing \$1.6 million per year," Schlueter said. "You have one bond issue outstanding that is secured by that sales tax and it pays that bond issue. That annual debt service runs up to a maximum of \$781,000."

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LOUISIANA WEATHER

## Some Caddo, Bossier residents evacuate as Red River rises

SHREVEPORT — Some Caddo and Bossier parish residents have evacuated as water threatened their homes. The Red River is rising as floodwaters drain from Oklahoma and Texas. It's expected to crest by Saturday at 34.5 feet — at or near the level reached when it topped the 30-foot flood stage in 1990, but with much more potential

for damage, said C.S. Ross, hydrologist in the National Weather Service's Shreveport office. "It was a different world on the Red River then," he said Wednesday in a phone interview with The Associated Press. "We didn't have any development in Shreveport on the river." Shreveport's festival

plaza and docked casino boats have developed along the riverfront since 1990. Ross said the river is expected to begin falling sometime Sunday. "It's hard to believe the Red hasn't risen above flood stage in Shreveport until now," he said. The Northwest Louisiana Red Cross has

opened a shelter at Southern University-Shreveport, the Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office said in a news release. Water has been confirmed in four north Shreveport houses, one of them vacant, and in a church, sheriff's office spokeswoman Cindy Chadwick said. The Bossier Parish sher-

iff has recommended evacuations of a subdivision and an RV park, spokesman Bill Davis said in a news release. Water in the Allendale neighborhood of north Shreveport rose more than a foot in the 24 hours ending Wednesday morning, said resident Tiffany Mills. "I need to get in my house to get work uniform, clothes for my kids

to go to school and diapers for my baby," Mills told The Times. "But we can't go in there without rain boots because they're afraid we'd get cut or bitten by something in the water." City Councilman Willie Bradford said he doesn't know what the city could have done to avoid the flooding. He said officials will look for ways to prevent future floods there.

## BONDS

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He went on to explain they looked what the additional bonding capacity is for that one half-cent sales tax and they came up with about \$5.1 million. "Keep in mind that unlike a general obligation bond where you get almost 100 percent of the bond proceeds for construction, we have to fund a reserve fund for the sales tax bond," he said. "So that's going to reduce somewhat the amount you will actually get for construction." District 6 is also paying for Qualified School Construction Bonds, secured by a constitutional millage, which is carrying a one percent interest rate. The payments are about \$400,000 per year. "You're actually making the payments from this half-cent sales tax," he said, "and with everything added together, you're pretty much taking up that whole \$1.6 million." That's if the board

decides to fund whatever option is chosen with the half-cent sales tax. If the board decides to go before the people, Schlueter says the legal debt limit would permit under state law to ask for up to 45 mills, which would generate a little bit over \$25 million. "There's probably a lesser amount that could go to the voters and they can vote on it with no projected increase above the current 29 mills," he explained to the board. "We'd have to run the numbers to see if that would generate enough money to see if that would be an option you wanted to consider. You would have no projected increase in the current tax rate being levied in this district." Superintendent of Schools Dr. Dan Rawls asked what this would generate, and Schlueter said roughly somewhere between \$5 million and \$9 million on an extension of the bond issue. Schlueter again clarified if they use the half-cent sales tax and the levied bond, there would be no

increase. However, they would be extending the debt, he says. District 6 board member John Madden talked about not raising taxes because, he says, it will decrease the amount the school board receives in Minimum Foundation Program funds, the funds which go to pay teacher salaries and benefits. The MFP is based on a per student basis. "We're not doing our tax payers service by raising their taxes enough to finance any of these projects, and Baton Rouge drops it an equal amount," Madden said of the MFP. An array of ideas was discussed during the meeting, some even saying they liked the idea of a magnet school. Others were in favor of renovating the old vocational school as a permanent solution instead of the one-year option previously proposed while renovating Harper. The most talked about idea was to build a new wing on to Webster Junior High School and house the sixth graders there, and



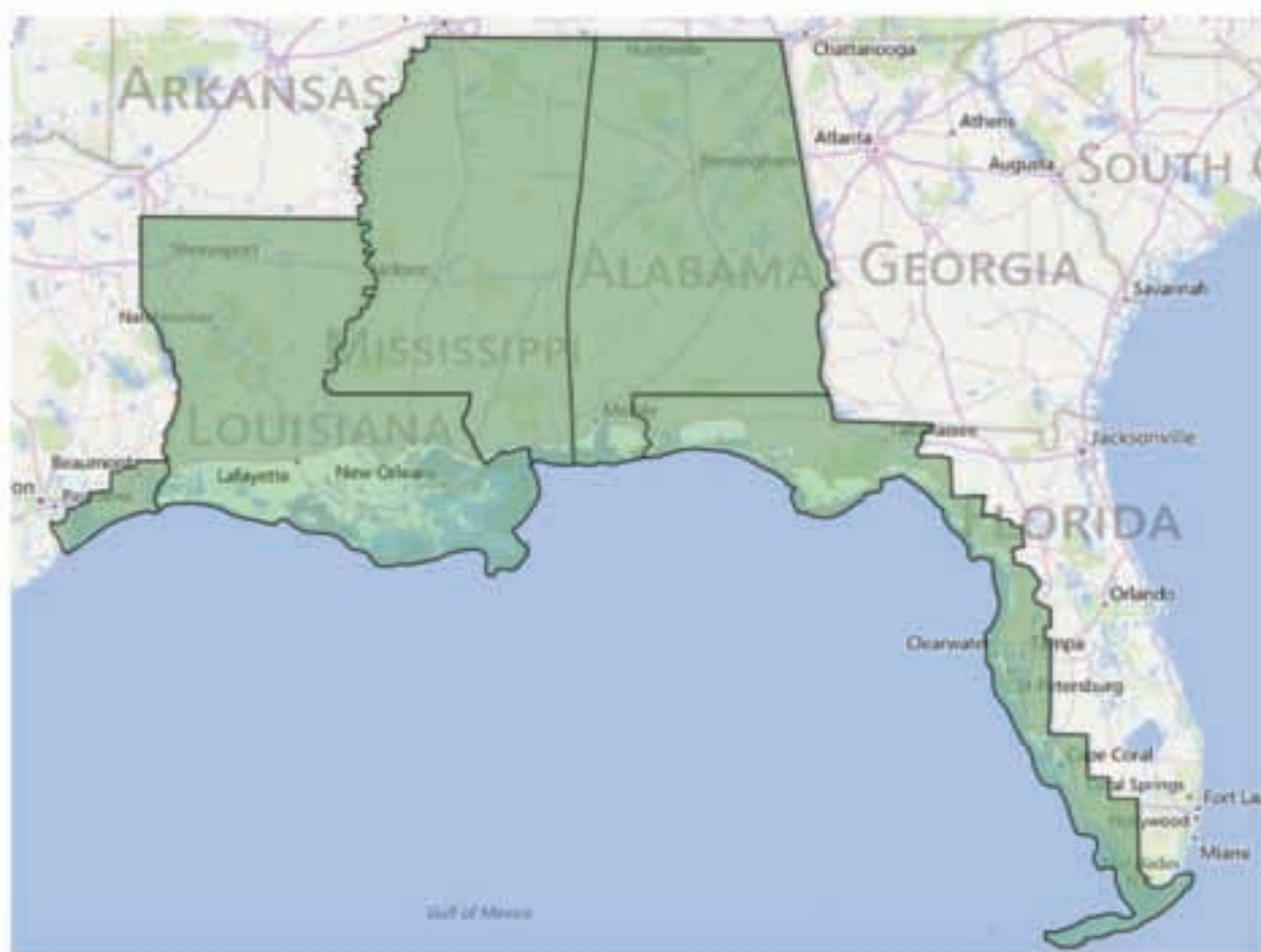
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move the kindergarten and first grade students at Harper to J.A. Phillips Middle School. This idea would cost roughly \$6 million. Another idea put forth was to combine J.L. Jones

and E.S. Richardson and build a new site to the tune of \$20 million. Broughton says he feels a new site would never fly with his constituents. "I just do not see that

happening," he said. "The only thing that we might could do is build a sixth grade wing at Webster... and move the Harper kids to Phillips as K-1."

## Court-Approved Supplemental Information About The Deepwater Horizon Economic Settlement Claim Deadline



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LOUISIANA LEGISLATURE

## House stalls key bill in budget negotiations, Senate revives

MELINDA DESLATTE  
Associated Press

BATON ROUGE, — In a rebuke to Gov. Bobby Jindal, House lawmakers Wednesday rejected a proposal sought by the Republican governor to maintain his record against tax increases, upending budget-balancing negotiations.

The House Ways and Means Committee shot down the bill with a narrow 10-9 vote. But senators, trying to keep the measure alive, added it to three other bills later that evening, ensuring the debate would continue.

The disagreement raises questions about whether lawmakers can agree on a way to balance next year's \$24 billion budget with financial plans that can escape Jindal's veto.

"We've got time to talk and quit all the sword-rattling ... and see if we can't reach some agreement," said Senate President John Alario, R-Westwego.

The legislative session

must end June 11.

The bill in dispute — by Senate Finance Committee Chairman Jack Donahue, R-Mandeville — would create a new higher education tax credit as a complicated means to let Jindal claim he hasn't raised taxes to close next year's budget shortfall.

"It's a way to go about having a budget that this governor might sign," Donahue told the House committee.

Opponents say the proposal is a sham, aimed at protecting the governor's presidential ambitions. Rep. Eddie Lambert, R-Gonzales, called it a "gimmick."

"I don't know if you'd call it laundering money or what you'd call it," he said.

Jindal, expected to announce his White House bid later this month, won't support any tax changes he — or national anti-tax activist Grover Norquist — considers a net tax increase.

With a \$1.6 billion budget hole next year, law-



**In a rebuke to Gov. Bobby Jindal, House lawmakers Wednesday rejected a proposal sought by the Republican governor to maintain his record against tax increases, upending budget-balancing negotiations.** Courtesy Photo

makers and the governor have acknowledged they must find ways to drum up new dollars for the budget to keep from devastating higher education and public health care programs.

The House didn't both- er meeting Jindal's criteria

with its budget-balancing plan, which involved \$615 million in tax hikes and scaled-back tax breaks. Senators, however, are trying to meet the complex set of parameters set by Jindal to avoid a veto of the financing plans for the fis-

cal year that begins July 1.

Donahue's higher education tax credit bill is critical to making the veto-proof deal work.

"You have to have this," Alario said.

The proposal would involve raising a new "fee" on college students. The students wouldn't actually pay the fee because it would be covered by the state through the tax credit, paid directly to colleges and offset with tax increases elsewhere, like a cigarette tax hike.

It doesn't provide any new revenue to the state or to colleges, but is used for Jindal to claim an offset to other tax increases so he can say the state didn't raise taxes to balance the budget.

"There's no real money here," said Rep. Robert Johnson, D-Marksville.

Higher education leaders, worried they face budget cuts if lawmakers and the Jindal administration can't work out a tax deal, are pushing for the tax credit's creation.

"Without this bill, I do not see a tax-neutral budget, and without a tax-neutral budget, I do not believe higher ed will get the money that is currently contemplated for them," said Revenue Secretary Tim Barfield, the governor's point person on the tax negotiations.

Ways and Means Committee Chairman Joel Robideaux voted against the bill, so Donahue added the language to three of Robideaux's bills that were up in Senate Finance Wednesday evening.

"The Ways and Means Committee threw stones at Sen. Donahue, and we threw stones back. It happens all the time," Alario said.

Jindal's chief of staff Kyle Plotkin said a deal can be struck: "There's still time to get a budget done that is balanced, protects higher education and health care and doesn't raise taxes."

COURT WATCH

## Webster Parish court news for May 29

**William Bryan** charged with simple battery. All parties were placed under rule of sequestration. Defense moved for judgment of acquittal - denied.

**Zachary C. Coile** charged with underage driving under the influence, second or subsequent offense. Sentenced to six months active supervised probation. Must pay \$250 plus court costs, and 4-8 hours community service. Charged with general speed law, must pay \$100 fine plus court costs or 10 days in Webster Parish Jail, to be consecutive with

prior sentence. Charged with improper lane usage - charges dismissed.

**Norman Evans** charged with introducing contraband into or upon the grounds of any state correctional institution, possession of Schedule I CDS (second offense), and criminal conspiracy. Trial set for July 6.

**Brittany Hafer** pled not guilty to theft of \$500 or more, but less than \$1,500. Status conference set for July 20.

**Ronald Wayne Hayden** charged with two counts of monetary instrument

abuse and two counts of forgery. Motion to reduce bond, by agreement was reduced to \$30,000 if he makes bond report and pays \$40 application fee.

**Coy D. Hitt** pled guilty to disturbing the peace. Sentenced to 90 days in the Webster Parish Jail, suspended six months active supervised probation, no contact whatsoever with victim, \$500 plus court costs prorated for six months. Charged with disturbing the peace, sentenced to 90 days in Webster Parish Jail, suspended six months (concurrent

with prior sentence), \$250 plus court costs, to be consecutive with prior sentence.

**Mary C. Holloway** pled guilty to misdemeanor issuing worthless checks. Sentenced to six months in the Webster Parish Jail, suspended one year active supervised probation, make restitution of \$537.46, \$500 plus court costs prorated over one year. Terminate probation if paid early.

**Dorneca Matthews** pled guilty to aggravated battery. Sentenced to two years at hard labor in

Louisiana Department of Corrections, all but six months (180 days) to run concurrent.

**Justin Miller** charged with domestic abuse battery (first offense). Passed at state's request to August 28 for further disposition.

**Charles Frederick White IV** pled guilty to simple assault, sentenced to \$250

plus court costs or 30 days in Webster Parish Jail. Pled guilty to disturbing the peace by fighting, must pay \$250 plus court costs or 30 days in Webster Parish Jail. Further disposition set for June 26. Pled guilty to disturbing the peace by fighting, charges dismissed.

COURT

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says Kennon's record extends all the way back to the early 1990s.

Kennon was arrested on April 2, 2014 on three counts of Schedule II CDS (crack cocaine) and one count of distribution of false pretense of CDS.

"He (allegedly) sold substances that he presented as being illegal narcotics," Garrett said. "It could be anything like salt or baking soda, or anything that resembles illegal narcotics."

Kennon was acquitted of that charge.

These charges followed a six-month investigation

in which several undercover buys by a confidential informant were made from Kennon, Garrett says.

"He'd been arrested several times in the past for illegal narcotics violations," he said. "He had three prior convictions of drug violations, and Capt. Weaver and I have dealt with him since the beginning of our careers in 1990. We were getting information and knew him to be a known drug dealer. He was the target of an investigation where we made purchases from him using a confidential informant."

Kennon was considered a major drug dealer, one of the top level dealers in the community, Garrett says.

Garrett and Weaver both spoke on the habitual

offender law, saying if it goes through, this could potentially put Kennon in jail for life.

"The multi-offender bill

carries up to a life sentence for a person that's been convicted three or more times on a narcotics violation," Garrett said.

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# OPINION

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PERSPECTIVE

## The real scandal in Denny Hastert's life

Washington's establishment of politicians, lobbyists and media sparklies are shocked — shocked to their very core! — by the scandalous sexual revelations about Dennis Hastert.

The portly Republican, who'd been Speaker of the House a decade ago, was an affable, non-descript Midwesterner who was popular with his fellow lawmakers. A former high school wrestling coach in rural Illinois, Hastert was viewed as a solid salt-of-the-Earth fellow embodying Middle America's moral values. So his recent indictment for paying \$1.7 million in hush money to a man he apparently molested during his coaching years has rocked our Capitol City.

"I'm shocked and saddened," said the current GOP Speaker, John Boehner. Likewise, former colleagues from both sides of the aisle were dismayed that "our Denny" would have been engaged in child molestation and now caught in an illegal financial cover-up of that abomination. "This has really come out of nowhere," exclaimed Rep. Peter King, a longtime ally of the man whom all of Washington considered a straight arrow.

Washington's gossip mill is spinning furiously over last week's revelations. Before we join these officials in wailing about Dennis Hastert's alleged long-hidden molestation, however, let me note that while they are bewildered by his sexual impropriety, they find it not worthy of mention — much less condemnation — that Denny has long been immersed in the immoral swamp of Washington's game of money politics. The guy they profess to love as a paragon of civic virtue — "the coach," as Rep. King hailed him — was one of the most corrupt speakers ever. What about the filthy, backroom affair he has been openly conducting with corporate lobbyists for nearly two decades?

During his tenure as House speaker, Hastert turned the place into the Willy Wonka Chocolate Factory of corporate favors. By putting campaign cash into Republican reelection coffers controlled by him and his top hit man, Majority Leader Tom DeLay, corporate interests gained entry into Denny's psychedelic playhouse.

With Hastert himself singing "Candy Man," the favor seekers could help themselves to the river of chocolate running through Congress' back rooms. Remember "earmarks," the sneaky tactic of letting congressional leaders secretly funnel appropriations to favored corporations and projects? Earmarks became the trademark of Hastert's regime, sticking taxpayers with the tab for such outrages as Alaska's "Bridge to Nowhere." Indeed, Denny grabbed a \$200 million earmark for himself, funding an Illinois highway near land he owned — land he then sold, netting millions in personal profit.

When he left Congress, Hastert moved just a short limo ride away to become — what else? — a corporate lobbyist. Trading on his former title, personal ties to House members and knowledge of how the chocolate factory runs, he has been hauling in a fortune as a high-dollar influence peddler for makers of candy-flavored cigarettes, Peabody Coal Company, land developers and other giants. And guess what his specialty is? Getting "riders" attached to appropriations bills, so public money is channeled directly to his clients.

Hastert openly traded legislative favors for campaign cash, including profiting personally from his powerful position. And, when he was squeezed out because of the corruption, he didn't return to the home folks — he became a K-Street lobbyist, continuing to profit to this day by doing corporate favors. That's how he got so rich he was able to shell out \$1.7 million in hush money to the student he abused.

Good ol' Denny has always thought he was above the law. Just as Hastert should be held accountable for the deep personal damage his alleged molestation would've done to his former student, so should he also pay for his abominably-indecent abuse of office, his self-gratifying groping of public funds and his repeated, sticky-fingered violations of the American people's public trust.



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PERSPECTIVE

# SAVE scheme asinine at best

We're at that point in the legislative session when things get a bit hairy. Contentious, even.

The fiscal-only session of the Legislature must adjourn sine die by next Wednesday, no later than 6 p.m. There's no agreement on the budget, and it's entirely possible lawmakers will approve a budget that doesn't jive with Gov. Bobby Jindal's "red line" on no net increase in taxes. Jindal would veto it, setting the stage for a special session just as spring rolls into summer and the weather gets hot. Tempers would be on the rise, too.

Meanwhile, it would appear the House of Representatives and the Senate have engaged in a game of chicken.

Rep. Joel Robideaux, chairman of the tax-writing committee in the House, better known as the Ways and Means Committee, is holding up a key component to help finance state government in the 2015-2016 fiscal year, which begins July 1. Robideaux put the brakes on Senate Bill 284, otherwise known as the vehicle to create the SAVE fund. He's apparently holding up the legislation because the Senate Finance Committee, chaired by Sen. Jack Donahue, hasn't moved on some tax measures already approved by the House. And it seems there are some legitimate questions surrounding the necessity to create the SAVE fund in the first place.

Allow me the opportunity to attempt to explain what the SAVE fund is and why we're told it's needed. But first, some background information is necessary.

Thus far in this legislative session, lawmakers have approved more than \$600 million in new taxes, including a spike in the cigarette tax as well as some rollbacks in the tax breaks the state awards to the business community. In order for the new taxes to pass muster with Jindal's demand that lawmakers not approve any net increase in taxes, there must be some offsets. Those offsets must arise from cuts in spending or rebates or credits for taxpayers or a combination of both.

It's important to remember Jindal signed a no new taxes pledge with the anti-tax organization Americans for Tax Reform (ATR) some 12 years ago when he was a candidate for governor the first time around. ATR is the brainchild of Grover Norquist, who, like him or not, is influential among fiscal conservatives throughout the country.

Remember, too, that Jindal has all but officially announced he will seek the Republican nomination for the 2016 presidential race. Accordingly, there's a lot at stake in this budget for Jindal, perceived or real.

Senate Bill 284, which would create the SAVE fund, would allow the state's colleges and universities to impose a \$1,500 fee on each student. There are more than 220,000 students enrolled in Louisiana's colleges and universities.

Students wouldn't actually pay the \$1,500 fee. Instead, they would be handed a tax credit voucher for \$1,500 to supposedly offset the "phantom" fee. Students would then sign over the \$1,500 voucher to the state Board of Regents, which oversees Louisiana's colleges and universities. The Board of Regents would then turn to the state Department of

Revenue and cash in the vouchers for revenues to help operate the colleges and universities in the next fiscal year. Supposedly we're talking about some \$350 million in revenues for higher education. Not exactly chump change, particularly in light of the \$400 million in cuts in state funding the higher education community was facing at onset of the fiscal-only session.

The SAVE fund, including the convoluted manner in which it would operate, would give Jindal some cover in the eyes of Norquist. In other words, Jindal could stomach some of the tax hikes as long as the state "rebated" money to taxpayers. That's where the \$1,500 vouchers come into play.

Confused? The SAVE fund scheme, or whatever you want to call it, would gin up much-needed revenues for higher education. It's asinine, however, to create a program, or vehicle, whose purpose could be achieved by much simpler means. There's simply no need for it, except to satisfy a man who works in Washington, D.C. and fancies himself as some sort of a crusader for the American taxpayer.

But that's where we are in Louisiana in an election year with lawmakers seeking reelection or higher office and a term-limited governor with his mind on other matters.

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**SAM HANNA JR.**

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## The next Louisiana governor

To the Editor:

Listen up Louisiana, now is the time to search out the best man for our next Governor. If you haven't already, check out their past experience, what they have accomplished in life here in Louisiana. Don't look at who has the most money. This is what we have today. We have a good field to choose from, outside of the Washington element.

We still have time to make a choice we can all be proud of here in Louisiana. Election time is this October. We here in Louisiana can also make a difference in our next Presidential election, about a year and a half from now. Please do not vote for only a political party. Look for a persona that has a proven record, and has accomplishments in leadership, administration; someone with a backbone and a voice. Someone who will protect our American citizens. This is America, you and me. One who will back and protect with our rule of law our American Law Enforcement. All our US Military also to rebuild our military.

Letting our military choose those to serve, to regulate military law and justice. We, America, has the best government money can buy. Is it working to your satisfaction? It certainly is not in my thinking. Our new media exposes which candidate has or will have the most money. Please forget this strategy, looking at ones already accomplishments.

Our next president does not need to have proved himself or herself in the political field. What is needed is one that will put America first and also knowledgeable of dealing with other countries, a problem solver, loaded with common sense. This has been missing a long time in our US government, both major parties.

We have a real selection this go around. It's now time to prepare for a real American leader of and for you and me. We need and want a God only fearing person, leader.

God Bless our Country  
Jack L. Daniels  
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EDUCATION IN WEBSTER

## WEEF

# Recipients

Representatives from the Minden-South Webster Chamber of Commerce made stops at Webster schools to hand out grants from the Webster Education Endowment Fund (WEEF). The fund is an effort to assist those local teachers who go above and beyond the call of duty and need funds to assist them in the classroom.



### LAKESIDE HIGH SCHOOL

Pictured with the deck is Board Chair Greg Lee, teacher Josh Beavers, Chamber President Jerri de Pingre, WEEF Chairman Scott Price Courtesy Photo



### J.L. JONES ELEMENTARY

Accepting on behalf of Mrs. Debbie Baskin are Lauren Gros and Jo Strong, J.L. Jones Elementary, and Board Chair Greg Lee. Courtesy Photo

### ANNIVERSARY



## Celebrating 60 years

We are pleased to announce the 60th wedding anniversary of Joe and Shirley Batres of Minden.

Joe Batres Jr. and Shirley Dunn were married on June 5, 1955 at Pine Grove Methodist Church in Minden. They moved to California and raised five boys. Joe III (Jenell) Batres, Michael (Cindy) Batres, Robert (Kit) Batres, Paul (Jessica) Batres and John Batres. They also have six Grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

After retiring in 1999 they both moved back to Shirley's home town of Minden to enjoy their retirement and to continue to be the best parents and grandparents to our whole family. Your love has continued to be as strong as ever, even through the good times and sorrows that life has handed us. We love you very much!!

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Just Faith COGIC presents it's Annual Spring Revival with guest speaker Reverend Gregory DeLoach June 3-5, 2015 at 210 South Fairview in Minden. Prayer time will start at 7 p.m.. followed by the service at 7:30 nightly.

June 6, 2015

There will be a workshop on "Christianity vs. Clicktanity" at Egypt Hill Baptist Church at 2617 Old Plain Dealing Road in Plain Dealing. First Lady Ora Rice (from Growing Valley MBC in Minden) will be speaking on the inappropriate use of social media as it relates to bullying/suicide, drug use, and academic failure.

Pringle Place Cemetery Association will meet Saturday, June 6, 2015 at 8 a.m. at the Fellowship Hall of the Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church at 1978 Highway 531 in Minden.

June 8, 2015

Growing Valley Missionary Baptist Church located at 1686 Fuller Road in Minden will kick off its Vacation Bible School at 6 p.m. The theme is 'Jesus to the Rescue' and will last until June 10.

The public is invited to a Gospel Crusade sponsored by the Crusaders District and hosted by the Forest Chapel COGIC, June 8 until 10 at 6:30 p.m. at the B.F. Martin Community Center located at 611 East Union Street. Speakers include Pastors Ketryn Anderson, Kenneth Bailey and Robert Moody. For more information, call Pastor Robert Moody at 318-780-9053 or Paster Kenneth Bailey at 318-377-6258.

# SPORTS

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## SPORTS briefs

### GOLF

#### LSU wins national championship

BRADENTON, Fla. – Just as he did in Tuesday's national semifinal against Georgia, LSU's senior All-American Ben Taylor scored the deciding point by rolling in a nine-foot par putt at the par-four 18th hole to claim a 1-up victory over USC's Bobby Gojuangco and hand the Tigers their fifth national championship with a 4-1 victory over the Trojans.

With All-SEC standouts Zach Wright and Brandon Pierce already in the clubhouse with match wins of their own and watching nearby, Taylor made it 3-for-3 for the Tigers in Wednesday's NCAA Championship Match by coming from behind on the back nine to defeat Gojuangco on the final hole and seal LSU's victory.

Pierce put the first point on the board for the Tigers with a 2&1 win over Rico Hoey, while Wright followed with a 3&2 victory over Sean Crocker to push LSU's advantage to 2-0 as Taylor played the 18th.

With All-SEC sophomore Eric Ricard defeating Jonah Teixeira by a 1-up margin and senior All-American Stewart Jolly going 1-down to Eric Sugimoto, the Tigers were crowned national champions for the fifth time in team history with a 4-1 victory over the No. 5-seeded Trojans.

"I'm just so proud of these guys," said LSU head coach Chuck Winstead of his team winning the national championship for the 2015 season. "It's hard to get into a position to even have a chance to win this tournament, and then when you show up out here today and you still have the resolve to play the way we did, I'm very proud of the guys on this team."

### MLB

#### Sale strikes out 13 to beat Rangers

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Jose Abreu homered in a six-run second after missing three games with an injured finger. Chris Sale struck out a season-high 13 in seven shutout innings and Chicago beat Texas.

Tyler Flowers added three hits, including a home run, as the White Sox bounced back from a 15-2 loss in the series opener.

Sale (5-2) retired the final 14 hitters he faced and struck out Joey Gallo three times before Texas' top prospect homered again a night after his record-setting debut.

Nick Martinez (4-2) allowed nine hits and seven earned runs in 3 1/3 innings — his shortest outing of the season — as the Rangers' four-game winning streak ended.

Texas announced after the game that Josh Hamilton will be out four weeks with a strained left hamstring, sidelining him just seven games into his return to the Rangers.

## LITTLE LEAGUE

# Making up for lost time

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**AA Exterminators 5 Roughneck Rentals 3**  
Hayden Whitehead led the Exterminators with a double, followed by Dylan Buckner with two base hits. Cody Vining, Connor Williams, Gavin Harris and Noah Jowers all had base hits for the Exterminators.

Roughneck Rentals was led by Rion Coker and Garrett Simpson who each had two base hits. Zander Powell and Braxton Glover both pitched in with base hits.

**Elm St. Dental 5 Wrecking Crew 4**  
Seth Mangrum tripled and doubled for Elm St. Dental, followed by Ethan Turner who doubled and singled on the night. Copeland Cupples and Kennedy Burns had a pair of base hits for Elm St., while Levi Rhodes, Mason Goodman and Eli Santelices all added hits.

**Wonder Boys 13 Braves 0**  
Reagan Coyle had an outstanding game, hitting a single, double and triple to lead the Wonder Boys. Easton Sanders had a big day as well with a pair of doubles and a single. Jackson Speer had a single and double, while Jaxon Smith and Kevin Berry each had two hits. Bryson Ranger, Gaige Machen and Luke Butcher each had base hits.

Trevor Tharpe and Gavin Miller each had base hits for the Braves.

**AAA Alpha Railroad 11 Kirk's Towing 6**  
Mason Lewis doubled for Alpha Railroad, followed by Price Miller and Will Davis with singles. Price Miller also pitched well, tossing three innings and striking out seven batters.

Michael Woodfork tripled and singled for Kirk's, followed by Darius Carter and Jaytron Willis with base hits. Cooper Parker struck out five batters on the mound.



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**Skeeter's 13 Farm & Garden 5**  
Jase Pate doubled and tripled for Skeeter's, followed by Ethan Vise with a triple, Jarret Strickland with a double and Nathan Tyler with a base hit.

Timothy Berry had a pair of base hits for Minden Farm & Garden, followed by Nathan Wall who had a base hit. Kevin Gill struck out five batters for Minden Farm & Garden.

**Apaches 24 Regulators 3**  
Maddix Mandino had a big night, crushing a pair of triples and adding a double. Landry Powell tripled and singled, while C.J. Watts, Cason Clemons and Jakobe Jackson

had base hits. Al Edwards had the only base hit for the Regulators.

**Holmont Blue Jays 17 Alpha Energy 5**  
Dexter Smith, Noah Spears, J.P. Parker and Jonathan Hardeman all had base hits for Holmont. Dexter Smith struck out seven batters on the mound.

Gavin Woodall had the only base hit for Alpha Energy and Bradley Dick struck out five batters.

**Dixie Youth MPC Bulldogs 10 Tide 2**  
Jonathan Parkerson tripled for the Bulldogs, followed by Carson Parker who doubled and singled, while Jackson Mayfield, Grady Brasher and

Connor Heard had base hits. Felix Weston doubled for the Tide's only hit.

**Swain's Sluggers 18 Braves 2**  
Keaton Moore and Cale Hollis tripled, Jackson Powell had two doubles, Hayden Brown and Brian Foster singled and doubled and Je'Dyah Taylor and Luke Thompson had base hits. Cale Hollis struck out six batters on the mound.

Matthew Harris hit a double and single to lead the Braves and Ryley Pate struck out three batters.

**Darlings Gray's Jewelry 15 Lions Club 1**  
Riley Austin and Baylee Bonsall each had three base

hits, followed by Abigail Clark, McKenna Chreene and Gemi Robinson with two base hits. Lauren Barrett, Vannah Edwards and Madison McGraw had base hits.

Alayha Banks, Keily Sumlin, Kendall Cummings, Markeithdra Willis and Baylee Strickland all had base hits.

**Dixie Angels Fuzion 6 Cooksey's Tax 0**  
Allee Spigener doubled and singled, Miranda Crabtree doubled and Tatum Hayes and Gracie Green singled. Molly Fanning struck out four batters for Fuzion.

Kelsie Morgan struck out four batters in the circle for Cooksey's Tax.

## FROM THE SPORTS DESK

# Best case scenario for NBA

After almost two months of hardly competitive play-offs, the NBA Finals begin tonight, and hopefully the series everyone was hoping to see can deliver big enough to salvage the season.

Despite losing Kevin Love to injury and a less than 100 percent Kyrie Irving, the Cleveland Cavaliers steamrolled through the Eastern Conference playoffs in complete control thanks to the sheer brilliance of LeBron James.

The four-time NBA MVP said recently he feels he is as good as ever entering his fifth straight finals. Considering the injuries and the early season struggles, if the Cavs can pull this series out, it would be James' finest accomplishment and put to bed any doubt that he can't win a title without a big three.

On the other hand, you have the Golden State Warriors who led the entire league in wins this year and have shown no signs of slowing down in these playoffs.

Led by league MVP

Stephen Curry, the Warriors have hardly broken a sweat this postseason in dismantling the Pelicans, Grizzlies and Rockets.

Although Curry is the engine that makes Golden State go, the Warriors are undoubtedly deep, rotating nine and sometimes 10 players regularly.

Klay Thompson has been on fire and should be ready to go following a scary concussion in game five of the Western Conference Finals.

Harrison Barnes has taken his game to another level, Draymond Green has been lights out defensively and on the glass and guys like Andrew Bogut, Shaun Livingston and Andre Iguodala have been just what the Warriors need them to be, consistent.

This series is dripping with intriguing storylines.

For example, can Draymond Green check LeBron James over a seven game series?

The last time the two teams met, James scored 42

points in a Cavs win with Green guarding him most of the night.

For the Cavs, the question is can they limit the splash brothers?

The first time the two teams met this season, Curry and Thompson combined for 57 points and six Warriors were in double figures.

Who will the X-factor be?

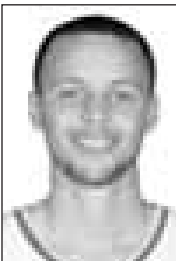
Barnes has been hot as of late, but don't forget the sharp shooting of J.R. Smith or the rim protection of someone like Andrew Bogut. Also, keep an eye on Tristan Thompson who has been a rebounding machine this postseason.

Regardless of who hoists the trophy, the winner will be the NBA television ratings.

It's two rookie head coaches vying for a title. It's the current MVP. It's the King's well-documented quest for a title in Cleveland.

The NBA playoffs have been a dud up to this point. King James and the baby-faced assassin are here to save the day.

Blake Branch is the Sports Editor at the Minden Press-Herald



**CURRY**

## STANLEY CUP FINALS

# Blackhawks steal game one

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) - Teuvo Teravainen and Antoine Vermette scored 1:58 apart late in the third period, and the Blackhawks rallied to stun the Tampa Bay Lightning 2-1 on Wednesday night.

Corey Crawford made 22 saves for the Blackhawks, who opened the final series in their quest for their third NHL title in six seasons with more of the clutch offensive play on which they've built a championship team — but they didn't get it from Jonathan Toews or Patrick Kane this time.

Instead, it was their youngest player, one who was more worried about public speaking than very public scoring.

"When I scored the goal, the first thing (I thought) was, 'Oh no, I have to go out in the media after the game,'" Teravainen said.

Teravainen scored through traffic with 6:32 to play, and he forced the

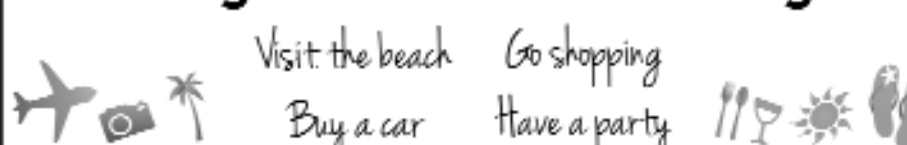
turnover that led to Vermette's winner with 4:34 left. Just like that, the Blackhawks erased Tampa Bay's home-ice advantage and silenced an Amalie Arena crowd celebrating Tampa Bay's first trip to the Final since winning the 2004 title.

"It's pretty amazing," Teravainen said. "I know we have a great team. We have a lot of experience, but myself, I'm a young guy here, so I try to bring some energy. Tampa Bay is a really great team. It's a fast game out there. You have to be ready."

Game 2 is Saturday night in Tampa.

With Toews and Kane off the ice and the clock dwindling, the Blackhawks' supporting players delivered. And after 2 1/2 periods of strong defense, the Lightning felt they got excessively cautious — Chicago's persistence finally was rewarded in dramatic fashion.

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THE UPWARD LOOK

# Casting your cares

*“Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God, . . . casting all your anxiety upon Him, because He cares for you.” 1 Peter 5:6-7 NASB*

The word “cast” was used for placing, literally throwing, a saddle or a pack on a horse or a donkey.

The animal carried the whole load of that weight. The word “anxiety” describes all the concerns, worries, stresses, troubles, and struggles of life. Peter is describing that one who trusts in God, who humbly submits to the mighty hand of God as the Sovereign Lord, that one can

place all his cares and worries on Jesus. He will carry the load because He cares for you. God is compassionate and loving toward those who trust Him.

Lord Jesus, no matter what problems and stresses may happen this day, I trust You to guide me

through them. Let me be filled with Your strength, peace, grace, and love as I go through my day.

*Max Hutto is a Baptist Minister and a resident of Minden. More information can be found at [www.upwardlook.org](http://www.upwardlook.org).*



**MAX HUTTO**

THE BIBLE SPEAKS

# Christian Paradoxes

Just what is a paradox? A couple dictionary definitions include “something (such as a situation) that is made up of two opposite things and that seems impossible but is actually true or possible” and “a statement that seems to say two opposite things but that may be true.” It is fascinating to note some commonly accepted though very important paradoxes of Christianity. We will look at a few.

“Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and

he shall lift you up” James 4:10. Jesus reinforced this teaching in multiple settings. “the last shall be first” Matthew 19:30. “If any man desire to be first, the same shall be last of all, and servant of all” Mark 9:35. From a worldly standpoint the concept just does not compute, but in the spiritual

Paul stated the following

paradox. “Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ’s sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong” 2 Corinthians 12:10. How can we be strong when weak? It makes sense when and only when one under-



**KATHY IRIZARRY**

stands that it is in the realization of our total inability

and weakness that we are open to and able to receive needed promised strength from the Lord.

How can being set free make us servants or slaves? That is what Paul stated in Romans 6:18. “Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.” This is understandable when we realize that we have two options – either we serve sin or we serve righteousness. There is no mid-ground. So, if we avail ourselves of God’s provision

to be free from sin, we are thereby freely choosing to become servants of righteousness, truly a wonderful choice.

In Philippians 3:7, 8 we find a whole new accounting system. Gains are losses and losses are gains in the spiritual sense. “But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ. Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them

but dung, that I may win Christ.” Things thought by the world to have great significance are meaningless when compared to spiritual realities.

Here is a paradox dealing with priorities with which we shall end. “He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it” Matthew 10:39. When our focus is on self, we stand to lose everything. When it is on Christ, we find abundance of life through Him

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# Obedience

The story of Adam and Eve is difficult to understand. Why was eating from the tree of knowledge of good and evil prohibited? The knowledge of good and evil is the root of having a conscience, and having a conscience is invariably praised as a good thing. The account in Genesis links eating from the tree of knowledge with death: "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die." (Genesis 2:16-17) Why was it necessary for them to die if they ate from this tree? These are perhaps unanswerable questions, and while it certainly is cause for wonder why knowledge of good and evil is linked to our mortality, perhaps a simpler way to look at this story is to remember that it is part of the creation story, and God is making the rules as he makes the world. What he says literally creates the rules, just as it creates the world, and Adam and Eve were cut off from the tree of life because they were disobedient.

Jesus restored our access to it by being obedient to God's will, accepting an agonizing and ignominious death on a cross. Are we being obedient to God's will in our life?

-Christopher Simon



*And He said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible for you. Take this cup away from Me; nevertheless, not what I will, but what You will."*  
Mark 14:36

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REALITY TELEVISION

# Sister of reality TV star Josh Duggar says he victimized her

Reality TV star Jessa Duggar told Fox News Channel on Wednesday that she was a victim of her older brother Josh Duggar, who fondled five girls when he was a teenager.

Jessa Duggar, featured like her brother in the family's TLC series, "19 Kids and Counting," told Fox in an interview conducted in Arkansas on Wednesday that she wanted to defend him. She said allegations he's a child molester or pedophile are "so overboard and a lie," Fox reported.

The Associated Press generally does not identify victims of sexual mistreatment. But Jessa Duggar is speaking publicly, in an interview that Fox's Megyn Kelly also conducted with her parents, Jim Bob and Michelle Duggar. While Fox distributed Jessa Duggar's quote Wednesday, it didn't show it during the one-hour special about the case, with Kelly instead saying Fox would air the interviews with Jessa Duggar and her sister Jill Duggar on Friday.

The Duggar parents said Josh Duggar, who's now 27, fondled four of his sisters and a family baby sitter when he was a teenager and confessed to them. The fondling was done over the girls' clothes and, except in two cases, happened when the girls were asleep, Jim Bob Duggar said.

Josh Duggar apologized for unspecified bad behavior two weeks ago when

the story came to light and resigned as a lobbyist for the Family Research Council, a conservative Christian group.

"I would do anything to go back to those teen years and take different actions," Duggar wrote online. "In my life today, I am so very thankful for God's grace, mercy and redemption."

He has not spoken publicly about fondling his sisters or the baby sitter and was not featured in Fox's interviews.

"He's very sorry," Michelle Duggar said in the interview, wiping away tears.

She said the fondling devastated her and her husband and made them question whether they had failed as parents.

Arkansas police last month said they had destroyed a record outlining a nearly decade-old investigation into Josh Duggar. No charges were filed in the abuse, which happened in 2002 and 2003. Police began investigating the abuse in 2006 when tipped by a family friend but concluded the statute of limitations had lifted.

Jim Bob Duggar said that before that investigation he had taken Josh Duggar to a Christian counselor and separately had him tell the stories to a state police officer near their home.

"We had all resolved it, we had forgiven, we had moved on in life," Michelle Duggar said.

"19 Kids and Counting"



is one of TLC's most popular shows, coming off a season of strong ratings after featuring the weddings of Jessa Duggar and Jill Duggar. TLC pulled reruns of the show off the air when allegations concerning Josh Duggar surfaced two weeks ago. The network has said no decision has been made about

whether the series will continue.

Jim Bob Duggar said the family is "fine whether they film us or not."

"We're just going to go on and live life," he said. "We're going to go on and serve God and make a difference in the world."

The couple criticized the leaking of police

records on the case as "an unprecedented attack on our family" that should be investigated.

Michelle Duggar said her daughters "have been victimized more by what has happened in the last couple of weeks than they were 12 years ago because, honestly, they didn't even understand and know that

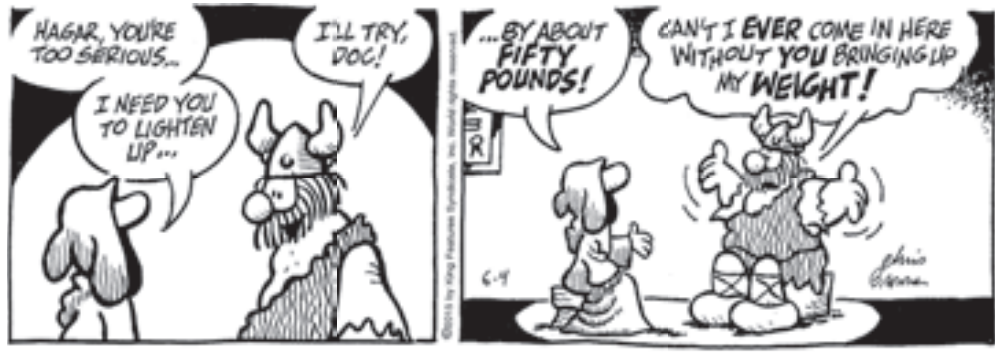
anything had happened until after the fact when they were told about it."

Jim Bob Duggar is a former state representative in Arkansas. Some of the state's Republicans, including presidential candidate Mike Huckabee, have expressed support for the family.

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**PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF MINDEN, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN IN REGULAR SESSION HELD ON MAY 4, 2015.**

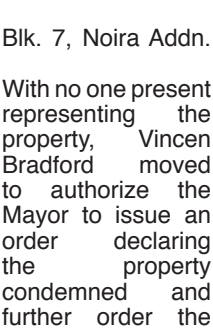
The Minden City Council met at City Hall, Minden, Louisiana, beginning at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Tommy Davis, Wayne Edwards, Fayrine A. Kennon-Gilbert, Vincen Bradford, Mike Toland and Benny Gray. Absent: None. The meeting was opened with prayer offered by Benny Gray and Jason Spradley, who is working toward the rank of Eagle Scout, led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Tommy Davis welcomed everyone to the meeting. Mrs. Kristine Cole of the accounting firm of Jamieson, Wise and Martin presented the audit findings for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014. At the conclusion of the audit presentation, Wayne Edwards moved to accept the 2013/2014 audit, as presented by the accounting firm of Jamieson, Wise and Martin. The motion was duly seconded by Mike Toland and carried unanimously.

Upon motion by Benny Gray and duly seconded by Wayne Edwards, the council unanimously adopted the minutes of Council Regular Session held on April 6, 2015, as presented.

Fayrine A. Kennon-Gilbert moved to accept the action of the Personnel Committee and confirm Jamie Franklin as a Police Officer in the Minden Police Department, subject to passing all applicable tests. The motion was duly seconded by Mike Toland and carried unanimously. The following action was

taken regarding condemned properties: Antonio D. McDonald 201 Cox Lane 509 Bradford Street Lot 75 x 152.5 ft. out of Lot #8, Minden, LA 71055 Blk. 7, Noira Addn.

With no one present representing the property, Vincen Bradford moved to authorize the Mayor to issue an order declaring the property condemned and further order the



demolition of any structures located thereon and the cleaning of the lot within 45 days of this date. The motion was duly seconded by Wayne Edwards and carried unanimously.

City of Minden 6 1 7 / 6 1 9 Sunset Lane P. O. Box 580 Lots #11 & 12, Warsaw Addn. in NE/4 of Minden, LA 71058

NE/4 Sec. 27-19-9

Wayne Edwards moved to authorize the Mayor to issue an order declaring the property condemned and further order the demolition of any structures located thereon and the cleaning of the lot within 30 days of this date. The motion was duly seconded by Fayrine A. Kennon-Gilbert and carried unanimously.

Upon motion by Fayrine A. Kennon-Gilbert and duly seconded by Vincen Bradford, the council unanimously adopted Ordinance No. 1052, An Ordinance

Abandoning a Fifteen Foot Alley that runs from Searles Street to Theus Street, more full described in said Ordinance No. 1052, as presented. Benny Gray moved to adopt a Resolution Adopting a Citizen Participation Plan for the Community Development Block Grant Program, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Mike Toland and carried unanimously. The Police Report for April of 2015 was unanimously approved, as presented, by the motion of Mike Toland and duly seconded by Benny Gray. Council comments were heard, public comments were heard, and the meeting was adjourned.

s/ Tommy Davis, Mayor

**A T T E S T :**

s/ Michael Fluhr, City Clerk

Please note: All attachments to these minutes are on file for public viewing at Minden City Hall, 520 Broadway Street during regular working hours.

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**ORDINANCE NO. 1053 OF 2015**

**AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAXES OF 5.70 MILLS AS GENERAL ALIMONY TAX ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA. THOSE TAXABLE PROPERTIES DESIGNATED AS A PART OF THE MINDEN DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT WILL BE ASSESSED WITH AN ADDITIONAL 1.91 MILLS MAKING A TOTAL OF 7.61 MILLS ON THOSE PROPERTIES LOCATED IN SAID DISTRICT.**

**SECTION 1: BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL, of the City of Minden, Louisiana, in regular session convened on June 1, 2015, that under the provisions of Article VII, Section 23 B of the Constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, the Council of the City of Louisiana, is authorized to levy and collect with the City of Minden, State of Louisiana, a tax millage of 5.70 which is hereby levied and imposed by the City of Minden on all taxable property, both immovable and movable, as shown by the tax records of the parish, affecting property assessed within the corporate limits of the City of Minden for the Year 2015, being 5.70 mills, Mill Key #5225001 as general alimony tax.**

**SECTION 2: BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Council of the City of Minden, Louisiana, in regular session convened on June 1, 2015, that under the provisions of Article VII, Section 23 B of the Constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, the Council of the City of Minden, State of Louisiana, is authorized to levy and collect with the City of Minden, State of Louisiana, those properties designated as a part of the Minden Downtown Development District will be assessed with an additional 1.91 mills, Mill Key #5225003, making a total of 7.61 mills on those properties located in said district.**

**SECTION 3: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, the property administrative officials of the Parish of Webster, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2015, and to make the collection of the taxes on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof**

shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law; SECTION 4: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. WHICH ORDINANCE was read in full and on motion of Benny Gray, seconded by Wayne Edwards, passed by the

following YEAS: Five NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None s/ Tommy Davis, Mayor s/ Michael Fluhr, City Clerk

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| <b>21</b> Be unsteady         | <b>60</b> Basin accessory        | <b>11</b> Elis' campus           | <b>40</b> Talk on and on     |
| <b>24</b> Nosh                | <b>61</b> Put down               | <b>16</b> Unruly bunch           | <b>43</b> Viewpoint          |
| <b>25</b> Fuss                |                                  | <b>20</b> Apprehend              | <b>45</b> Oft-tattooed word  |
| <b>26</b> Early bird?         |                                  |                                  | <b>46</b> Mideastern Strip   |
| <b>28</b> Ball-rolling game   |                                  |                                  | <b>47</b> "American —"       |
| <b>32</b> Typeface choice     |                                  |                                  | <b>48</b> Ship of 1492       |
| <b>34</b> Chic no more        |                                  |                                  | <b>49</b> Expand             |
| <b>36</b> Entreat             |                                  |                                  | <b>53</b> Wallet bill        |
| <b>37</b> Halloween option    |                                  |                                  | <b>54</b> Earl Grey, for one |
| <b>39</b> Possibly will       |                                  |                                  | <b>55</b> Sauce source       |

Solution time: 25 mins.

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Yesterday's answer 6-4

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