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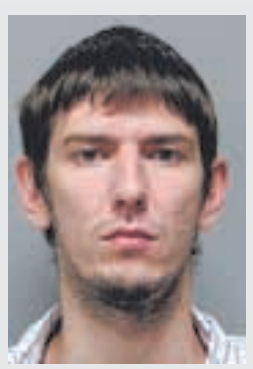
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Minden Police Chief Steve Cropper



Minden police officers are now equipped with body cams after receiving a grant to purchase the recording devices from MBL Bank. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald

BODY CAMS *now* IN USE

Minden police officers are now wearing video cameras in addition to badges, uniforms and gun belts.

Police Chief Steve Cropper says he has enough cameras for every shift and every officer, plus two for the detectives unit when they must serve a warrant. "We started issuing them Friday (July 31), and we've continued issuing this week," he said.

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Officer Kenny James shows off the new body cams the department started using last week. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald

MINDEN CRIME

Punch, busted lip lands boyfriend in jail

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A Minden man was arrested after reportedly busting his girlfriend's lip with a closed fist.

Wave-unta Amion Davis, 34, of the 900 block of East Street, was arrested Thursday, Aug. 6 and charged with second



DAVIS

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HEALTHCARE

Free breast cancer screenings tomorrow

STAFF REPORTS

In an effort to put its mission into motion, Komen Northwest Louisiana is returning to Minden.

The breast health screening event, dubbed "Pink Ribbon Pop Up," will be from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 11, for free

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AT THE MUSEUM

Dorcheat Historical Museum gala set for Sept. 14

STAFF REPORTS

The Dorcheat Historical Museum will host its seventh annual fundraising event Monday, Sept. 14.

Event organizers report the 2015 fundraiser promises to be as exceptional as the past museum events, with the "History and Memories" theme set for this year. Guests will be thrilled with the variety of silent auction items and the great variety of Louisiana cuisine.



FRANCIS

"We are so fortunate to

have the support of so many people from far and wide," Schelley Brown Francis, museum director, said. "We are pleased with our progress and we know we couldn't do any of it without so many generous friends and supporters of the museum."

Folk artist Cora Lou Robinson is in the process of painting yet another original painting for this event. Robinson's paintings have been a highlight at past auctions, bringing in thousands of dollars each year for the museum. Everyone is looking forward to seeing her new 2015 piece, Francis said.

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PUBLIC SAFETY

Chief: Be safe as school starts back Wednesday

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School starts Wednesday, and Minden Police Chief Steve Cropper asks motorists to be vigilant as students return to the classroom.

“Our officers will be in different school zones, and we want to try to keep the traffic slowed down,” he said. “We just ask everybody to be careful going through the school zones and drive slow. Observe the signs and watch for the school crossing guards, because they will be walking out in the middle of the

street stopping traffic.”

The speed limit through school zones is 25 miles per hour. If a motorist gets a speeding ticket in a school zone, it is an automatic court appearance if it is 25 miles per hour over the speed limit, he said. A ticket in the City of Minden costs \$156.50 plus \$2 for every mile per hour over the speed limit, Cropper said.

“Fines can vary, punishment can vary,” he said.



CROPPER



The speed limit through school zones is 25 miles per hour. If a motorist gets a speeding ticket in a school zone, it is an automatic court appearance if it is 25 miles per hour over the speed limit says Police Chief Steve Cropper. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald

“Under Judge Campbell, that was at his discretion, but we haven’t been through a school year with Judge (Sherb) Sentell. In the past, a school zone speeding ticket was a mandatory court appearance.”

One of the areas of most concern, Cropper says, is the Shreveport Road area. There are a couple of bus stops there, and the law states that if a bus is stopped with its stop signs out, then both sides of traffic must stop. Shreveport Road is only divided by double lines, and both lanes of traffic must stop. However, if a road has a

physical division such as a median, or barrier, then only the side where the bus is must stop.

“If a bus is coming into town on Shreveport Road and stops to load those kids, and the stop signs are out, then the traffic going out of town on Shreveport Road must stop,” he said. “We get complaints year after year because the traffic keeps on going. It’s a wide street, and they assume they don’t have to stop.”

Cropper asks everyone to be safe as students return to school Wednesday.

LOTTERY

No winners means jackpots rise in Powerball, Lotto, Easy 5

ASSOCIATED PRESS

BATON ROUGE — There were no big winners in the multi-state Powerball, Louisiana Lotto or

Easy 5 games, meaning those lottery jackpots will rise for the next drawings.

Louisiana lottery officials said Sunday that no tickets purchased for Satur-

day’s \$50 million prize matched the six numbers drawn, which were 9, 34, 48, 52, 54 and Powerball 15. Wednesday’s jackpot rises to an estimated \$60 mil-

lion.

No one purchased a winning ticket for the \$1.875 million Lotto jackpot. The numbers drawn were 4, 22, 24, 30, 34 and

37. Nineteen tickets had five numbers correct. Each is worth \$2,174.

Wednesday’s jackpot rises to an estimated \$1.95 million.

The \$60,000 Easy 5 jackpot will be worth an estimated \$70,000 after no tickets matched all five numbers drawn: 1, 5, 11, 20 and 29.

Webster sheriff in process of outfitting deputies with cameras

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So far, he says they’ve not had any incidents requiring the use of the cameras, but he feels better knowing his officers and the community will be safer with them in use.

“It protects the officers and it also protects the citizens,” he said. “I do take a lot of complaints on traffic stops and the cameras, most of the time, prove the officer did not do what they had been accused of doing. The officers are excited about it, and I’m excited about it, because it’s just another tool to protect them and the citizens.”

Stories can change and stories can be misconstrued, he said.

“Untruths can be told and that camera tells us what really happened,” he said. “It’s a good tool for

us.”

MBL Bank President Jack Byrd conducted a fundraiser at the beginning of this year for the department and the Webster Parish Sheriff’s Office to purchase the cameras. In May, Byrd said around Christmas, he talked to both the chief and Sheriff Gary Sexton and asked them if they had the funds in their budgets to purchase these cameras. They both said no. That’s when he says he got the idea to begin raising money for them.

“I thought it would be a good idea to see what we could do to support our law enforcement,” he said. “If you have the video, you could use that video in training classes on what to do and what not to do in situations.”

Cropper says the software that comes with the cameras will not allow the deletion of the videos

downloaded from the body cams. Last week, IT support installed the software and got the cameras up and running.

The Minden Police Department now has 27 cameras.

Sexton says he has not purchased cameras yet but plans to in the spring. He says with the October election so close, there is a window around that time period that will not allow him to spend over a certain amount from his budget.

“We’re under a time frame where prior to six months out and six months after an election that a sheriff cannot raise his budget over 15 percent of his normal operating costs,” he said. “We’re in

that time period where we’re six months into an election, so I have to watch my budget. I don’t know at this time if I can spend that money and still be complying with the law if I go over 15 percent of equipment costs.”

He’s looking into whether he can purchase the cameras now, but at this time, he’s not going to spend the money until he is absolutely sure.

“We are definitely going to body cameras,” he said. “If I’m not in violation of the ethics laws, more than



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likely, our deputies will be wearing body cameras before cold weather.”

He, like Cropper, believes the cameras will make a difference for his deputies and the citizens.

“We (he and the sheriff’s association) feel like law enforcement is under review across this country right now,” he said. “It comes down to the issue that the general public, we

feel like they will be more satisfied, with not only police officers, but deputy sheriffs wearing body cameras. It makes the officer aware that he’s being videotaped. It may make him clean up some of his remarks. The biggest thing is to be able to go back and reveal what the truth is. That’s the ultimate goal, is the truth.”



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MINDEN CRIME

Third arrest made in Griffith Stadium burglary

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A third arrest has been made in the burglary of a concession stand at Griffith Stadium in Minden. Timothy Bavaro, 25, of the 700 block of Highway 518, was arrested Wednesday, Aug. 5, and charged with simple burglary. Bond was set at \$50,000. According to the police report, Bavaro was picked up at the Calcasieu Parish

Sheriff's Office after they arrested him on Minden's warrant for simple burglary. He was transported from the sheriff's office in Lake Charles to the Minden Police Department where he was booked on the above charges. Police Chief Steve Cropper says he was located at a rehabilitation facility in Lake Charles. "Once we got information that he was another party involved and did some investigation, he was

located at a rehab facility in Lake Charles when we had probable cause to obtain a warrant," Cropper said. He says authorities in Lake Charles placed him under arrest when he was released from the rehab facility. Capt. Dan Weaver was



BAVARO



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the arresting officer. Two others were arrested in July in connection with this case. Joseph Michael Short, 17, of the 1100 block of Shreveport Road, was

arrested Thursday, July 23, and charged with two counts of simple burglary and one count of simple theft. All three charges were warrants from the Minden Police Department. Bond was set at \$12,000. Tyler Monday, 17, of the 600 block of German-town Road, was arrested July 20, on the charge of simple burglary in this incident. According to reports, Short turned himself into

police on the warrants, one of which was for the burglary of the concession stand at Griffith Stadium that was reported to police on July 1. He was questioned about the Griffith Stadium incident as well as two others. Both warrants were issued Wednesday, July 22. Cropper says Monday admitted to assisting in the burglary of the concession stand area, saying they took cases of drinks, candy and chips.

Gala brought in more than \$30k for Dorcheat museum in 2014

MUSEUM

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Other artists have also contacted museum board members about donating original works and museum members are thrilled with the response to help. The museum has had hundreds of visitors this past year from all over the country. It is a showplace for our area and has received quite a bit of notice from the Shreveport

area on local TV stations, magazines and newspapers. People are now seeing museum commercials on television, large billboards and ads in area publications. The museum's expansion project is something Francis says they are looking forward to for the future. Money was raised to purchase the building in 2013. The museum has a new roof and front on this newest building. Now plans for renovation and upgrading the building will

take place as money is raised for this long-term project. Many Minden residents will remember when the two buildings were connected as Major Office Supply with a door between the two sections. With the purchase of the building, the museum will once again hope to have a doorway between the two museum areas at some point in time. "When the media theater room opened several years ago, it gave the museum an extra advan-

tage of being able to offer the facility to others," Francis said. "We can now rent this part of the museum out for meetings, reunions and parties. Plus we have the added benefit of the theater systems for PowerPoint or video presentations." Becky Marvin, Janice Mourad, Cora Lou Robinson, Louise Snook and Key Elzen, Janet LaBruyere, Ann Harlan, Charlotte Martin, Dianne McGuire, Jo McCullough, Charlotte Jones and Mary Ann

Hamilton are all board members and the female driving force behind the gala. Not to be forgotten for all their hard work to make everything run smoothly are fellow board members Marcel Vandenoord, Richard Campbell, John Agan, Dr. Roy Phillips, Carleton Prothro, Lonnie Simpson and Ben Baldwin. "We can't have a successful event without your help," Francis said. Last year, the event raised more than \$30,000

and was attended by more than 150 guests. To attend or donate a service or an item for the 2015 gala, contact Francis at the Dorcheat Museum at 377-3002 or visit 116 Pearl Street. The cost to attend is \$25 per person. Mail in a response by Sept. 1. To sign up for updates, visit the website at www.museuminminden.blogspot.com or visit their Facebook group and page.

OBITUARY

David Allen "Dirty Dave" Nelson

David Allen "Dirty Dave" Nelson, 57, died Aug. 9, 2015, in Minden after a courageous battle with cancer. David is survived by his wife of 37 years, Cindy, of Minden; son, Shaun (Joni), of Minden; granddaughters, Brooke and Kaylie Nelson who were the delight of his life, of Minden; step-mother, Iris Nelson, of Minden; brothers, Gary Nelson (Sue), of

Pearland, Texas and Glen Nelson (Helen) of Minden; nieces, nephews, and countless friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, Max and Maudie Nelson. David was born on Nov. 6, 1957 in Minden where he has been a lifelong resident. From a young age, he was fascinated with mechanics and motors of all types. He always said there wasn't a motor he could-



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n't fix. David spent countless hours building and racing dirt track cars. Family and friends remember him as a hard worker who was always willing to help others. David was employed by Ad Signs for 25 years. David was a family man and a loving father. He was devoted to his family and enjoyed nothing more than going on vacation with his granddaughters and supporting them in their pageant and cheer activities. The family wishes to extend our sincere

thanks to Gamble Hospice Care, B.J. Pike, Jimmy Perryman, Ad Signs, Smith Marine, Shane and Cale Frye and Roughneck Rentals. At David's request, his body will be donated to the Louisiana State University for the advancement of science. A memorial service will be at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2015 at Calvary Baptist Church in Minden. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the David Nelson Medical Account at MBL Bank or the charity of the donor's choice.



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OPINION

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PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

Reaffirming our commitment to protecting the right to vote

The right to vote is one of the most fundamental rights of any democracy. Yet for too long, too many of our fellow citizens were denied that right, simply because of the color of their skin.

Fifty years ago this week, President Lyndon Johnson signed a law to change that. The Voting Rights Act broke down legal barriers that stood between millions of African Americans and their constitutional right to cast ballot. It was, and still is, one of the greatest victories in our country's struggle for civil rights.

But it didn't happen overnight. Countless men and women marched and organized, sat in and stood up, for our most basic rights. For this they were called agitators and un-American, they were jailed and beaten. Some were even killed. But in the end, they reaffirmed the idea at the very heart of America: that people who love this country can change it.

Our country is a better place because of all those heroes did for us. But as one of those heroes, Congressman John Lewis, reminded us in Selma this past March, "There's still work to be done." Fifty years after the Voting Rights Act, there are still too many barriers to vote, and too many people trying to erect new ones.

We've seen laws that roll back early voting, force people to jump through hoops to cast a ballot, or lead to legitimate voters being improperly purged from the rolls. Over the years, we have seen provisions specifically designed to make it harder for some of our fellow citizens to vote. In a democracy like ours, with a history like ours, that's a disgrace.

That's why, as we celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Voting Rights Act, I'm calling on Congress to pass new legislation to make sure every American has equal access to the polls. It's why I support the organizers getting folks registered in their communities. And it's why, no matter what party you support, my message to every American is simple: get out there and vote – not just every four years, but every chance you get. Because your elected officials will only heed your voice if you make your voice heard.

The promise that all of us are created equal is written into our founding documents – but it's up to us to make that promise real. Together, let's do what Americans have always done: let's keep marching forward, keep perfecting our union, and keep building a better country for our kids. President Barack Obama's weekly address is published Mondays in the Minden Press-Herald.

Give us your two cents!

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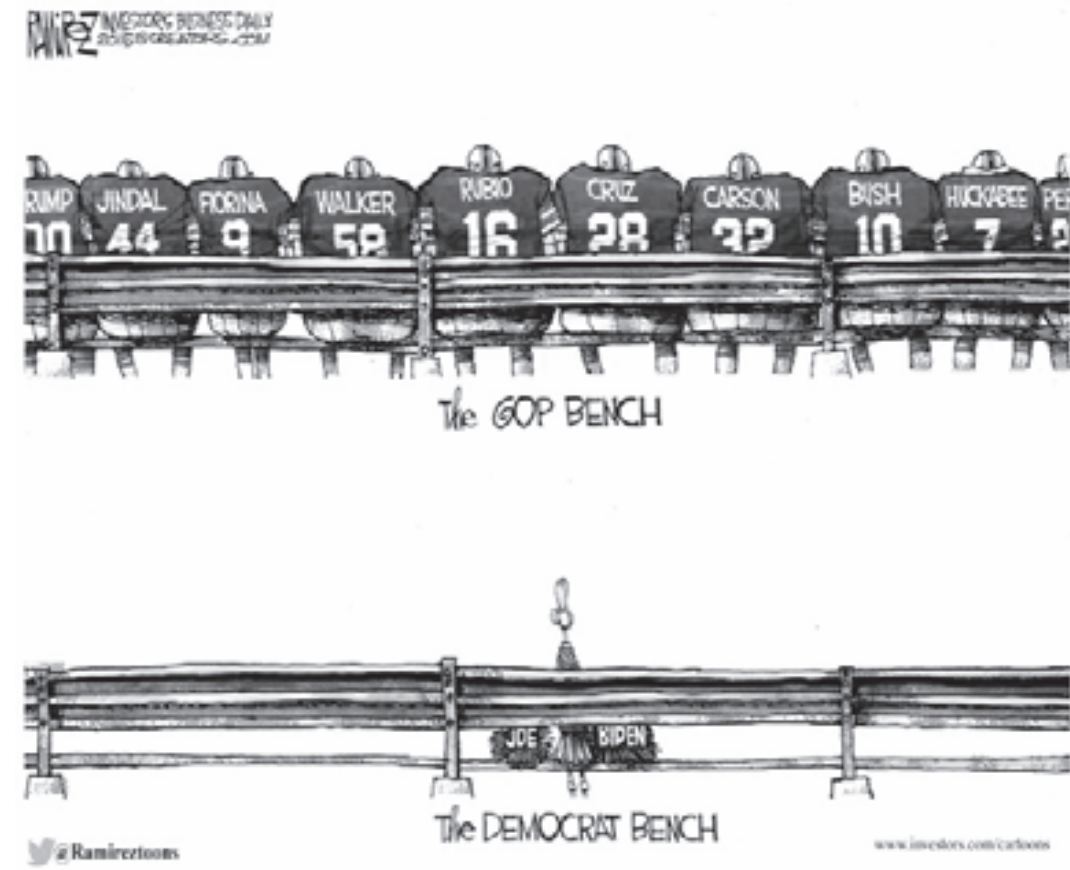
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ANALYSIS

At least 32 legislative seats open on fall ballot

Looking to break into legislative politics? Because of term limits, unexpected exits and the larger political ambitions of lawmakers, this fall's election offers opportunities for those who don't want to challenge a sitting legislator.

One of every five House seats and one of every four Senate seats is open in the Oct. 24 election, without an incumbent seeking re-election. At least 32 of the 144 state legislative seats will be up for grabs without a current occupant trying to hang onto it.

The largest driving force for the vacancies is term limits, which restrict lawmakers to three consecutive terms in each chamber. Term limits are forcing out seven senators and 14 House members this election cycle.

That doesn't mean those lawmakers are necessarily leaving politics.

Unable to run for their current seats, a couple of House members are trying to move to the Senate, and at least one senator is considering a bid for the House. Others required to leave their legislative posts are vying for new elected positions, like parish president. At least one lawmaker is talking about a likely run for Congress.

Lawmakers bidding their colleagues goodbye in farewell speeches in the recent legislative session had mixed feelings about their forced exits.

"Term limits suck. I'm not ready to go yet. I've still got the fire in my belly," said Rep. Austin Badon, D-New Orleans, suggesting his exit may not be permanent.

Sen. Robert Adley, who's spent 28 years in the Louisiana Legislature between his time in the House and the Senate, had a different sentiment.

"Unlike other people, I'm not sad about this. I'm not. It's a happy day for me," he told his colleagues. "I just pray that I've given it the dignity and the work ethic that it deserves."

Indirectly, term limits also are opening up another five House seats. The lawmakers haven't hit their cap in the House, but they see an opportunity with vacant Senate seats and are running for those instead, hoping voters will let them move to the upper chamber.

Two other lawmakers have their sights set higher, leaving legislative seats in hopes of winning statewide positions. Rep. John Bel Edwards, D-Amite, is running for governor, while Sen. Elbert Guillory, R-Opelousas, is seeking the lieutenant governor's job.

One House seat is open for the saddest of reasons. Rep. Alfred Williams, D-Baton Rouge, a lawyer completing his first term, died unexpectedly last week from knee surgery complications.

At least three legislators are leaving their positions simply to do something else in life, an inexplicable reason to some of their colleagues.

Rep. Erich Ponti, R-Baton Rouge, chairman of the House Commerce Committee, resigned in June to take a job as executive director of the Louisiana Asphalt Pavement Association. Sen. A.G.

Crowe, R-Slidell, said he wasn't running again to focus more on business and family.

The most recent surprise came from Sen. Rick Gallot, D-Ruston, who said he wanted to devote his time and energy to his wife and four sons, rather than driving the more than 220 miles to Baton Rouge for legislative work. He had no announced challenger.

"I am at peace with my God and in my spirit in making this decision," Gallot said in a statement.

Besides forced or volunteered exits, still other lawmakers might be ousted by challengers. Several House and Senate members seeking re-election face strong, well-financed competitors; some are targeted for opposition from business organizations.

In this year's legislative session, term-limited lawmakers offered unsolicited advice to those who will be newly elected or returning.

"We can do a lot of great work for the state of Louisiana if we remember one thing: a political party didn't send us to Baton Rouge, citizens did," House Speaker Chuck Kleckley, R-Lake Charles, said in his farewell speech.

Rep. Harold Ritchie, D-Bogalusa, warned his colleagues: "You only have two things here, your word and your vote."

Term limits will wipe out even more lawmakers in four years. Depending on the fall election's outcome, as many as 40 percent of the Legislature's members could be unable to run for re-election in 2019.

Melinda Deslatte covers the Louisiana Capitol for The Associated Press.

PERSPECTIVE

Ethical hunters shocked by Cecil story

BOZEMAN, Mont. — That picture of Cecil the lion's corpse and the American dentist posing triumphantly over it was ghastly. Cecil had apparently been lured out of a safe haven in Zimbabwe and illegally shot.

It happens that the Cecil story appalled many of the hunting and fishing writers gathered here by the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership. The partnership represents sportsmen dedicated to maintaining wildlife habitats.

Its members often see themselves squeezed between other environmental groups hostile to hunting and the "slob hunters" they believe sully the sport. And they feel underappreciated as protectors of the wild environment. Hikers and campers pay far less for conservation than they do.

"Cecil was an absolute disaster on multiple fronts," Don Thomas, a well-known outdoor writer and co-editor of Traditional Bowhunter Magazine, told me. From what is known, Thomas places most guilt on the dentist's hunting guides. It is their responsibility to know the laws and see that hunters abide by them.

"The hunter's errors seem to be more a matter of sleaze factor than of illegality," Thomas added, though he is not cleared of the latter.

But Thomas also has a problem with the Disney-fication of Cecil — "taking a wild lion, giving it a name and turning it into a faux pet as a tourist attraction." The biggest threat to African lions, he explained, is not hunters but the loss of wild habitat through human overpopulation, development and climate change.

What is ethical hunting?

It's not killing an animal who has no legitimate means of escape. It's not taking an animal who has been around people a lot and has lost its instinctual fear of humans. Collared and long studied by biologists, Cecil would seem to fit into that second category.

Ethical hunters have long condemned "trophy mania," that is, measuring the experience merely by the size of the antlers harvested.

The general public, meanwhile, does not grasp how much conservation is paid for by hunters and anglers.

Hunting and fishing license and permit fees largely go toward habitat restoration.

The Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act of 1937 taxes the sale of hunting gear. The proceeds, more than \$12 billion so far, go to state wildlife agencies for conservation. A similar tax on fishing equipment followed the 1937 law. Buy a fishing rod and you pay the excise tax. Buy a sleeping bag and you don't.

In 1900, fewer than 500,000 white-tailed deer remained in North America. Extensive deforestation, poaching and over-harvesting had decimated the population of deer, as well as of turkeys and ducks. Now there are 30 million white-tailed deer.

Better habitat care and hunting practices deserve the credit, Brian Murphy, a wildlife biologist who heads the Quality Deer Management Association, told me.

The complaints nowadays are of too many deer — and with reason. "Too many deer imperil the health of the forest, removing forage that other species rely on," he said.

Many hunters and anglers feel right at home in the locavore movement, which promotes food grown locally. They say their relationship with the hunted dinner is far more intimate than with a plastic-wrapped chopped meat shipped from wherever.

When his family says grace over a meal, it thanks the animal itself, Murphy said. "I've never felt that way over a Big Mac."

Furthermore, the game animal on the dinner table had probably enjoyed a far fuller life in the wilds than the penned cow turned into hamburger. These hunters have a point.

The Cecil story should have little to do with them.

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Around Town

August 8, 2015

The Golden Gates, Bro. Roy Flurnoy, King John Taylor, and Jody & Company will be performing at True Life COGIC's evening of "Old-Fashioned Quartet Singing" at 7 p.m.

New Light Missionary Baptist Church celebrates the anniversary of the Rev. Asby Kenta Glosson with an anniversary musical with special guests the Anointed Gospel Singers, Voices of Thunder and the Spiritual voices. Event begins at 6 p.m.

August 9, 2015

New Light Missionary Baptist Church celebrates the anniversary of the Rev. Asby Kenta Glosson with commemorative anniversary services at 3 p.m. with guest speaker the Rev. Johnnie Dyes

Saint James Missionary Baptist Church will celebrate its 149th church anniversary at 3 p.m.

Mount Dillard Christian Methodist Episcopal Church will have its homecoming and revival services at 11 a.m.

Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church will have homecoming services at 3 p.m. with special guest the Rev. Leroy Jones.

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August 10 - 12, 2015

St. Mark Baptist Church will have its annual revival nightly at 7 p.m. Guest evangelist will be the Rev. Arthur Douglas.

Mount Dillard Christian Methodist Episcopal Church will have its revival nightly at 7 p.m. with the Rev. Derrick Harris.

Miller Chapel Gospel Baptist Church will have its annual revival 7 p.m. nightly. Guest speaker will be the Rev. Asby Glosson. All are welcome.

Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church will have revival 7 p.m. nightly.

August 10 - 14, 2015

Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church will have its "Recalling the Christian" revival program at 7:30 p.m. nightly. Special guests include minister Nathan Richardson, Russell Robinson and the Rev. Demetrice Bell.

August 15, 2015

Antioch Baptist Church will have its pre-pastor's anniversary celebration at 6 p.m. with guest speaker Elder Carnell Cooper. Musical guests will include Union Grove Choir, Bro. Bernard Webb, Voice of Thunder and The Violinaries.

August 20, 2015

St. Rest will host a Betty Rose Watts Community Lunch at noon.

August 23, 2015

Antioch Baptist Church will have its fifth Pastor's Anniversary Celebration at 2:30 p.m. with guest pastor the Rev. James Smith.

Enjoy jambalaya in the Creole tradition

SPECIAL TO THE PRESS-HERALD

Travel anywhere in the United States and you're liable to find some delicious cuisine distinctive to a particular region. In Louisiana, Cajun and Creole cooking dominates many a restaurant's menu. Jambalaya is one of the more beloved dishes in Louisiana, where locals know there's a difference between Cajun jambalaya and Creole jambalaya. Creole jambalaya, such as the following recipe from Neal Corman and Chris Peterson's "Virgil's Barbecue Road Trip Cookbook" (St. Martin's Press) includes tomatoes and is a hearty enough dish to serve on its own.

Jambalaya

Serves 4 to 6

Seasoning Mix

1 tablespoon dried parsley flakes
1 1/4 teaspoons cracked black pepper
2 teaspoons kosher salt
11/4 teaspoons sweet paprika
1/2 teaspoon dried basil
11/2 teaspoons dried thyme
3/4 teaspoon ground white pepper
11/2 teaspoons onion powder
11/2 teaspoons garlic powder

Jambalaya

2 pounds boneless, skin-on chicken thighs
12 shrimp, peeled, deveined, tail on
6 tablespoons unsalted butter, divided
1/4 cup olive oil, divided
5 ounces andouille sausage, finely diced
4 ounces Tasso ham, finely diced
2 cups finely diced yellow onions

- 1 cup finely diced celery
11/2 cups finely diced green bell pepper
1 tablespoon chopped garlic
3 dried bay leaves
13/4 cups converted rice
2 cups finely diced fresh plum tomatoes
1 cup clam juice
2 cups chicken stock
- Salt and pepper, to taste
1. In a small bowl, blend the seasoning mix together and set aside.
2. Cut each chicken thigh in half, and evenly dust the thighs with 11/2 tablespoons of the seasoning mix. Dust the shrimp with about 11/2 teaspoons of the mix.
3. In a low and wide 6-quart (or larger) stockpot, add 1 tablespoon of the olive oil. Sauté the shrimp for about 1 minute per side. Remove the shrimp and set aside.
4. Repeat the process with the chicken, using the remaining oil. Remove the chicken and set aside.
5. In the same pot, brown the sausage and ham. Add the remaining butter, onions, celery, bell pepper, garlic, and bay leaves, and cook for 4 minutes.
6. Add the rice, stirring to coat it with the mixture. Sauté for 2 minutes. Add the tomatoes and cook for 3 minutes more.
7. Add the clam juice, chicken stock and chicken thighs. Bring to a boil, and then reduce to a simmer. Cook for 30 minutes, and then check the rice for tenderness and ensure the chicken is cooked through.
8. Fold in the shrimp and cook for another 3 minutes. Remove the bay leaves, taste, add salt and pepper, as desired, and serve.

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SPORTS briefs

COLLEGE FB LaTech back on the gridiron today

RUSTON — Louisiana Tech had its first official team meeting and opened up fall camp Sunday with 99 players reporting as preparations for the 2015 season begin. The team will hold its first practice Monday evening.

The Bulldogs enter the season with hopes on building upon last season's success after advancing to the Conference USA Championship Game in just the second year in the league but falling short against Marshall in the title game. LA Tech capped off the 2014 season with a 35-18 win over Illinois in the Zaxby's Heart of Dallas Bowl.

"This is the kickoff to the fall portion of the 2015 season," head coach Skip Holtz said. "The real excitement is that we are 27 days away from putting the ball on the tee and kicking off the season, with today being reporting day. It is finally here. This is a day we have long been waiting for, as coaches, players, fans and administrators. This is the start of it all. I know there is a lot of excitement and energy."

Louisiana Tech had 99 players report to camp Sunday for three weeks of preparation before opening game week starts in September. The Bulldogs will kick off the 113th season of Louisiana Tech Football on Sept. 5 against Southern in the newly expanded Joe Aillet Stadium.

NFL Hall of Famer Gifford dead at 84

Frank Gifford, a golden boy who helped usher the NFL into its golden age, died Sunday, exactly a week shy of his 85th birthday.

His family released a statement through NBC, which read in part: "It is with the deepest sadness that we announce the sudden passing of our beloved husband, father and friend, Frank Gifford. Frank died suddenly this beautiful Sunday morning of natural causes at his Connecticut home. We rejoice in the extraordinary life he was privileged to live, and we feel grateful and blessed to have been loved by such an amazing human being."

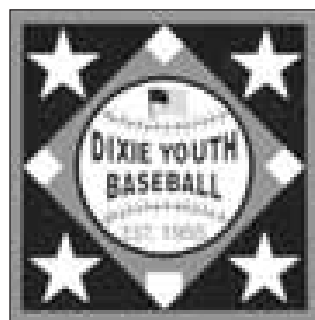
Gifford was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1977, 13 years after his 12-season career with the New York Giants concluded. A first-round draft pick in 1952 after an All-America stint at USC, Gifford's best season occurred in 1956, when he led the league with 1,422 yards from scrimmage on his way to MVP honors and helped the Giants win the NFL championship.

Two years later, he fumbled twice in New York's 23-17 overtime loss to the Baltimore Colts in the NFL title game, famously dubbed "The Greatest Game Ever Played."

DIXIE BASEBALL Bye bye, baseball



Courtesy Photo/Melanie Earnhardt



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NORTH MYRTLE BEACH - Minden's last team standing was eliminated from the Dixie World Series on Sunday, ending a remarkable summer for baseball here in Minden.

The AAA group fought there hearts out, making Minden proud in there short stay at the world series.

Here's a recap of the

action.

**Arkansas 15
Louisiana 14**

C.J. Watts led the way with a home run and a double for Minden. Brandon Winston smashed a double, while Maddox Mandino and Landry Powell had a pair of base hits. Jake Wilkins, Cason Clemons and Cooper Chase rounded out the offense with base hits.

Minden's pitching never found its way, walking 11 batters in the game

**North Carolina 12
Louisiana 1**

The North Carolina starter limited Minden to one hit, a double by Bryce Powell.

Maddox Mandino singled in the fourth inning, but North Carolina hung on to get the final outs needed for the win.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL Things get heated in Glenbrook scrimmage



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Tempers and temperatures were both flaring during Glenbrook's controlled scrimmage with Claiborne Academy and Riverdale on Friday afternoon in Apache Stadium.

The three schools traded big hits and big plays in the roughly two-hour scrimmage, highlighted by a brief scuffle between a Glenbrook and Claiborne lineman.

"I was over on the sideline tending to an injured player," Glenbrook head coach Caleb Carmikle said. "I don't think it was anything personal, the play extended beyond the whistle and that happens. It was hot outside and emotions were flying. We'll correct the issue and make sure it doesn't happen again."

n't happen again."

Between the whistles, the Apaches were physical, swarming to the football on defense.

Offensively, things were a little less thrilling as the team continues to search for chemistry in a new scheme.

"One big positive was our energy," Carmikle said. "We didn't have to worry about the kids being fired up."

However, we put the ball on the ground a couple times. Then there were several plays looking at film yesterday where we are one block away from busting one. A guy is supposed to block point A but went to point B. It's taking us some time to pick it up but when we did the right things we made plays."

Glenbrook travels to Monroe for their jamboree at River Oaks on Thursday, where the entire district is slated to participate.

On Monday, August 17, Glenbrook will host the JV jamboree at Apache Stadium.



Press-Herald Photo/Blake Branch

MINDEN HIGH FOOTBALL Time for Tide to pad up



The Crimson Tide will practice in pads tonight at 6 p.m. for the first time. Minden starts their season at Southwood on September 4. Press-Herald Photo

GLENBROOK SOFTBALL Lady Apaches earn three home victories



Glenbrook hosted a round robin softball tournament over the weekend, earning victories over Claiborne Academy, Riverdale Academy and Trinity Episcopal.

**Lady Apaches 4
Riverdale 2**

Alyssa Martin led the way for Glenbrook going 2-3 with a double, single and two RBI. Carsin Spurlock got in on the action with an RBI triple, while Hannah Mosley and Amber Lovitt added singles. Aubrie Dickson drove in a run off a Riverdale error.

Alyssa Martin pitched well, tossing five innings while striking out four batters and allowing just four hits.

**Lady Apaches 4
Trinity Episcopal 0**

Kate Marvin, Hannah Mosley and Amber Lovitt each hit singles for the only three hits Glenbrook would need. Alyssa Martin pitched well, striking out three batters and allowing just one hit.

**Lady Apaches 3
Claiborne 2**

Glenbrook would only need three runs to get past Claiborne Academy, as RBI singles from Faith Earnhardt and Megan Sims sparked the Apaches.

Aubrie Dickson and Kate Marvin pitched in singles to round out the offense, while Alyssa Martin pitched well once again.

Martin allowed five hits and struck out four batters through five innings to complete a perfect 3-0 weekend for herself and the Lady Apaches.

Next action is an away game with Central Academy today at 5:30. JV will start at 4.

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Police: Man shot near Ferguson protest critically injured

JIM SALTER
Associated Press

FERGUSON, Mo. — A man who opened fire on officers in Ferguson, Missouri, on the anniversary of Michael Brown's death was critically wounded when the officers shot back, St. Louis County's police chief said early Monday.

Chief Jon Belmar said at a news conference that officers had been tracking the man, who they believed was armed, during a protest marking the death of Brown, the black, unarmed 18-year-old whose killing by a white Ferguson police officer touched off a national "Black Lives Matter" movement.

The man approached the officers, who were in an unmarked police van, and opened fire, Belmar said. The officers returned fire from inside the vehicle and then pursued the man on foot when he ran.

The man again fired on the officers, the chief said, and all four officers fired back. He was struck and

fell.

The man was taken to a hospital, where Belmar said he was in "critical, unstable" condition. Authorities didn't immediately release the identities of anyone involved, but Tyrone Harris told the St. Louis Post-Dispatch the injured man was his son, 18-year-old Tyrone Harris Jr.

The elder Harris told the newspaper shortly after 3 a.m. that his son had just gotten out of surgery.

None of the officers was seriously injured. All four have been put on standard administrative leave. They were not wearing body cameras, Belmar said.

The shooting happened shortly after what the chief called "an exchange of gunfire between two groups" rang out around 11:15 p.m. Sunday while protesters were gathered on West Florissant Avenue, a business zone that saw rioting and looting last year after Brown's killing. The shots sent protesters and reporters running for cover.

The chief said an esti-



A member of the St. Louis County Police Department takes cover at a protest in Ferguson, Mo., Sunday Courtesy Photo

mated six shooters unleashed a "remarkable" amount of gunfire over about 45 seconds.

Belmar waved off any notion that the people with the weapons were part of the protest.

"They were criminals. They weren't protesters," he said.

The man who fired on officers had a semi-automatic 9MM gun that was stolen last year from Cape Girardeau, Missouri,

according to the chief.

"There is a small group of people out there that are intent on making sure that peace doesn't prevail," he said. "There are a lot of emotions. I get it. But we can't sustain this as we move forward."

Early Monday, another reported shooting drew officers to an apartment building in the area. Two men told police they were targeted in a drive-by shooting near the memori-

al to Brown outside Canfield Apartments. A 17-year-old was shot in the chest and shoulder while a 19-year-old was shot in the chest, but their injuries were not life-threatening, the St. Louis County Police said in a news release.

The anniversary of Brown's killing, which cast greater scrutiny on how police interact with black communities, has sparked days of renewed protests, though until Sunday they had been peaceful and without any arrests.

Before the gunfire, protesters were blocking traffic and confronting police. One person threw a glass bottle at officers but missed.

For the first time in three consecutive nights of demonstrations, some officers were dressed in riot gear, including bullet-proof vests and helmets with shields. Police at one point early Monday shot smoke to disperse the crowd that lingered on West Florissant, Belmar said.

One officer was treated for cuts after a rock was

thrown at his face, and two officers were pepper-sprayed by protesters, county police spokesman Officer Shawn McGuire said in an email. Five people were arrested, according to records McGuire released.

Several other peaceful events earlier Sunday were held to mark the anniversary.

Brown's father, Michael Brown Sr., led a march through town. It started at the site where Brown was fatally shot by officer Darren Wilson. A grand jury and the U.S. Department of Justice declined to prosecute Wilson, who resigned in November.

Later, a few hundred people turned out at Greater St. Mark Family Church for a service to remember Brown, with his father joining other relatives sitting behind the pulpit.

Organizers of some of the weekend activities pledged a day of civil disobedience on Monday, but have not offered specific details.

Chief says victim received 15 stitches after being hit in lip with closed fist

ARREST

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degree battery by domestic violence. Bond was set at \$20,000.

Chief of Police Steve Cropper says his arrest stems from an incident

that occurred on Cherry Street on July 31.

"The victim didn't actually come to the Minden PD until the following day," he said. "She had been to the emergency room."

He says she was at her residence with her boyfriend, identified as Davis, at about 3:40 a.m.

and apparently Davis had had quite a bit to drink. An argument broke out between the two regarding a cell phone purchase, Cropper said.

"She didn't want to argue with him, so she goes inside the residence and lays down on the couch," he said. "He follows her in,

continues to argue with her, and she closes her eyes and tells him she'll talk to him when he's sober. Apparently that aggravated him to the point where he takes a closed fist and hits her in the mouth, busts her lip, grabs her around the neck and begins to choke her until he realizes that

she's bleeding from the mouth."

The chief says Davis then left the residence and the victim went to the emergency room where she was treated for her injuries.

"She received 15 stitches to close her lip," Cropper said. "She came in the next

day, filed a report and filed charges against him."

Minden Det. Keith King Jr. obtained and executed the arrest warrant. Following Davis' arrest and booking, he was transported to Bayou Dorcheat Correctional Center.

No appointment needed for free breast exams at Tuesday's 'pop up'

EXAM

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screenings.

"The Pop Ups are a great way to not only showcase how fundraising directly benefits the local community, it also helps people in these areas put a face to Komen NWLA," Lindsay Dean, NWLA executive

director said.

The idea is to "pop up" in a targeted priority community at a high visibility location such as a grocery or discount store and provide breast cancer awareness education as well as clinical breast exams and mammograms, along with promoting the affiliate's upcoming fundraising events.

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"It's so encouraging to see faces light up when we walk into a dry cleaners or café and explain to the staff what Komen NWLA does and how they or friends

and family members can benefit from the services our community grantees provide," Kelley Matkins, NWLA mission coordinator, said.

No cost exams will be available without appointments for people who do not have health insurance. It's also a great chance to stop, talk and share breast cancer-related experiences.

The affiliate staff has also noticed the public seems to be more open to discussions about breast health experiences at Pop Ups and offering insight into their community views and attitudes toward screenings and access to care, thus providing helpful information on how Komen NWLA can best serve Webster Parish.

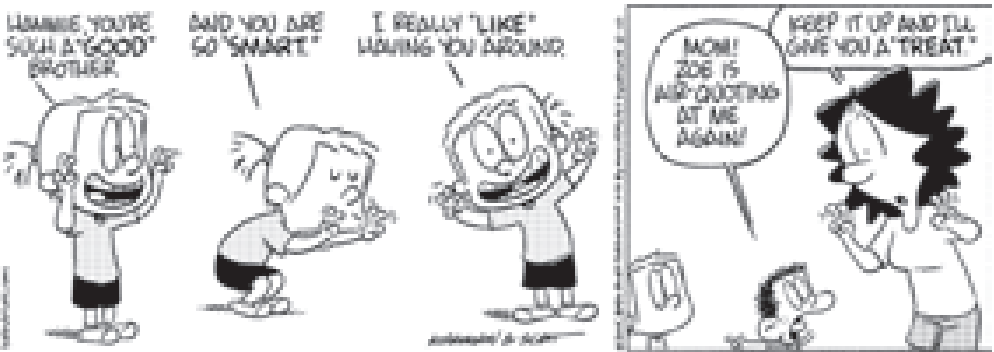
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ting the mission in motion, people benefit from the services provided by the grantees working together.

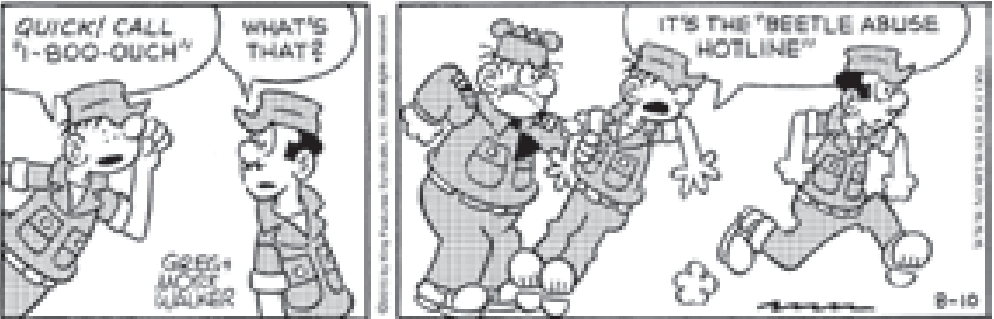
Registration information for the Sept. 26 Race for the Cure to be at Shreve City in Shreveport will also be available Tuesday.

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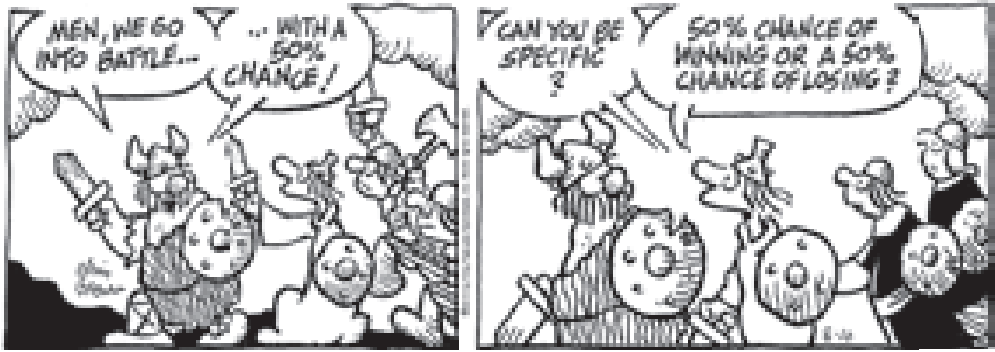
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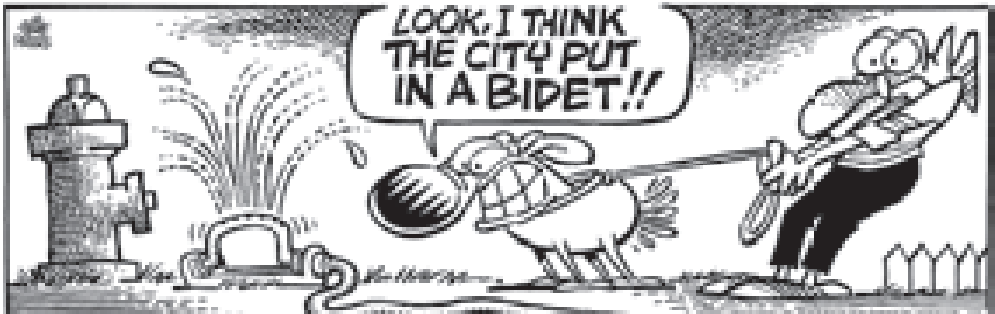
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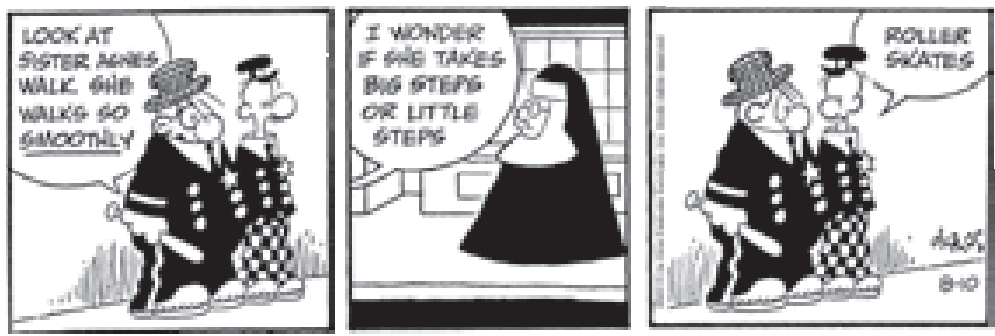
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Public Notificationof Non-Compliance Tier 3 (monitoring) Chlorine Residual Violation May 2015 Central Water System

We are required to monitor your drinking water for chlorine residual at our point of collection at the same time bacteriological samples are collected. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not your drinking water meets health standards. During the monitoring period of May 01, 2015 to May 31, 2015, the Central Water System did not monitor for chlorine residual at the same time bacteriological samples were collected, and therefore we cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time.

This violation occurred because of the failure to collect the required samples for chlorine residual from the water system's distribution system.

Necessary action has been taken to prevent this violation from recurring.

Water samples are now required to be collected and turned in by the 20th of each month to preclude further occurrence of such incident.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

This notice is being sent to you by the Central Water System, LA 1119003. If you have questions about this notice please contact the water system directly: Samuel Mims, Vice President at 318-382-9556.

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Public Notificationof Non-Compliance Tier 3 (monitoring) Bacteriological Violation May 2015 Central Water System

We are required to monitor your monitor water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not your drinking water meets health standards.

During the reporting period

of May 01, 2015 through May 31, 2015, the Central Water System did not complete all monitoring or testing for coliform bacteria as set forth in the State and Federal Primary Drinking Water Regulations [Part XII of the Louisiana State Sanitary Code (LAC 51:XII)]. Therefore, the Central Water System cannot be sure of the quality of your drinking water during that time.

This situation was due to failure to collect required bacteriological samples for monitoring period May 01, 2015 through May 31, 2015, for the Central Water System.

What does this mean? This is not an emergency. There is nothing you need to do at this time. As our customer, you have the right to know what happened and what is being done to correct the situation.

The Following actions have been taken to correct this issue:

The water operator simply forgot to collect samples for the month of May 2015. Water samples are now required to be collected and turned in by the 20th of each month to preclude further occurrence of such incident. Other system personnel check for completion of this task and if not accomplished, time still remains to get it done during the required test cycle.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

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The Property May Be Viewed, August 11, 2015, 9AM—11AM
All Bids Must Be Submitted By Thursday, August 13, 2015. Bids Must Be In A Sealed Envelope With The Bidders Signature Along The Envelope Flap For Security
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Friday's Answer: FOR DESSERT AFTER THE YEARLY SEASIDE DINNER, THE VACATIONERS ARE GOING TO HAVE BEACH COBBLER.
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: S equals T

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ACROSS	41 "Am I my brother's —?"	DOWN	21 Science room
1 Trophy room, maybe	43 Sock part	1 Medics	23 Mrs. Al Bundy
4 Recede	44 Related (to)	2 Grand tale	25 Henry —
7 Bloke	46 Shrivel	3 In the vicinity	26 "Meet Me — Louis"
11 Oil cartel	50 Unite	4 Kreskin's claim	27 Quite some time
13 The Red or the Black	53 Gripe repeat-ly	5 Duck's prominence	28 Pinnacle
14 Inauguration recitation	55 Frat party garb	6 Pesto ingredient	29 Wide-spread
15 "Arrivederci"	56 Reed instrument	7 Makes money?	30 Ontario neighbor
16 Faux —	57 Hot tub	8 Owns	31 Flee from a crime scene
17 Second-hand	58 Break suddenly	9 Noshed	35 Morsel
18 Wash the pots	59 Traps for one	10 Third degree?	38 "A mouse!"
20 Potter's oven	60 Conger, for one	12 Bed-spreads	40 Boar's mate
22 Pinch	61 Mag. staffers	19 Occupation, for short	42 Clean the suds off
24 Its capital is Riga			45 Back of the neck
28 Twisted treat			47 Region
32 Existence			48 "Zounds!"
33 Ireland			49 Siestas
34 Talk on and on			50 Trot
36 Get up			51 Japanese sash
37 Blazing			52 Charged particle
39 Round pegs in square holes			54 8 pts.

Solution time: 27 mins.

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Friday's Answers

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