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WEBSTER TOURISM

## Officials tout state tourism numbers

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SPRINGHILL — Louisiana tourism is one of the top revenue generators for the state, topping oil and gas revenue.

Kyle Edminston, assistant secretary for the Louisiana Office of Tourism, stopped in Springhill Tuesday for the Webster Parish Convention and Visitors Bureau Commission meeting, touting the state's high numbers of outside visitors, including an ever-increasing number of

international visitors.

"We achieved these numbers because of groups just like you across the state," he said. "The state doesn't own any hotels, we don't have any destination to market for the state as a whole. So, we couldn't do what we do or have the success that we have if the individual tourism commissions and marketing divisions weren't doing a great job."

Across the state, he says 2014 is the third year in a row that every record has

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Kyle Edminston, center, assistant secretary for the Louisiana Office of Tourism, talks to commission members about the growth in tourism Louisiana has enjoyed for the last few years. Pictured from left, Johnnye Kennon, Edminston, outgoing commissioner Lamar Smith, Etta Jo McCullough and Frances Irving. Michelle Bates/Press-Herald

## BREATHING NEW LIFE INTO MINDEN

### Officials to outline economic development agenda for city

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Minden city officials will host three public meetings detailing implementing the strategic development plan.

Economic Development Director James Graham says the plan was developed in 2013 and its time

to put it in place.

"We will discuss the specific type of industries we are going after," he said. "It gives people that are preparing for future employment an understanding at what they need to look at."

Graham says the meetings will also give industries a look at who their future customers and suppliers will be.

The first meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Minden City Hall. Two other meetings will follow at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 22 at the Community House located at 711 Gladney and at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 24 at Minden High School.

Graham says the meetings will be open for the public to answer questions.

MINDEN CRIME

## Meth charge lands 1 in jail

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A Minden man was arrested on drug warrants after he was released from a mental health evaluation.

Jason Miller, 36, of the 300 block of McEachern Road, was arrested on two warrants, one for possession of Schedule II (methamphetamine) and possession of drug paraphernalia. Bond was set at \$52,500. Webster Parish Sheriff Gary Sexton says his family had him committed at University Health for a mental evaluation and after he was released, he was arrested on the two warrants.

"When our deputies got down there, we found out he was in possession of methamphetamine, so he was arrested on those charges," he said. "After he was released from University Health, he was arrested and taken to BDCC."



**MILLER**

## EPA workshop set for Thursday in Doyline

An open house and environmental workshop, hosted by the Environmental Protection Agency, has been set from 6 until 8 p.m. to discuss several topics concerning groundwater and historical activities at Camp Minden.

To be hosted at the family life center at First Baptist Church, 619 College Street,

in Doyline, workshop participants will learn about historical activities such as the discovery of the contamination, how it became an EPA national priority list site and site cleanup.

Information will also include the current status of the work related to the former ammunition plant as

well as site groundwater elements including past and present sampling, hydrogeology, and the extent of the impact to the area.

This workshop is focused on groundwater and historical activities at the former ammunition plant and not current Camp Minden Exploration site activities.

### REMINDERS

#### BURN BAN

The Webster Parish Police Jury and the Fire Chief's Association of Webster Parish has placed Webster Parish under a burn ban effective Friday, Sept. 11. All outside burning is prohibited. The ban is expected to last until significant rainfall occurs in the parish.

#### CHICKEN CARBROIL

The annual Minden Lions Club Chicken Charbroil is set for Saturday, Sept. 26. The ready-to-go plates will be for sale for \$8 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. in Walmart parking lot. Proceeds from the lunch will go towards the Louisiana Eye Foundation and the Lions Crippled Children's Camp.



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## AROUND THE STATE

### State police to seek delay on new ID rules

BATON ROUGE — Louisiana State Police will request that federal authorities allow people to continue using the state's driver's licenses as identification to enter U.S. courthouses, military bases and some other federal offices.

Col. Michael Edmondson, the state police superintendent, tells The Advocate the request is being drafted and will be ready in the next couple of days. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's order to enforce the REAL ID goes into effect on Oct. 10.

The federal agency says air travelers can still use Louisiana licenses as identification to board planes until sometime in 2016.

Louisiana is one of four states and American Samoa that have failed to comply with the REAL ID Act that Congress passed as a result of the 9/11 terrorist attacks 14 years ago.

## AROUND THE STATE

### Jay Dardenne unveils first TV ad in governor's race

BATON ROUGE — Republican candidate for governor Jay Dardenne has started his TV advertising, pitching himself as a nonpartisan, straight talker who will "make Louisiana proud."

With the launch of his 30-second spot Tuesday, Dardenne, the state's lieutenant governor, became the last of the four major contenders for governor to begin TV ads.

A narrator describes Dardenne as holding elected offices for 25 years without a "hint of scandal," a seeming reference to the prostitution scandal of GOP front-runner, U.S. Sen. David Vitter.

The ad comes with fewer than six weeks before the Oct. 24 election.

Republican Scott Angelle, a member of the Public Service Commission, has been advertising for months, while Vitter went up in August. Democrat John Bel Edwards, a state representative, started airing his first TV ad over Labor Day.

## AROUND THE STATE

### Report: State 4th in rate of women murdered by men

A report finds that Louisiana ranks fourth in a disturbing category: the rate of women murdered by men.

An annual study released Tuesday by The Violence Policy Center, a nonprofit group in Washington, D.C., analyzed FBI homicide statistics for 2013, the most recent available.

Researchers found that murders involving one female victim and one male offender took place at a rate of 1.99 per 100,000 residents in the state.

South Carolina was first, with a rate of 2.32, following by Alaska, 2.29 and New Mexico, 2.00.

Nationwide, 1,615 females were murdered by males in single-victim, single-offender incidents in 2013.

## AROUND THE STATE

### Republicans oppose new safety rules on offshore drilling

NEW ORLEANS — Republican lawmakers on Tuesday criticized an Obama administration move to toughen standards for offshore drilling, saying the new rules would be costly for drillers and threaten to shut down oil and gas exploration off the nation's coasts.

The Interior Department is preparing to issue standards to close what it says are gaps in blowout preventer rules. A blowout preventer is a piece of equipment designed to shut an out-of-control well. Such a device failed catastrophically when a BP well blew out in 2010, causing a massive oil spill.

But the Republicans blasted the new rules at a field hearing of the U.S. House Committee on Natural Resources in New Orleans. No Democratic members showed up.

The Republicans complained the rules are too government-driven and costly to industry. The Republicans also questioned whether the new rules would make drilling safer. They also argued that drillers have proven they're safe under current regulations.

Besides aiming to strengthen blowout preventers, the rules require more record keeping by drillers, force companies to do real-time monitoring of drilling operations and take steps to dig safer wells. The rules are expected to be phased in over years.

The new drilling rules — which critics say have been slow to be handed down — grew out of calls for increased safety in offshore drilling following the massive BP spill in 2010. The blowout destroyed the Deepwater Horizon drilling rig, killed 11 workers and sent millions of gallons of crude oil spilling into the Gulf.

The committee's chairman, U.S. Rep. Rob Bishop, R-Utah, said the proposed rules add "complexity with-

out putting proven methods in place that reduce risk."

Unless the rules are changed to meet industry demands, he said they could effectively close down oil and gas exploration and production in the Gulf.

Bishop cited an analysis commissioned by the American Petroleum Institute, an industry group, that found implementing the rules would cost the industry \$32 billion over 10 years. By contrast, the Obama administration has calculated the rules will cost the industry about \$1 billion to implement.

In a statement, Raul Grijalva, the ranking Democrat on the committee, called the hearing "part of a public relations campaign that isn't dealing with the substance of the issue."

"The Republicans seem to have forgotten about the Deepwater Horizon disaster and the other oil spills we continue to see offshore," Grijalva of Arizona said. "The industry can't regulate itself any longer. That time is past."

Lars Herbst, regional director of the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, testified that the new rules are needed to prevent future spills. He pointed out an increasing number of incidents where operators have lost control of wells in the Gulf in the past two years, and said the rate of such incidents now is similar to what was seen before BP's catastrophic spill in 2010.

Herbst also cited a 2013 Gulf blowout in which a rig with 44 workers on it caught fire. The fire lasted for more than 72 hours. All the workers were evacuated.

"Blowouts like these can easily lead to much larger incidents," Herbst testified.

He said regulators were meeting this week with the industry to discuss the regulations in detail before they become final.

## TOURISM

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been broken, touting 28.7 million visitors to Louisiana, spending \$11.2 billion, with 21.2 million overnight stays.

The most important number, he says, is that there are more than 225,000 Louisianans employed by tourism.

"That's hard jobs," he said. "It's the fourth largest jobs in the state, and in the last year and a half, it is the only job sector that has continued to grow faster than the national job rate. It generated \$836 million in state tax revenue. As a state taxpayer myself, that's \$836 million that we didn't have to come up with to put in the coffers for general fund for education, healthcare, protective service, all the things that the government is supposed to do for the citizens."

He gave several other numbers and talked about the things that drive people to come to Louisiana, saying it is Louisiana's unique flavor that attracts many of its tourists, especially international tourists.

While Louisiana is not one of the top four or five tourist destinations in the United States, it is unique because of its culture; it's different and authentic, he said.

In financial business, chairman Kerry Easley says that while the auditor was not able to attend to present the auditor's report, the commission received a clean audit report with no findings.

"This is like the sixth or seventh year in a row that there have been no findings," he said.

Income is up by roughly 44 percent, Lynn Dorsey, executive director, said. It's up 30 percent overall, she says, and it's largely due to



**Webster Parish Tourism commission president Kerry Easley presents outgoing commission member Lamar Smith with an award in appreciation for his service to Webster Parish tourism.** Michelle Bates/Press-Herald

the influx of hotel/motel sales tax increases from the opening of Muddy Bottoms ATV and Recreation Park.

To date, the tourism commission has disbursed \$777,706.93 in grants since 2003, says Johynne Kennon.

A new secretary was appointed following the resignation of Mary McKinney who served as the commission's secretary. Frances Irving was selected to take the



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## CAMEOS OF MINDEN

# What is old?

**JUANITA AGAN**  
Special to the Press-Herald

Remembering our yester-days is what old folks do most of the time. I heard a man say he remembered fifty years ago better than last month's activities. I have written about all the games we played seventy years ago, and just today I remembered another we said "One for the money, two for the show, three to get ready, and four to go!" That was the way we started foot races. My children's generation had their own set of games, and their own terminology.



**AGAN**

**A Song**  
Sometimes I stop and think "why, I am OLD!" Time has a way of passing, sometimes too quickly. My son knows that I love the music from the movie "Fiddler on the Roof", and especially the

song "Sunrise, Sunset" and he gave me a CD with Perry Como singing that song. He had given me a new CD play-er for my birthday and I have it on my desk. This song was written by Sheldon Harnick and Jerry Bock. The words just touch my heart and express my thoughts so much better than I can. Some of the verses are:

Sunrise, sunset, sunrise, sunset,

Is this the little girl I car-ried,

Is this the little boy at play?

I don't remember growing older, when did they?

When did she get to be a beauty,

When did he grow to be so tall?

Wasn't it yesterday that they, were, small?

Sunrise, sunset, sunrise, sunset,

Swiftly fly the years,

One season following another,

Laden with happiness and tears.

I play the song, and find

myself in tears each time I hear it, because it is so true. I forget that I am old. I still have the same dreams, and the desire to work, the same joy of anticipation, but I cannot do all the things I would like to do because time has crept up on me. There may be springtime in my heart and mind, but my body attests to the fact that I have reached the wintertime of my life. And the years do fly by so quickly, don't they?

### Schooling

Just this past month another member of the Class of 1939 died, and that made our small list of those living even shorter. All our teachers have been dead for many years, but they are still so vivid in my memory. The high school that they presently call "the old build-ing" brings back so many memories, happy memories of classmates and of teachers who loved us into learning.

And then I think of the years of my children's schooling, of me driving them to the many piano and

organ lessons, of majorette practice, of clarinet and trumpet lessons, and of all the church activities that they were a part of. I cannot realize that they, too, have grown older, and even the grandchildren are growing older with the oldest grand-son past thirty now, and the baby is 21.

### Smell the Roses

I still love to read, often reading six or eight books a week. I enjoy listening to music - classic, popular, sacred, and country and western. I enjoy a funny story, or a joke just as I did when I was young. I find myself admiring a pretty set of dishes that would be nice for breakfast dishes. then I remember that I am 81 and there are not many more years to prepare breakfast and I put the thought of buy-ing the dishes out of my mind.

Perhaps this Cameo is directed to the young, and especially the young married couples. Make each day count, and as the slogan says

"Take time to smell the roses." Make happy memo-ries and keep them in your heart so that you can think of the happy days of long ago, and remember scenes that are long gone from Minden.

I cannot say that I wanted my children to stay children, and never grow up, but as they grow older, so do I, and I can no longer do the things that brought me so much pleasure. I loved to do things for people, and I am doing good to have a meal on the table once a day, and some-times that meal has to last two days (not leftovers, planned overs.)

### Saying Goodbye

And of course as the years pass we have to say goodbye to those we love, our parents, our spouse, and often some have even had to say goodbye to a child. These, too, were part of our memories. Some-body said "It is better to have loved and lost, then never to have loved at all." I agree. Not only did I love my hus-band for himself, but I love him for the two wonderful

children that he gave me.

I have a peace in my heart about growing old, but some-times I am shocked when I think of just how old I have gotten to be. But, at least, my heart is happy.

Robert Browning wrote his wife, Elizabeth Barrett Browning the lines "Grow old along with me, the best is yet to be, the last of life for which the first was made; Our times are in His hand who saith 'a whole I planned, Youth shows but half, trust God, see all, nor be afraid!'" I don't know about the part that says "the best is yet to be", but I'll invite you to "Grow old along with me."

*Juanita Agan submitted a weekly column to the Press-Herald for more than 15 years until her death in 2008. She was a resident of Minden since 1935. The Press-Herald is republishing select articles from Mrs. Agan's Cameos column every Wednesday.*

## ACROSS THE STATE

# Laptop stolen from LSU doc's car had patient info

NEW ORLEANS — A lap-top stolen from an assistant professor's car may have exposed health information of about 5,000 minor patients, most of them from Louisiana and Mississippi, the LSU Health New Orleans School of Medicine said Tuesday.

The university sent noti-fication letters Monday to thousands of patients, but

didn't have addresses for about 6 percent of the patients seen by Dr. Christo-pher Roth between July 2009 and July 16, 2015, said Dr. J. Christian Winters, vice chancellor of clinical affairs.

So the school is asking patients who saw Roth between those dates to get in touch with the school if they don't get a letter notifying them of the theft.

Roth reported the theft July 17, saying the laptop had been stolen from his car sometime between the evening of July 16 and early July 17, according to a uni-versity news release.

The laptop did not carry any Social Security, credit card, bank account, insur-ance or other billing infor-mation, Winters said, and officials don't know of any

access or misuse of the data, which included names, birth-dates, diagnoses and treat-ments, outcomes, test results and images, and medical record numbers.

"There was a small num-ber of patients where addresses may have been on the laptop," he said. "The majority did not have addresses, did not have patients' names."

But Roth's patients are urged to visit www.identi-tytheft.gov to learn how to deal with identity theft, and are being offered a one-year subscription to a credit mon-itoring service.

Roth will be disciplined for violating medical school policy against leaving its mobile devices unattended, the news release said.

Because the laptop was

not available and its informa-tion was not routinely uploaded, hospital and med-ical practice records were used to identify patients whom Roth had seen since July 2009, Winters said. That work and forensic analysis of the laptop hard drive's contents through maintenance computer data took nearly eight weeks, he said.

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ROUND UP

## The Advocate on employment in the state

While all is not sunny in Louisiana's economic outlook, the number of jobs in the state overall is growing. This is happening despite a recent fall in jobs in metropolitan New Orleans, apparently because of a decline in hurricane reconstruction projects, and losses in oil and gas exploration and services. Yet the losses elsewhere have been offset by continued growth in metropolitan Baton Rouge and in the Lake Charles area, where a boom in petrochemical construction is driving job numbers.

But even as we celebrate the growth across the state in both technology jobs and in the oil and gas mainstays of our economy, the craft trades, health care and professional services offer good jobs at good wages.

In a meeting with Advocate editors and reporters, New Orleans Mayor Mitch Landrieu recently noted the region's initiatives to link the underemployed with jobs — to overcome hurdles in transportation and education. During the 10th anniversary of Hurricane Katrina, it's particularly relevant because of a decline in the demand for construction workers; there is a natural ebb in reconstruction spending over time.

There also is a serious impact in the oil patch, particularly in the Lafayette and Houma areas, as job cuts have followed last year's sharp decline in oil prices.

Where Louisiana has an opportunity going forward is in jobs that require training or apprenticeships post-high school, but not at the level of a four-year degree from a university, or even a full two-year associate degree from a community college.

That opportunity beckons not only in greater New Orleans but in the entire state.

The Baton Rouge Area Chamber, in a new report, focuses on what are often called "middle skill" jobs, the craft trades and health care service workers who can make good livings at what they do.

"Many of the new jobs coming online require an associate's degree or less," BRAC President Adam Knapp said. "These are high-wage jobs, in high-growth industries that represent tremendous professional opportunities for our citizens."

That report outlines several ways in which industry and government can work together to develop or expand training opportunities for these new openings.

In conjunction with BRAC, the Center for Planning Excellence will release a companion report — "Entering the Pipeline: Engaging Disconnected Workers in our Regional Economy" — identifying barriers that prevent workers from training for the high-demand fields and how resources can be better used to engage the underserved.

Particularly as the anniversaries of hurricanes Katrina and Rita pass, there ought to be a new emphasis on these jobs. We don't believe that focus should be at the expense of those able and willing to get a four-year degree; a college education is still one of the best investments in the future a family can make. But there are a lot of jobs to be done, and these "middle skill" jobs promise a good salary and other benefits for a family — something that no economic development specialist should ignore.

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PERSPECTIVE

## Attack on teachers

As the new school year begins, you might like to be updated on some school happenings that will no doubt be repeated this academic year. After this update, I have some questions one might ask the black leadership.

The ongoing and escalating assault on primary- and secondary-school teachers is not a pretty sight. Holly Houston is a post-traumatic stress specialist. She counsels teachers in Chicago public schools and reported, "Of the teachers that I have counseled over the years who have been assaulted, 100 percent of them have satisfied diagnostic criteria for PTSD." It's not just big-city schoolteachers traumatized. Dr. Darlyne Nemeth, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, said last year, "I have treated many teachers with PTSD, and I am currently following a few of them."

A Philadelphia seventh-grade girl with a history of incidents against her teacher sprayed perfume in the teacher's face after telling her that she smelled "like old white pussy." After telling her classmates "I'm about to kick this bitch's white ass," she shoved the teacher, knocking her to the floor. In 2014, a Philadelphia 68-year-old substitute teacher was knocked out cold by a student (<http://tinyurl.com/orldslb>).

JIM  
HIGHTOWER

Earlier that year, two other teachers in the same school were assaulted. By the way, Philadelphia schools employ close to 400 school police officers.

In a school district near St. Louis, teachers have had pepper spray and dog repellent sprayed in their faces. A Baltimore teacher had his jaw broken. In Baltimore, each school day in 2010, an average of four teachers and staff were assaulted. A 325-pound high-school student in Houston knocked out his 66-year-old female teacher (<http://tinyurl.com/oqxmrfg>). Nationally, an average of 1,175 teachers and staff were physically attacked each day of the 2011-12 school year.

School violence is going to get worse. Last year, the Obama administration sent all the school districts in the country a letter warning them to avoid racial bias when suspending or expelling students.

Secretary of Education Arne Duncan claimed that racial discrimination in the administration of discipline is "a real problem today. It's not just an issue from 30 or 40 or 50 years ago." Last year, in Washington, D.C., an official of a teachers union tried to explain to a national gathering of black elected officials why white teachers are so problematic for black students, saying they just do not understand black culture. Excuses and calls for leniency will embolden school thugs.

What about student conduct in the 1930s, '40s and '50s? Don't take my word. Ask black congressional representatives, 46 percent of whom were born in the '20s,

'30s or '40s. Start off with Reps. John Conyers (86), Charles Rangel (85), Eddie Bernice Johnson (79), Alcee Hastings (79) and Maxine Waters (77). Ask them whether their parents or kin would have tolerated their assaulting and cursing teachers or any other adult. Ask them what would have happened to them had they assaulted or cursed a teacher or adult. Ask whether their parents would have accepted the grossly disrespectful behavior seen among many black youngsters in public places — for example, using foul language and racial epithets. I'd bet the rent money that they won't tell you that their parents would have called for a "timeout." Instead, they will tell you that they would have felt pain in their hind parts. Then ask these leaders why today's blacks should accept behavior that previous generations would not.

The sorry and tragic state of black education and its attendant problems will not be turned around until there's a change in what's acceptable behavior and what's unacceptable behavior. That change must come from within the black community. By the way, it is an idiotic argument to suggest that white teachers are problematic for black students because they don't know the culture. I'm nearly 80 years old, and during my North Philadelphia school years, in schools that were predominantly black, at best there may have been three black teachers.

EDITORIAL  
ROUND UP

## The Courier on state officials looking at alternatives for a north-south highway

For far too many people in our region, traveling anywhere east or west first means traveling for miles on two-lane roads through swamps.

The problem has persisted for years, but there hasn't been much relief.

Smaller projects that repaved portions of those roads treated the literal surface of the problem, but the primary dilemma remains.

So it is welcome news that state officials are looking at alternatives for a north-south highway that would better connect U.S. 90 with La. 3127, which runs from Donaldsonville eastward to Interstate 310 at Boutte in St. Charles Parish.

That roadway, much of it four lanes, is good for getting people from our area east or west and on to larger roads that can help them to safety during evacuations.

A new roadway that would ease motorists' access to the east-west roadways would be a welcome improvement to daily travel.

But for times of emergency, it could be an actual lifesaver.

When the order comes to evacuate, we have tens of thousands of people on roadways that struggle to carry a fraction of that load on normal days.

And the potential for catastrophe is great.

On a two-lane road, even a minor crash can cause large backups and hours of delay. If such a scenario unfolds during an evacuation, the results could be disastrous.

"Yes, you can go north, south. You can use (La.) 24 and (La.) 20 to get out. But where else in this area can you do that? There is no system redundancy. So if this fails, connectivity fails," said Stephanie Phillips, a state engineer who is working on the future road project.

Phillips was in Thibodaux for a public meeting to go over the alternatives.

The two primary alternatives basically go east or west around Thibodaux to connect U.S. 90 with La. 3127. Either way, our entire region wins.

Getting from, say, Schriever to Vacherie now is a time-consuming effort on even the best day. If there is any sort of delay, it can become daunting. And in evacuations, the route quickly becomes clogged.

Another north-south route, one that is larger and can accommodate more traffic flow, would be a boon for motorists and could save lives in times of emergency.

Upon that larger premise there is widespread agreement, Phillips said. There has been some division among local residents over which route they would rather see come to fruition.

But that is a matter best left to the experts. It will likely depend on which rights-of-way are easiest to secure.

Either way, our region will be much better off than it is today.

Unfortunately, for now, the project remains in the distant future.

The estimated cost of \$735 million is a stumbling block, of course, particularly at a time when the state faces such substantial budget difficulties.

The need for it, though, is clear.

Let's hope it remains on the state's radar and that the financing for it can be found. Our people need and deserve a way to get to safety.

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## September 18, 2015

Richland State Bank will sponsor an American Cancer Society Relay for Life Fundraiser from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Hamburger plates with all the trimmings will be available with a \$7 donation. Delivery will be available.

## September 19, 2015

Full Deliverance Church will have “An Evening of Gospel” at 6 p.m. Guests will include the Canton Southernairs and the Amos Brothers. For more information contact Pastor Brown at 318-268-1251.

## September 20, 2015

Blue Run Baptist Church will have a Family and Friends Day program at 3 p.m. with special guest the Rev. Calvin Williams. All churches are invited.

Annual Choir Day at Pleasant Valley Baptist Church will be at 3 p.m. with special guest Pastor Willie McGee.

## September 26, 2015

The Anna Pink Ribbon Cancer Foundation will present a “Beauty in Pink Fashion Show” at 1 p.m. at the Minden Civic Center. Call 318-639-5035 for more information.

## September 27, 2015

Faith-to-Faith Ministries COGIC will celebrate its one year anniversary at 3 p.m.

Mt. Comfort Baptist Church will be celebrating 146 Years of God's Grace and Mercy at 2:30pm. The Reverend Royal Scott from Greater St. Paul will act as special guest.

Annual Men Day program to be held at Union Grove Baptist Church at 3 p.m. Guest pastor and church will be Pastor R.J. Atkins and St. Mark Baptist Church from Magnolia.

# Fair Princess Pageant Deadline Extended

The Minden Civitan Club 2015 Fair Princess Pageant will be at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 19 at Minden High School.

Age divisions are: 0-12 mo; 13-23mo, 2-3 years; 4-6 years; 7-9 years; 10-12 years; 13-15 years, and 16-18 years.

Entry fee is \$45 and \$10 for photogenic competion (optional division). Photos must be turned in by noon Sept. 18. There is also a people's choice division.

Each contestant will receive a trophy on stage to

honor their beauty. For more information contact Lela Lemoine at 268-2553 or Janis Bryan at 426-1619 or wstevebry@aol.com. Entry forms may be recieved via email or picked up at Belle of the Ball and Steve's Clockworks.

Winners in each division will recieve a crown, sash and trophy. They will form the Fair Court with the Webster Parish Fair Queen and will ride in the 2015 Fair Parade.

# Hiker's and Hunter Beware: Long, vigorous hikes take toll on feet, ankles

As brightly colored leaves dazzle the fall landscape, hikers and hunters nationwide will migrate to mountains, woods and fields, but many, unfortunately, are ill prepared for the beating their feet will take, warns a local foot and ankle surgeon.

“Hikers, hunters and others who love the outdoors often don't realize how strenuous it can be to withstand constant, vigorous walking on uneven terrain,” said Stefan Lorincz, DPM, local foot and ankle surgeon, and member of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons (ACFAS). “Lax physical conditioning and inappropriate footwear bring scores of outdoor enthusiasts into our office each fall for treatment of foot and ankle problems such as chronic heel pain, ankle sprains, Achilles tendonitis, fungal infections and severe blisters.”

“Walking up and down steep hill-sides and tramping through wet, slippery fields and wooded areas puts stress on the muscles and tendons in the feet and ankles, especially if you haven't conditioned properly before hitting the trail,” said Lorincz. “Also, many don't realize that cross-training athletic shoes aren't the best choice for

extended hiking and hunting. Had some of my patients worn sturdy, well-constructed hiking boots, they wouldn't have suffered sprained ankles or strained Achilles tendons.”

Dr. Lorincz advises hikers and hunters to make the investment in top-quality hiking boots. He said strong, well-insulated and moisture-proof boots with steel or graphite shanks offer excellent ankle and foot support that helps lessen stress and muscle fatigue to reduce injury risk. “The supportive shank decreases strain on the arch by allowing the boot to distribute impact as the foot moves forward. So if a boot bends in the middle, don't buy it.”

In wet and cold weather, wearing the right socks can help prevent blisters, fungal infections and frostbite. Lorincz recommends synthetic socks as the first layer to keep the feet dry and reduce blister-causing friction. For the second layer, wool socks add warmth, absorb moisture away from the skin, and help make the hiking boot more comfortable. “Wool lets moisture evaporate more readily than cotton, so fewer blisters develop,” he added.

What happens if your feet or ankles hurt during a hike or hunt? Lorincz said pain usually occurs from overuse, even from just walking. “If you're not accustomed to walking on sloped or uneven ground, your legs and feet will get tired and cause muscles and tendons to ache,” He explained. “To avoid


a serious injury, such as a severe ankle sprain or an Achilles tendon rupture, rest for a while if you start hurting.”


According to the ACFAS consumer website, FootHealthFacts.org, pain is a warning sign that something is wrong. “Serious injury risk escalates significantly if you continue hiking in pain. This goes for skiing too. Beginners should take on less difficult trails until they become better conditioned and more confident.”

Evaluation by a foot and ankle surgeon is recommended if there is persistent pain following a hiking, skiing or hunting outing. “I'm most concerned about ankle instability and strained Achilles tendons. Inattention to these problems at their early stages may lead to a serious injury that will keep you off the trails for a long time,” Lorincz said.

Hikers and hunters seeking further information about ankle sprains, Achilles tendon injuries and other foot and ankle problems may contact Dr. Lorincz by calling Louisiana Foot and Ankle Center in Minden at 318-377-5000.

FootHealthFacts.org is the consumer Web site of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons (ACFAS). Dr. Lorincz is a member of the ACFAS and board Certified in Foot and Ankle Surgery. He earned his podiatric medical degree from Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine at Rosalind Franklin University in North Chicago, IL.





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## SPORTS briefs

### NCAA

#### Texas A.D. Patterson gone after 22 months

AUSTIN, Texas — The awkward dismissal of Texas football coach Mack Brown came first. That was followed by the firings of school President Bill Powers and basketball coach Rick Barnes.

Now athletic director Steve Patterson is gone, too, after less than two years — an abrupt end to his rocky tenure atop the nation's wealthiest athletic program that remains in turmoil.

Patterson, whose aggressive approach to raising money rankled fans and some major donors, resigned Tuesday in what university President Greg Fenves called a "mutual" agreement.

Fenves refused to say he fired Patterson but said "this has been a decision that's been building over recent weeks," and noted he'd heard from "hundreds if not thousands" of Texas fans concerned about the program.

Patterson's departure came three days after a plane carrying a "Patterson Must Go" banner circled the football stadium before the Longhorns' first home game of the season. His tenure lasted only 22 months.

### NFL

#### L.A. stadium talks progressing slowly

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The NFL's point man on Los Angeles said he has decided that officials from San Diego and St. Louis who are trying to keep their NFL teams won't make presentations on their stadium plans at the owners meeting next month.

Eric Grubman said Tuesday that after talking to owners, he felt the Committee on Los Angeles Opportunities would want to speak to the presenters in some detail and the owners might benefit from a back-and-forth discussion about the potential projects.

"That kind of dialogue usually doesn't happen at league meetings when there are outside presenters, and particularly when we have a full agenda," Grubman said.

Grubman said it's likely the NFL will be talking to the cities directly during the next several weeks.

"We communicated our thinking to both cities," he said.

Matt Awbrey, spokesman for San Diego Mayor Kevin Faulconer, said he viewed Grubman's position as a positive.

"To better allow for an in-depth presentation, the NFL is looking at having hometown cities present to a smaller setting of team owners ... to update them on San Diego's progress and commitment to keeping the Chargers in San Diego," Awbrey said.

Awbrey said the city and county team "continue to have regular discussions and a positive dialogue with NFL officials."

## HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL Lady Apaches fall, 5-3



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RAYVILLE - The Glenbrook Apaches crushed Claiborne Academy Monday 20-2, led by the hot bat of Megan Sims who went 4-4 with 4 RBI.

On Tuesday, they took aim at the Riverfield Academy Lady Raiders, traveling to Rayville and coming up short in a 5-3 loss.

Glenbrook took the early lead at 1-0 in the top of the first on a Kate Marvin RBI single, scoring Alyssa Martin.

The two teams remained deadlocked at 1-0 until the bottom of the fifth when Riverfield exploded for five runs to take a 5-1 lead into

the top of the sixth.

Senior Carsin Spurlock led off the sixth with a single, followed by a walk to Amber Lovitt and another Kate Marvin single. An error by the Lady Raider shortstop on a ball hit by Faith Earnhardt would score Spurlock and Lovitt, making the score 5-3.

Unfortunately, Riverfield would escape the sixth with just the two runs allowed, and Glenbrook couldn't complete the comeback in the seventh.

The loss moves Glenbrook's record to 18-8 on the season.

Kate Marvin led the Lady Apaches with a pair of singles, followed by Spurlock's single for Glenbrook's only hits in the game.

The Lady Apaches will need their bats to heat up as they prepare for the stretch run, starting with Thursday's road game and district finale at River Oaks in Monroe.



Glenbrook's Amber Lovitt drives a pitch to centerfield in a game earlier this season against Riverfield. Courtesy Photo/Tiffany Lovitt

## HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY High hopes for Lakeside Cross Country

Special to the Press-Herald

In 2014 the Lakeside Warrior Cross-Country teams took the 2A individual girls' crown and placed second and third in the individual boys' state meet. Alissa Lander, Eric Greene, and Cody Robinson all return for the 2015 season.

Robinson and Lander,

juniors, and Greene, a senior, will lead another strong team under coach Dan Grantham.

The Warriors began their season at the Choudrant Invitational.

In the varsity boys three mile event freshman Tyler Davis led the way finishing ninth at 17:52. Logan Bailey took 35th with a 19:52. There were 109 runners in the boys' race.

Tynia Joiner finished 66th in the girls' race running 28:39. There were 99 runners in this division.

In the two mile junior high girls' division Kaylee Davis led the way finishing 10th at 16:40. Zachary Kerrigan place 15th at 17:24. Finishing 21st was Essence Anderson at 18:03. Alaina Stiles was 26th at 18:22. Egypt

Anderson was 33rd at 20:02. Finishing 42nd was Melody Barraclough at 21:46. There were 50 junior high girl runners.

The two mile boys' junior high race featured 55 runners. Austin Nunn placed 33rd at 16:47. Trent Gordon was 47th at 19:59. In 49th was Jeremiah Brown at 20:50.

Former Lakeside star and current McNeese

State Cowboy, Enrique Soto, began his Junior season running a 12:45 3K for 2nd at the McNeese 6K Relay Run. This event featured teams from McNeese, ULL, LSU, and Southeastern.

Next action for the Lakeside teams will be at the Episcopal Round Table Run in Baton Rouge on Saturday, September 12. This meet will feature

## YOUTH FOOTBALL Glenbrook tops Riverdale in pair of games



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### 3rd/4th Grade Glenbrook 20 Riverdale 0

The Glenbrook Apache youth teams were back on the gridiron this past

week, starting with the third and fourth grade team.

In the third and fourth graders shutout win over Riverdale, Reagan Coyle had 53 yards rushing to go with 12 catches. Garrett Brown caught five passes, Chase Sentell ran for 98 yards and Landry Powell added 70 yards rushing.

Coyle, Powell and Sentell all scored touch-

downs for the Apaches, with Coyle and Brown both scoring on extra point tries as well.

Landry Powell led the team in tackles with six, followed by Garrett Brown with five and Cade Herron with three.

### 5th/6th Grade Glenbrook 33 Riverdale 6

The fifth and sixth grade youth Apaches ran out to a big lead and won

easily as well, stomping the Rebels fifth and sixth grade team 33-6.

Quarterback Peyton Wells had a great game passing, accounting for 166 yards and two touchdowns through the air.

His leading receiver on the day was Cooper Chase, who finished with 82 receiving yards, one touchdown reception and one touchdown

run.

Cason Clemons made plays for the fifth and sixth grade team also, adding 51 yards receiving and a touchdown of his own.

On the ground, Maddox Mandino dominated, rushing for 193 yards and two touchdowns.

Mandino also tied C.J. Watts for the team lead in tackles.

## MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL Rangers surge past Astros, into first place

ARLINGTON, Texas — Adrian Beltre and Prince Fielder teamed up again in a tense Texas showdown, and this time the Rangers overtook the Houston Astros for first place in the AL West.

Beltre's fourth hit Tuesday put the Rangers in position to win in the bottom of the ninth inning a night after Fielder pulled them within a half-game of the Astros for a tiebreaking two-run home run with Beltre aboard in the eighth.

Mitch Moreland's sacrifice fly finished the 6-5 victory Tuesday night.

Eight games back and in third place in the division after losing on Aug. 1, the Rangers have gone 27-14 since. They've won five straight over the Astros, who had been in first place since July

28. Texas won the first two of this four-game series.

"They have fought, scratched, clawed all ways imaginable to get to this point," first-year manager Jeff Banister said. "We're not done yet. Still got a long ways to go."

Fielder opened the ninth with a single to left off Oliver Perez (0-2), and pinch-runner Drew Stubbs went to third on a single from Beltre, who drove in two runs with a single in the first and a tying double in the fourth.

Moreland sent a 1-0 pitch from Will Harris to Colby Rasmus in shallow center field, but Rasmus' throw was off target and bounced, allowing Stubbs to score easily.

"If I make the absolute perfect throw, I might

have a chance at Stubbs," said Rasmus, who had moved over from left field in the eighth. "He can fly. I might have tried too hard to make the perfect throw instead of just throwing it."

Texas closer Shawn Tolleson (6-3) pitched a scoreless ninth as the Rangers (77-67) moved into sole possession of first place for the first time this year, at a season-high 10 games over .500.

"We're not going to look at us being in first or wherever we're at right now," Moreland said. "We've still got a couple of weeks left in the regular season and we're going to continue to focus on each game."

Houston (77-68) holds the second AL wild card, 1 1-2 games ahead of Minnesota after the



Courtesy Photo

Twins lost to Detroit 5-4. The Astros have lost six of eight on the road trip and have one of the worst road records in the AL at 29-44.

"This is really intense baseball," Astros manager A.J. Hinch said. "It's fun to do it; it's not fun to lose. I felt we deserved a little better fate."

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# Coach marks 75 years with punk cowgirls and mixed prints

NEW YORK — The luxury brand Coach celebrated 75 years in business Tuesday, not just with bags and shoes, but with bright cowgirl leather and prairie flower frocks for women.

Yes, actual clothing to go along with all those drool-worthy accessories you, your mom and your daughter may have at home, or wish you did.

The company has shown smallish clothing collections before at New York Fashion Week, but this was the first full runway spectacle, staged on the elevated High Line among old rail tracks once used by meatpackers but now a favorite park spot filled with wildflowers and high

grasses.

In his fourth collection for Coach, British creative director Stuart Vevers acknowledged this season's mixed-print dresses and leather jackets were aimed at broadening interest in the brand's clothing among young women.

These cowgirls were intended to be of the surf, skate and punk variety.

"Of course it's a challenge, but it's what I should be doing as creative director. I need to look into the future and use our heritage as a touchstone for everything that we do," Vevers said backstage. "What I think American luxury means to the younger generation is a

certain sense of ease, something that feels relaxed. They need an inherent authenticity. It doesn't have to be perfect. It's not precious. That for me feels very relevant today, and for Coach."

This collection, harkening back to the '70s in style, turned iconic Coach touchstones on end. The saddle-colored leather and the horse and coach were there, Vevers said, "They're just presented in a new way."

Victor Luis, the company's chief executive, said leather craftsman still labor away for Coach's in its sample production facility in New York City as they have since the beginning, making handbags one at a time.

"But at the same time we have to continue to evolve," he said.

Why bother with clothes at all when you're an established accessories brand?

"Our main business has been and always will be, of course, leather goods and accessories, but the ready-to-wear provides a context for the handbags. It helps to bring to life the Coach girl and the Coach woman, and who she is and what her life is like," Luis said.

What Coach thinks those customers need in garments includes a calico coat in the color of chalk paired with a butterscotch patchwork low boot. And they might also need a loose tank dress in

orange evoking a meadow, or a biker jacket adorned with pink mountain buds.

So when did Debbie Harry first encounter Coach? She was joined among the company's guests by Christina Ricci, Ciara, Mariel Hemingway, Zoe Kravitz, Chloe Grace Moretz and a range of other celebrities.

"I can't even remember, it was so long ago," Harry responded. "I think it's brilliant that it has evolved."

Does she buy a lot of Coach?

"I would say that I buy a lot of clothes," she laughed without committing.

Does Ciara recall her first encounter with Coach?

"Oh my gosh. It was more than 10 years back. It was a classic Coach in a boot. It was super cool with Coach all over. They were knee length. They had shearling kind of like fur and they were wedge," she said. "They were a gift from one of my god-mothers. She was a very stylish woman and they were everything. I couldn't afford them myself at the time."

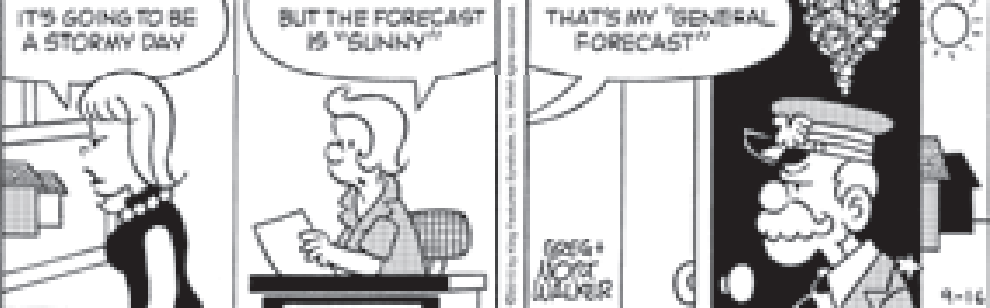
Ricci appreciates the modern, fresh turn for Coach.

"I remember one of the first expensive bags I bought was a Coach shoulder bag," she said. "I was a teenager. It was my first foray into designer bags, one of those first pieces of luxury."

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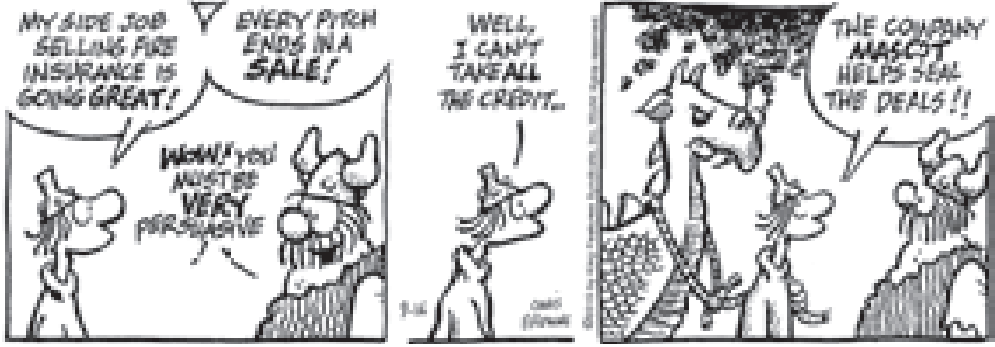
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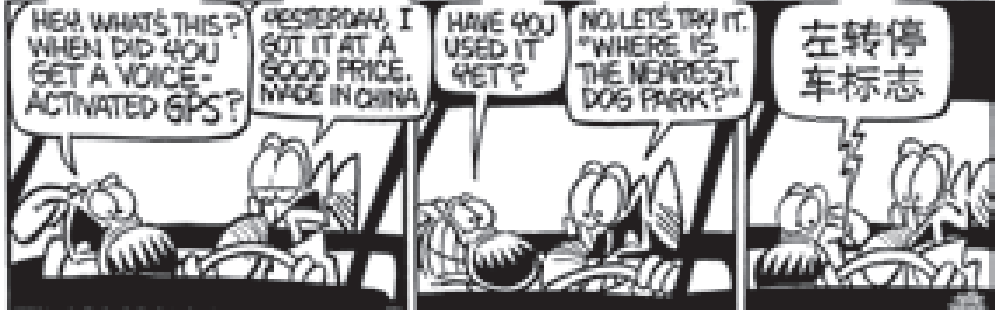
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A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on Monday, September 14, 2015, at 1:30 p.m. in the Airport Terminal Building, 341 Methodist Camp Road, Minden, LA 71055. Representatives from the Owner and Engineer will be present to discuss the project. Although the meeting is not mandatory, bidders are encouraged to attend and

participate in the conference.

**C o n t r a c t Documents** including bid proposal forms, plan sheets, and specifications for the project may be viewed and downloaded amount of 100 free of charge (with the option to purchase hard copies) at [www.civcastusa.com](http://www.civcastusa.com). Scanned plans and specifications (PDF format) are available on CD for a non-refundable price of \$25.00 from KSA Alliance, Inc., 1111 Hawn Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71107. Addenda will be posted at [www.civcastusa.com](http://www.civcastusa.com). You will be notified of addenda automatically, through email, if you downloaded your plans and specifications via [civcastusa.com](http://civcastusa.com). Please submit questions for the project 72 hours prior to bid opening through [www.civcastusa.com](http://www.civcastusa.com) in the Q&A portal.

Bids shall be received only on proposal forms furnished by the Engineer. In no event shall proposal forms be issued later than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the hour and date set for receiving proposals.

Bidders may elect to submit bids electronically via the internet. Electronic bids for the City of Minden are available for submission at [www.bidexpress.com](http://www.bidexpress.com). Bidders desiring to submit electronic bids must register with Bid Express. All bids submitted electronically shall include a digital signature as required by Louisiana State law. Bidders submitting bids electronically are not required to submit paper forms.

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An acceptable bid bond, cashier's check or certified check payable to the City of Minden, in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the bid price, shall be submitted with each bid. The

successful Bidder will be required to furnish and pay for satisfactory performance and payment bonds. Bidders are advised that Performance, Payment, and Maintenance Bond, each in the amount of 100 percent (100%) of the contract price, will be required.

On any bid submitted in the amount of \$50,000 or more, the Contractor shall certify that he is licensed under Louisiana Revised Statute 37:2150-2164 and show his license number on the bid and on the envelope. Bidders must be licensed in one of the following categories: Installation of Equipment, Machinery and Engines; Specialty Storage Facilities, Metal Covers, Tanks, Floating Roofs; Highway, Street and Bridge Construction. The licensee shall not be permitted to bid or perform any type or types of work not included in the classification under which his license was issued.

Bids may be held by the City of Minden for a period of one hundred and twenty (120) calendar days after the date and hour set for the opening.

The City of Minden reserves the right to reject any or all Bids for just cause and reserves the right to waive any and all informalities.

Michael Fluhr  
City Clerk/  
Treasurer  
City of Minden  
Telephone : (318) 377-2144

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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: M equals O

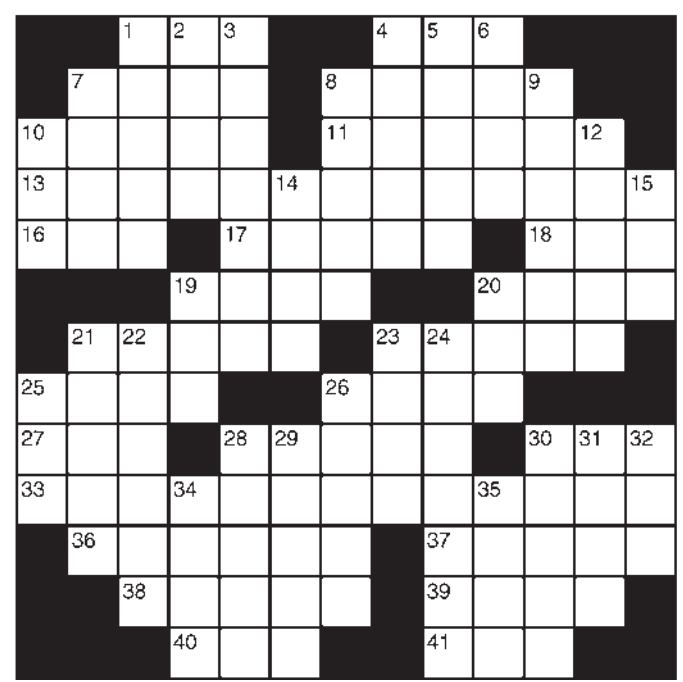
### CROSSWORD

ACROSS	27 Witty	DOWN	15 Passbook
1 Remu- neration	one	1 Type of hose	abbr.
4 — Aviv	28 Feel	2 Settled down	19 Cover
7 Java	one's	3 Gave	20 Store- front sign
neigh- bor	way	way	abbr.
8 Subject	30 Sprite	4 Poison	21 Use
10 Bert's roomie	33 Horn	5 Grand tales	22 Hallux
11 Left	blower	6 Stone	23 Slimming surgery,
13 "Good Golly Miss Molly" singer	of rhyme	(Suff.)	for short
16 Crucial	36 Thelma's pal	7 Spread- able cheese	24 Following orders
17 De- nounces	37 O.	8 Contract clauses	25 Piercing tool
18 Seek damages	Henry's specialty	9 Stopped	26 Judicially clad
19 Not so much	38 Over and done	10 Wapiti	28 Move gracefully
20 Rope material	with	12 Ringo Starr's gear	29 Put back to zero
21 Toler- ate	39 California wine	14 Facility	30 Run off to wed
23 Parlia- mentar- ians	40 Acquire		31 Moth variety
25 Eager, plus	41 "Holy cow!"		32 Palin prayer Tina
26 Cage compo- nents			34 Mao tse- —
			35 Highland hillside

Solution time: 23 mins.

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