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MINDEN CRIME

Man arrested, charged with battery

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A Heflin man is in trouble with the law after he reportedly assaulted his girlfriend.

Joshua D. Rosenbaum, 26, of the 500 block of Sawmill Road, was charged with domestic abuse battery, remaining after for-

bidden, disturbing the peace by intoxication, simple criminal damage to property and warrants for no seatbelt and driving under suspension. Rosenbaum also informed authorities he was on probation, according to the police report. Bond was set at \$67,260.

Webster Parish sheriff's deputies John Lewis Jr. and

Marshall Merritt responded to a call regarding a domestic dispute between Rosenbaum and his girlfriend at their home and Chasin' Aces Casino, her place of employment.



ROSENBAUM

He reportedly grabbed her by the neck and pushed her head against a wall at their residence and the argument continued after she got to work, police say.

When he drove her to work, he reportedly got into an argument with one of her co-workers, and Rosenbaum's girlfriend went inside to call authorities. He allegedly took the

phone away from her and threw it, causing damage to the telephone. Rosenbaum was asked to leave the casino and not return. Minutes later, she tells police, he returned and began arguing with her again.

"Mr. Rosenbaum was apparently pretty intoxicated,"

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JINDAL CALLS FOR

A DAY OF PRAYER

FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT



Minden police officers visit during the First Responder's Lunch last week put on by the Minden-South Webster Chamber of Commerce to show appreciation to area first responders. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald

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With the number of police officers dying on the rise, Gov. Bobby Jindal has declared Monday, Sept. 14 as a day of prayer for them.

He issued a statement Thursday asking Louisianians to unite in prayer for law enforcement.

"Too often, we forget the sacrifice and commitment these brave men and women make on a daily basis in order to protect our families and uphold the peace in our communities," he said. "Our officers understand the real risk and responsibility that comes with this career and we are extremely grateful for their dedicated service."

Webster Parish Sheriff Gary

Sexton says he appreciates the support he's seen from the community in recent weeks, with the first responders' luncheon and the upcoming appreciation dinner set to be hosted by First Baptist Church Sunday, Sept. 13.

"We appreciate the concerns of not only the governor, but the appreciation days recently," he said. "We appreciate everybody's concern. Law enforcement has taken a hit because of some incidences that have taken place across this country. Really, we were getting a bad rap. I'm not saying law enforcement is perfect, but these officers have to make split-second decisions."

Shreveport police officer Thomas LaValley was shot and killed Wednesday, Aug. 5 after responding to a domestic violence call.

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Sibley Police Chief Jeremy Robinson, tight, hands Minden Police Detective Keith King his door prize at the First Responder's Lunch. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald

DOWNTOWN



A herd of Mustangs were only a small portion of the 2014 Show & Shine car and bike show, sponsored by Vintage Car Club of Minden and Minden Main Street. The 2015 show will take place downtown Saturday. Courtesy Photo

Annual car and bike show nears

The 2015 Vintage Car and Bike Show is coming up Saturday in historic downtown Minden.

From 11 a.m. until 3 p.m., the event is co-sponsored by Minden Main Street and the Webster Parish Convention and Visitors Bureau. This year's event will line the brick streets of Minden with more than 50 Corvettes. Two local groups, Sport City Corvette Club and the Red River Corvette Club, will also participate in the show.

Judging begins at 10 a.m.; no entries after 11 a.m. Trophies will be presented at 2 p.m.

Registration for the show is free and open to all car and bike owners. If you have a show tractor, don't leave it at home; the club also has a tractor class. The classes include antique, sport and muscle, Corvette, Mustang, Mopar, Import and miscellaneous, domestic, street rod, truck original and customized, rat rod, Harley-Davidson, crotch rocket, shadow, motorcycle, trike and tractors.

Show participants will compete for 108 trophies in 36 different categories. Trophies will be presented to the show participant who travels the farthest distance, the oldest car lover, best of show and people's choice.

Onsite registration will take place from 7 until 11 a.m. Regis-

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ACROSS THE STATE

Jindal largely gone from state since campaign announced

BATON ROUGE — After announcing his bid for the White House, Gov. Bobby Jindal hit the road, and Louisiana's seen him very little since.

The Republican governor's spent nearly two-thirds of his days away from Louisiana since kicking off his presidential campaign on June 24.

Jindal's home away from home is the key early voting state of Iowa, where he's focused nearly all of his presidential ambitions. But the governor's also made several stops in New Hampshire and visited New York, Ohio, Georgia and South Carolina.

The term-limited Jindal was on the road 47 days out of the last 72 days,

according to an Associated Press analysis. The AP tally is based on Jindal campaign travel announcements and the governor's required notifications to Lt. Gov. Jay Dardenne about out-of-state trips.

Aides say Jindal's still paying attention to the job he was elected to do in Louisiana, even if he's gone for long stretches of time.

"No matter where he is, Gov. Jindal is the chief executive of Louisiana at all times," Jindal spokesman Mike Reed said in a statement. "An increased travel schedule hasn't had an impact on day-to-day operations, since technology allows staff to stay in touch with

the governor even when he is not sitting in his office in Baton Rouge."

Reed said Jindal's most recent Cabinet meeting was Aug. 28 as state officials assembled to review emergency preparedness efforts as a precautionary measure for Tropical Storm Erika, which didn't reach Louisiana.

Seventy percent of Jindal's away time has been spent in Iowa, where the governor — like several other GOP presidential candidates — has pledged to visit all 99 counties. He's held town hall meetings, met voters at restaurants, visited farms and spoken at the state fair.

Despite the strong attention he's given the

important presidential race state, Jindal remains in the bottom tier of Republican contenders so far.

Even before he announced his presidential campaign, Jindal's frequent travel and national political ambitions were considered among the reasons his approval ratings had dropped into the low 30s in Louisiana. State lawmakers tried to curb taxpayer spending on Jindal's state trooper protective detail for the campaign trips, but the governor vetoed the effort.

Pearson Cross, a political science professor at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, doesn't believe the out-of-state travel reg-

isters with Louisiana's residents anymore. The governor has only a few months remaining in office before his second term ends, Cross said, and people expect him to be checked out of state affairs.

"I think his reputation in this state is pretty much set, and part of the legacy will be that he was looking beyond Louisiana while he was being governor," Cross said. "Is he doing any further damage? I don't really think so. I think it's just more of the same."

Jindal dismisses the low approval ratings at home as a byproduct of his tough decision-making and disruption of entrenched bureaucracies to reform government. But the gov-

ernor's absenteeism and presidential ambitions are a point of attack used by several candidates vying to take his place as governor.

GOP U.S. Sen. David Vitter emphasizes in his gubernatorial campaign speeches that "this will be my last political job" if elected. Dardenne, the Republican lieutenant governor, tells audiences at governor's race forums that he's "concerned with Des Allemandes, Louisiana, not Des Moines, Iowa." And Democrat John Bel Edwards, a state representative in the governor's race, tells voters that "Louisiana deserves a governor who wakes up in the state of Louisiana."

SHOW

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tration forms may be downloaded at www.vintagemindencars.com or by contacting local club members.

The Vintage Car Club boasts one of the largest trophy presentations in the Ark-La-Tex. Club president Wayne Edwards reported more than 180 cars and bikes registered with hundreds in attendance at last year's show.

The club is planning a spectacular event for the community, filled with fun and entertainment for all ages.

In addition to the cars, bikes and tractors on display, there will be plenty of good food, refreshing drinks and entertainment for the entire family.

A portion of the proceeds collected will be donated to the American Cancer Society, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, UCAP and other com-



Show officials recently picked up the trophies for the winners of the car and bike show.
Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald

munity projects.

A special raffle will be conducted to support a nine year old with spinal muscular atrophy 3. Their child is wheelchair bound and is in need of a van-mounted chair lift. A 1968 restored GMC truck will be

the raffle prize. For additional raffle information, contact Mr. Bell at 318-422-9926.

For more information about the Show and Shine Car and Bike Show, or to receive registration information, contact Wayne

Edwards at 318-371-2826, Almory Walker at 318-377-4924, Larry Gipson at 318-377-0907, Ad Douglas at 318-470-6559 or Cynthia Hawkins at 318-371-2551, or visit the website at www.vintagemindencars.com.

PRAYER

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Louisiana State Trooper Steven Vincent was shot and killed Sunday, Aug. 23, during a traffic encounter.

Police in Fox Lake, Illinois, as of this writing, are still looking for three suspects in connection with the slaying of Lt. Joe Gliniewicz. The circumstances surrounding his death are still under investigation, national news media reports.

Abilene, Texas, police officer Don Allen was off-duty when he was killed in his home Monday, Aug. 31. That case is also still under investigation, national

news media reports.

"Because of what's happened, in this department, our officers are on our p's and q's," Sexton said. "We are way more attentive than what we were."

Even with having the added advantage of policing smaller communities where everyone knows everyone, there are still unknowns and things to watch for, he says.

Minden police chief Steve Cropper says it feels good to know the community supports law enforcement, that what they do every day is worth it.

"It's been a blessing," he said. "Especially this first responders' luncheon we just went to. It meant a lot to my officers; it meant a

lot to me. It makes them realize that some people in this city care about us."

Cropper says he appreciates Gov. Jindal for recognizing law enforcement statewide. With the killings across the nation, the chief says it impacts his officers here.

Because of that, his officers are coming to work wearing their ballistics vests every day. They are more attentive to their surroundings and more cautious as they conduct their business throughout the day, he said.

"I worry about these guys every day," Cropper said. "I used to tell them good bye before I walked out of here every day, now I tell them to watch their

backs and be safe. It puts a different type of stress on us, even something as simple as going into a convenience store to get a cold drink."

When asked if he thought the constant media coverage played a role in the rise of law enforcement deaths, he said, "Yes."

According to statistics from the governor's office, nine law enforcement officials in Louisiana have died in the line of duty this year.

Jindal also asked governors and other officials from other states to set aside Sept. 14 to pray for law enforcement.

Study: Feral hog damage estimated at \$74 million

A new study by the LSU AgCenter says feral hogs cost Louisiana farmers more than \$74 million in crop losses and other damage in 2013.

AgCenter economist Shaun Tanger, who's been gathering data from farmers about feral hog activity for more than a year, says the animals caused about \$53 million in damage to crops and an additional \$21 million in non-production losses.

Tanger says Louisiana's feral hog population is

estimated at half a million, with heavy concentrations in the south-central and northeastern regions of the state.

The hogs root up and eat crops, damage farm equipment and spread diseases to livestock and wildlife.

The most effective way to control feral hogs is trapping and killing them. AgCenter scientists are studying alternatives, such as a sodium nitrite-based bait.

ARREST

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cated, according to the deputy's report," Sheriff Gary Sexton said. "He was extremely belligerent, not only with the officers, but with her and another person at the scene."

Police say Rosenbaum appeared to have bloodshot eyes and a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from his person. His speech also appeared to be slurred,

police say.

When Rosenbaum was questioned about the incident, he told deputies he'd been at home all night. Rosenbaum was taken into custody and placed into the patrol unit.

While in the back of the patrol unit, Rosenbaum allegedly threatened a friend who was helping his girlfriend move her belongings from the home.

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ROUND UP

Labor Day: A storied tradition

As Americans, we know we have certain rights in the work world. We have the right to a safe environment and compensation when we are injured. We are entitled to fair and equal hiring and management practices. We are entitled to a minimum wage.

Obtaining these rights did not happen overnight. Some of the earliest gains can be traced to the early 1800's, when workers rallied against wage cuts and poor working conditions. Workers were fed up, tired of toiling 12 to 14 hours a day, six days a week, for low wages.

Gradually workers were able to better their wages and work environments, giving the American laborer greater social status in the workplace – and the law.

By 1894, President Grover Cleveland had signed a bill making Labor Day a national holiday to commemorate America's working people. Finally, The United States government was respecting and, in fact, codifying the idea that industrial prosperity must be balanced with workers' rights.

By the turn of the 20th century, working conditions had greatly improved across America. The federal government began the first worker's compensation program in 1908, eventually expanding the program to include a system for all workers who have been injured on the job. The first federal child labor laws were passed by the U.S. Congress in 1916, ushering in a minimum age of 16 for work in mines and quarries, a minimum age of 14 for other types of work, and an eight-hour work day.

Today, federal, state and local government work hand-in-hand with industry to protect opportunities and benefits for workers like never before. That may be hard to believe when you hear bleak news about the economy. But we cannot overlook the steady, unflagging progress that laborers have made in acquiring more rights for themselves.

On this Labor Day 2015, let us thank those who paved the way for today's workforce by thanking an American worker. I would like to personally thank each of you for your skills and service. They are the lifeblood of our economy.

Your contributions are indispensable. Keep up the good work.

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TOURISM REPORT

What's new in Webster?

See why the movie makers love minden. Minden is a big part of the Northwest Louisiana Film Trail, boasting over 26 movies filmed in and around Minden. A free brochure, providing listing the movies and detailed maps showing movie locations, offers a self-guided tour to the visitor. See locations for Premonition, starring Sandra Bullock; Blond Ambition with Jessica Simpson and Willie Nelson; Harold and Kumar, Escape From Guantanamo Bay, starring Kal Penn and John Cho; Welcome Home Roscoe Jenkins starring Martin Lawrence, Mo'Nique, Cedric the Entertainer and James Earl Jones; Longshots starring Ice Cube, Keke Palmer, and Tasha Smith; and Olympus Has Fallen starring Gerard Butler, Ashley Judd, and Dylan McDermott.

Just completed in July, new signage for the Northwest Louisiana Film Trail has been installed in downtown Minden. Each of the new signs will identify a numbered location of a movie corresponding to the map in the brochure. Each location sign will give a brief write up about the movie and will have a QR code. When scanned with a QR reader application, available for free online from the App Store, a film clip will be download on your mobile phone or iPad showing the movie trailer and a scene from the movie filmed at that location. This is definitely a first in the state and perhaps the US!

To request a free brochure, call 1.800.2MINDEN. To see the film clips go to www.visitwebster.net and under attractions, see Northwest Louisiana Film Trail.

GERMANTOWN COLONY

The newly constructed welcome center houses exhibits of historical artifacts, a gift shop

and handicapped accessible public restrooms. Admission is free.

Seven miles northeast of Minden, is the Germantown Colony State Museum, is the "historical gem" of Webster Parish and one of three Harmony Society colonies founded in the US in the early 19th century. Established in 1835, the colony operated on a communal basis for 36 years, finally dispersing in 1871. Step back in time and experience how these German settlers lived in the early 19th Century as you tour original buildings of these early settlers. The Colony was placed on the official list of the Nation's Cultural Resources Worthy of Preservation by the U.S. Department of the Interior, Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service in 1979. It is the most recent addition to the Louisiana Department of State Museums and a major asset to the recently developed "Heroes and Heritage Trail" throughout the state of Louisiana.

THE GERMANTOWN COLONY MUSEUM

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The Fitzgerald House is a National Register Historic home located one block off the downtown brick streets of Minden. This elegantly restored Victorian Classic has its original stained glass windows,

hand-carved woodwork, and some of the original antique furnishings throughout the house. This home was the location of the bordello in the hit movie "Harold and Kumar Escape from Guantanamo Bay" in 2008.

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Lynn Dorsey is executive director of the Webster Parish Convention and Visitors Bureau.

PERSPECTIVE

Why don't we try staying home?

Generals have marked their operations by putting pins on wall maps of the world. I could do the same for friends and neighbors who have just gotten back from some place and are about to leave for another. They often move in battalions meeting friends or family — who themselves have traveled great distances — in some center of cultural/culinary/scenic excellence.

A few appear to spend fewer nights in their gracious homes than in airport hotels, preparing for a pre-dawn flight out. There may be no place like home, but elsewhere always seems preferable.

Are we to believe that their travels are as fabulous as their Facebook posts suggest? Note the pictures showing them in some sublime Croatian village, never at overcrowded Gate 42B.

The dreaded FOMO — fear of missing out — may contribute to this perpetual need to venture far. Oxford Dictionaries defines FOMO as "anxiety that an exciting or interesting event may currently be happening elsewhere, often aroused by posts seen on a social media website."

The mania for making bucket lists further inflames this angst. The book "1,000 Places to See Before You Die" is the mother of them all.

When someone asks the author, Patricia Schultz, to cite her favorite trip, she responds, "My next one."

Given her mile-long list of destinations, one can well believe Schultz's contention, "It is rare that I return to a place where I have already been."

How about the quality of time spent traveling? You've seen those "36 Hours in Madrid" travel pieces listing four hot restaurants/bars, three markets and two museums in addition to the Prado. The reality is you and a million other tourists racing around the plazas to witness the "relaxed" Iberian culture enjoyed by old Spaniards who themselves never go anywhere.

As for Italy, Schultz raves about the Piazza del Duomo in Parma, adding that one might want to visit the city during the Festival del Prosciutto.

That would knock off two items in one day.

These checklists often seem "a commodification of cultural experience," Rebecca Mead wrote in The New Yorker.

And how deep is the experience? Some of the great sites go almost unseen by tourists using them mainly as picturesque backgrounds for their selfies.

I, too, have fallen into the FOMO trap at times, gulping rather than savoring travel. Why must the most valuable trips involve being far from home and spending a lot of money? I'm trying to fight back, though.

I've made peace with the fact that I will never skydive in New Zealand, heli-ski in Zermatt or bungee jump in the Vanuatu archipelago. I wouldn't mind seeing India's Golden Temple of Amritsar or Victoria Falls in Zambia/Zimbabwe. But if I die before that happens, then I guess I won't see them.

"Leisure" and "vacation" used to be more or less used interchangeably. Now they're very different. Non-working days are often devoted to the labor of earning more badges to place on the ledger of life.

Promoting frenetic travel has become a way to profit off Americans' sense of inadequacy. Note how few lists include simple, free things, such as observing a year's worth of full moons — or identifying the trees on your street.

About dying. The greatest regrets of dying people, according to a famous list, focus on personal ties — for example, neglecting old friends. One, importantly, is wishing they hadn't lived the life others expected of them.

As far as we know, none of the interviewees cited not having rafted the Mangoky River in Madagascar or missing out on the fire dance festival in Bhutan's Bumthang District. Not that they might not have been interesting.

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FROMA HARROP

Around Town

September 11 and 12, 2015

The Heritage Quilt Guild of Jonesboro will be presenting “Quilting in the Pines,” a two day quilt show from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Friday and from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday at the North Hodge Assembly of God Church, 5254 Quitman Hwy, North Hodge, Louisiana. Over 100 quilts, wall hangings, minatures and quilts from the past will be on display. The Country Store will feature handmade items and there will be vendors and door prizes. Quilters will be displaying the art of hand quilting during the entire show. Lunches will be on sale by the Women’s Ministries.

September 12, 2015

The 17th annual Haynesville Celebration of Butterflies kicks off at 8 a.m. with a 5K fun run at the Claiborne Parish Fairgrounds. This years speakers include Charles Allen, Mickey Lowe, Lee Faulk, Dennis Demcheck and Victoria Lefevers. Throughout the day there will be an antique tac-tor show, quilt show, tours of the Dogtrot House and the Butterfly Gardens, Vocal and Dance groups performing, and a horseshoe pitching tournament. Children will enjoy a scavenger hunt, bounce house and a chalk art competi-tion. For more information contact Loice Kendrick-Lacy at 318-624-1929 or 870-234-5910, email loicelacy@sudden-link.net or visit haynesvillela.org.

St. James Baptist Church will be honoring Pastor Maran-dalous Holland for 11 years of pastoral service. Starting at 11 a.m. guest speaker will be Pastor David Hoey of Rhema Word Ministry of Shreveport, followed by Dr. Jimmy Mahoney of Springfield Baptist Church of Shreveport at 3 p.m.

The Longspring COGIC, will celebrate Choir Day at 6:00 PM. All Churches and Church Choirs are invited. For more information contact Shyterikia Thompson at 318-458-5292.

September 13, 2015

Annual Youth Day to be held at Union Grove Baptist Church at 3 pm. Special guest choir will be House of Peace Ministries from Minden. All churches are invited.

NANCY’S KITCHEN

Rotel Potatoes

In the era I grew up in (1940s – 50s), “eating out” was a rarity. There was no such thing called “fast food.” On the occasions we went shopping in Houston we would have the rare treat of eating at Lubys cafeteria or for me the thrill of the “Princess Drive-In.” At that drive-in, food orders were taken and delivered to the car by “car hops” (no microphone order box). I still remember the smell and taste of those delicious Princess hamburgers and French fries. There were no “take-outs.” The meal was always eaten there in the car.

In the small town of Dickinson, Texas where there were only a few restaurants. In those restaurants, there would be a room with gambling which was illegal in those days; sometimes they were raided by the police.

In our home, my mother cooked three meals a day. My Dad was original-ly from the state of Nebraska where potatoes were the starch ingredient at mealtime. To keep Daddy happy, Mother always included potatoes for our lunch and dinner. Until I moved to the “Golden Triangle” of Texas about 30 minutes across the South West border of Louisiana (Cajun Country), I never had true gumbo or rice (a staple ingredient in that area). Mother NEVER cooked rice. It no longer surprises me that rice is includ-ed in most all Cajun cooking even with other starchy foods (a “no no” in my nursing school nutrition training).

My mother was big on proper etiquette. One thing I liked and still do, all our meals were served with properly set table and all of us together, sitting around the table. I did the same with my family and still do even when I am



NANCY MCWHORTER

eating alone.
I do prefer potatoes rather than rice. There are so many various ways to prepare potatoes. This week’s recipe was sent to me by my dear Bridge City friend, Audrey Lawson. Audrey claims to be just a plain country cook, nothing fancy she says. It’s true and anything I have eaten in her home tops the list of GOOD OLD COUNTRY/CAJUN COOKING. Be sure to add Audrey’s KEEPER recipe to your files.

Rotel Potatoes

(From Audrey Lawson's Recipe Files)

- 6 to 8 whole red potatoes, do not peel
- 1 chopped onion
- 1 chopped bell pepper
- ½ stick butter
- 1 (10 oz.) can Rotel tomatoes (I prefer mild)
- 1 lb. Velveeta, cubed
- 1 (4 oz.) can sliced mushrooms, optional

Boil whole red potatoes for 6 to 8 minutes; cool. Slice potatoes and place in a greased 9 X 13 inch pan. In a black skillet, sauté the bell pepper and onion in the but-ter until vegetables are tender; add the Rotel tomatoes, Velveeta cheese, and mushrooms. Cook on low, stirring often (this prevents the cheese from stringing and scorching the bottom of the pan) until cheese is melted; be sure ingredients are well mixed. Pour mixture over the potatoes; bake until bubbly at 350° for 20-25 min-utes.

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NCAAF

Northwestern upsets No. 21 Stanford

EVANSTON, Ill. — Northwestern wanted to prove a point against No. 21 Stanford, and drove it home with a strong running game and solid defense that produced a season-opening surprise.

Freshman Clayton Thorson ran for a 42-yard touchdown while playing turnover-free ball at quarterback, Justin Jackson added 134 yards rushing, and the Wildcats beat the Cardinal 16-6 on Saturday afternoon.

Anthony Walker broke up two passes and had a fumble recovery, and Kyle Queiro intercepted Kevin Hogan in the end zone with about a minute left to seal the win.

Thorson scored the game's only TD in the second quarter. He also threw for 105 yards, completing 12 of 24 passes.

Jackson carried 28 times. Jack Mitchell kicked three field goals, including a career-long 49-yarder that made it 16-6 with 3:38 left in the game, and the Wildcats started the season on a winning note.

It was just what they needed after back-to-back 5-7 finishes, a run that followed five straight bowl appearances.

Stanford, coming off an 8-5 season that snapped a string of four consecutive BCS bowls, clearly has some work to do.

Hogan had a rough afternoon, going 20 of 35 with 155 yards and an interception. He was sacked three times.

Christian McCaffery ran for 66, and the Cardinal managed just 240 yards on offense.

They showed some of the form that carried them to four straight seasons with at least 11 wins on the game's opening possession.

But Northwestern tightened its defense, forcing Stanford to settle for a 29-yard field goal by Conrad Ukropina to finish a 12-play drive.

MLB

A-Rod homers as Yankees beat Rays

NEW YORK (AP) — Sizzling rookie Luis Severino won his third straight start and Alex Rodriguez hit his 681st career home run, sending the New York Yankees over the Tampa Bay Rays 5-2 on Friday night for their sixth win in seven games.

Brian McCann and Greg Bird also homered for the Yankees, who hold the top AL wild-card spot and are trying to catch East-leading Toronto. New York won with just four hits — an infield tap-per and three long balls.

Evan Longoria hit his third homer in two games for the Rays, still on the edge of the wild-card race.

The 40-year-old Rodriguez gave the Yankees the lead with a two-run drive in the second inning and the 21-year-old Severino kept them ahead.

Severino (3-2) hit 97 mph with his fastball and threw shutout ball until Longoria's homer in the sixth. The righty has a 2.04 ERA after his first six big league starts.

Jake Odorozzi (6-8) gave up five runs, three hits and two walks in 6 2/3 innings.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Tide shutout Cowboys



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BLANCHARD - On a hot and humid night at Jerry Burton Memorial Stadium, the Minden Crimson Tide got off to a 1-0 start with a 17-0 win over the Southwood Cowboys.

The Crimson Tide defense was the story of the night, absolutely pummeling the Cowboys' offense on their way to a shutout.

This was Minden head coach Spencer Heard's first win over the Cowboys in three tries since taking over the Crimson Tide three seasons.

"It feels good to get the first win of the year," Heard said.



HEARD

"It's nice to sort of get that monkey off our back so to speak. The defense, I thought they played really well and gave us good field position all night. They had a few mistakes here and there, but the main thing is coming out with the win."

Halfway through the first quarter, Minden's Ty Harris recovered a fumble to set up the Tide inside the Southwood 20 yard line.

A few plays later Rodtravion Rogers cashed in from 3 yards out and Pedro Hernandez converted the extra point try to make it 7-0.

The Minden defense kept Southwood from doing anything the rest of the half, highlighted by a Kenneth Francis interception and a Pedro Hernandez 25-yard field goal that sent the two teams into halftime with the Tide leading 10-0.

In the third quarter with his team needing a spark, Dekeltric Freelon stepped in front of a Southwood receiver for his first interception of the season.

Taking over from the Cowboys' 25 yard marker, running back Kolby Jackson got loose for a 25-yard touchdown run. Hernandez added that PAT to make the score 17-0 where it would stay.



Minden High quarterback Antonio Rivette breaks a big gain in Friday's 17-0 season opening win over Southwood. Press-Herald Photo/Gregg Parks

"I still think Southwood has a very good team," Heard said. "I thought we held up well up front and played well in the secondary. We had two interceptions and forced a fumble. Coach Ensminger did a great job bringing the blitzes. Overall, glad to get the win."

Rivette finished 4-11 passing with a pair of interceptions, but made up for it with 116 yards on the ground to lead the team in rushing.

Rodtravion Rogers finished with 61 yards and one touchdown on eight carries, while Kolby Jackson ran for 58 yards and a score on 14 carries.

Jackson added two catches for 26 yards to lead the Tide in receiving, followed by Tavarious Edwards who caught two balls for 22 yards.

This Friday, the Tide will have to play much better to win, as they welcome Haughton to The Pit for a huge home opener.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

White powers Knights past Golden Tors



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HAYNESVILLE - It was getting late in Haynesville, and the momentum had just swung to the Golden Tornado following a blocked punt recovered in the end zone to cut North Webster's lead to six points at 19-13.

Conroe McMullan, the North Webster punter, gave his good buddy Devin White a message before leaving the field.

"Conroe told me to pick him up," White said. "He told me to go make a play for him. The return was supposed to go to the right but it took a hard

bounce. When I came down with it I saw a little room to my left and I only had one man to beat. It was a foot race I knew I was going to win."

Moments later White stood in the end zone, an 86-yard return that served as a knock-out punch to Haynesville's hopes as the Knights earned an

impressive 34-13 victory at Red Franklin Memorial Stadium.

For good measure, White capped the night with another

touchdown, a 46-yard scamper down the left sideline. His final tally was 168 yards on 24 carries with 4 touchdowns.

"That was the best game Devin has played," Knights head coach John Ware said.

"His will to win was on another level tonight."

White got plenty of help on the night from defensive teammates Keuntra Gipson, Rico Gonzalez and Blake Atchley.

The Knights defense was smothering all night, forcing Haynesville into punt after punt and seven fumbles.

Wide receiver Wesley Franklin had a huge game, pulling down three big time catches for the Knights. One was a 16-yard touchdown pass from Cameron Huff to tie the game right before halftime. The other, a leaping grab to move the chains and keep a drive alive in the fourth quarter.

"Our kids were tired of being on the other end of this game," Ware said. "When you get tired of something, eventually you find a way to do something about it. I'm proud of these kids, but we have a lot of things we can still improve on."

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Apaches fall hard on road to Saints



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GREENVILLE, Mississippi - The Glenbrook Apaches made their second, long road trip of the season and came home with their second disappointing defeat, 41-2 at the hands of Greenville Christian.

The Apaches continue to struggle offensively, only able to muster two points against the Saints.

It's not the way first year head coach Caleb Carmikle was hoping to begin his tenure in charge of the Apaches.

"To be honest, I was really

disappointed with our effort," Carmikle said. "For the second time this season we've gone on the road and neither time have we looked like the team I saw last week at home."

The Apaches started the game well enough, giving up a touchdown on Greenville's opening possession but rebounding by putting together a long drive that ended with an unfortunate fumble in the red zone.

The Glenbrook defense stood tall by forcing the Greenville into a safety to make it 6-2 late in the first quarter, but the wheels proceeded to fall off.

"I didn't think they had any answer for us offensively early on," Carmikle said. "Then we

fumble and from there the guys just weren't in it. A coach can only say so much before someone in the locker room, whether it be a senior, junior or sophomore, has to step and be a vocal leader."

The Saints would pour it on in the second quarter, exploding for 35 points to make the score 41-2 at the half.

"We talked about missed tackles turning into touchdowns and they did," Carmikle said. "Dakota McGarity played a great game for us though. I haven't watched the tape yet, but he was flying around making plays."

Glenbrook will be back home this Friday to begin district play against the Prairie View Academy Spartans.

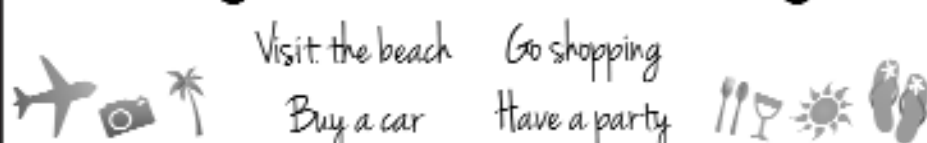


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Lakeside falls in opener



The Lakeside Warriors dropped their season opener to Ringgold 50-6. The Warriors will have to pick their heads up quickly and get ready to take on Plain Dealing next week. Lakeside head coach Joey Pesses could not be reached for comment before press time. Courtesy Photo/Christine Lee

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE Eagles release Tim Tebow

Tebow's time is up in Philadelphia.

The Eagles released Tim Tebow on Saturday along with 21 other players before the NFL's roster deadline at 4 p.m.

Tebow had seemingly won the No. 3 quarterback job when Philadelphia traded Matt Barkley to Arizona on Friday. But coach Chip Kelly cut Tebow following his best preseason performance at the New York Jets on Thursday night.

The 2007 Heisman Trophy winner was trying to return to the NFL after missing two seasons.

The Eagles currently have only two quarterbacks on the roster: Sam Bradford and Mark Sanchez. Bradford looked sharp in limited pre-season action, but he had surgery to repair a torn left ACL twice since he last played in a regular-season game in October 2013.

It's possible Tebow returns to the Eagles if either



Bradford or Sanchez get hurt. He also can come back after the season opener and his contract won't be guaranteed.

For now, the Eagles are going forward without him.

Tebow was 11 for 17 for 189 yards, two touchdowns and one interception against the Jets. He showed his accuracy has improved since his first stint in the NFL. Tebow finished the preseason 21 of

U.S. OPEN TENNIS Nadal stunned following blown two-set lead

NEW YORK — For the first time in his career, Rafael Nadal lost a Grand Slam match after taking a two-set lead.

And for the first time since 2004, he will end a season without winning at least one Grand Slam title.

"The only thing it means," Nadal said about that streak coming to a close, "is I played amazing the last 10 years."

Once so seemingly invincible, able to run down every last ball and tough to slow down once out in front, Nadal was beaten 3-6, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3, 6-4 by 32nd-seeded Fabio Fognini of Italy in the third round of the U.S. Open.

"To win like that — against him, from two sets down — is something incredible," Fognini said, calling it a "mental victory."

The eighth-seeded

Nadal's defeat, which finished at nearly 1:30 a.m. on Saturday, follows exits in the quarterfinals at the Australian Open and the French Open, then the second round at Wimbledon.

He said he must "accept that (it) was not my year."

Once ranked No. 1, he dropped as low as No. 10 in 2015, his lowest spot in a decade. The 29-year-old Spaniard also has spoken openly about a crisis of confidence.

"What I (am) doing worse is playing worse than what I used to do the last couple of years," he said. "That's it."

Nadal, who has won two of his 14 career major titles at Flushing Meadows, not only claimed the first two sets against Fognini, but also led by a break in the third at 3-1.

He couldn't sustain it, though, as Fognini began

taking more high-risk shots — and putting plenty right where he wanted them, winding up with more than twice as many winners as Nadal, 70 to 30.

"You have to attack him," Fognini said.

Asked how it was possible that an opponent could produce that many winners against him, Nadal smiled and joked: "Maybe I am slower."

Ripping big groundstrokes off both wings, many on a full sprint, for more than 3 1/2 hours, the two men engaged in entertaining exchanges that thrilled the Arthur Ashe Stadium crowd that included Tiger Woods.

"An incredible match, for sure," Fognini said. "We killed ourselves."

The 52-minute fifth set alone was filled with one apparent momentum swing after another. Starting at 1-

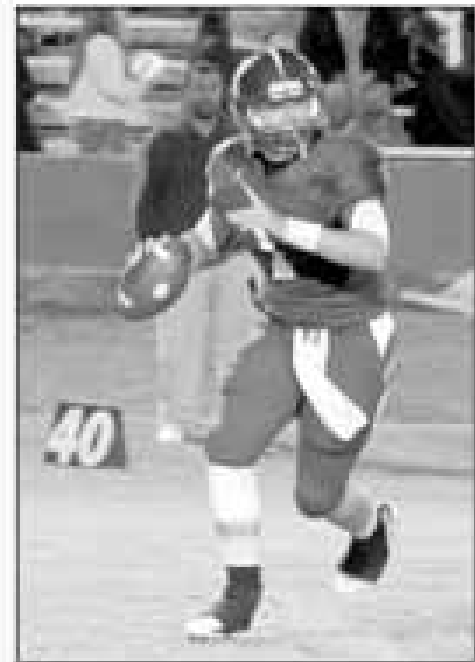
all, there were seven consecutive breaks of serve, a pattern that finally ended when Fognini broke to go ahead 5-4, then held to end it.

Fognini reached the fourth round at Flushing Meadows for the first time. The last Italian man to get that far at the U.S. Open was Davide Sanguinetti a decade ago.

Nadal, meanwhile, had won 22 of his last 23 U.S. Open matches, including earning championships in 2010 and 2013, and reaching the final in 2011. He missed the tournament because of health issues in 2012 and last year.

He tried to look on the bright side as he spoke to the media at about 2:30 a.m.

"Easy to understand, easy to explain, difficult to change," Nadal said. "But I'm going to do it."



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Fall Movie Preview: Fukunaga, Netflix set out for new worlds

NEW YORK — Cary Fukunaga's first feature film, "Sin Nombre" — which translates to "Nameless," was a Spanish-language drama about Honduran immigrants. His latest, "Beasts of No Nation," is a brutal story about a boy drafted into a West African rebel army. Don't be fooled by the exotic filmography. Fukunaga grew up in Oakland, California, in what he calls a traditional middle-class family, first planning to be a professional snowboarder.

"I've never really been drawn to telling stories that are immediate reflections of my life," says Fukunaga, who also helmed an acclaimed adaption of "Jane Eyre." "I've always looked out: outside of my culture, outside of my time, even, as places of inspiration. I always used to daydream as a kid about living in different time periods and different places."

"Beasts of No Nation," which stars Idris Elba as the militant commandant, is also taking the traditional movie release to a new realm. When it opens in select theaters Oct. 16, it will also debut on Netflix.

It's the first in Netflix's coming slate of original narrative films, which include Adam Sandler comedies, Brad Pitt's Gen. Stanley McChrystal satire and a "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" sequel.

But Netflix's first step is a savagely serious one in "Beasts of No Nation," a thrillingly cinematic but grimly horrific portrait of war seen through a child's eyes. It's playing on the fall film festival circuit and Netflix will give it an awards season push.

That makes "Beasts of



No Nation" arguably the most prominent film yet to puncture the traditional theatrical window.

It also marks Fukunaga's first project since directing the whole of season one of HBO's "True Detective," which won him an Emmy and widespread recognition for his atmospheric direction and moments of one-take bravado. (The less successful season two, he says, he hasn't even seen: "I'm very much aware of

the critiques of the show, but I never even got to see the scripts.")

But the ultra-bleak "True Detective," he chuckles, is "far lighter" than "Beasts of No Nation." The film was always going to be a more art-house proposition, so Netflix (which purchased the film for about \$12 million) almost surely means a much wider audience. The choice, Fukunaga says, wasn't easy, but the lure of Netflix's 65 million

subscribers worldwide won him over.

"I want people to see this film," he says, adding that he hopes many still see it in theaters. "To do a traditional theatrical release, a platform release, we might get a few thousand people to see this film. Tens of thousands if we were really lucky."

Fukunaga, 39, has wanted to make a movie about child soldiers for years. His application to film school to New York

University included his plans for it, and he traveled to Sierra Leone in 2003. But it was the 2005 debut novel by Uzodinma Iweala, on which the movie is based, that made everything click for the writer-director.

He filmed "Beasts of No Nation" in Ghana. His 14-year-old star, Abraham Attah, was a street vendor without prior acting experience. For the intrepid Fukunaga, "Beasts of No Nation" is about using cin-

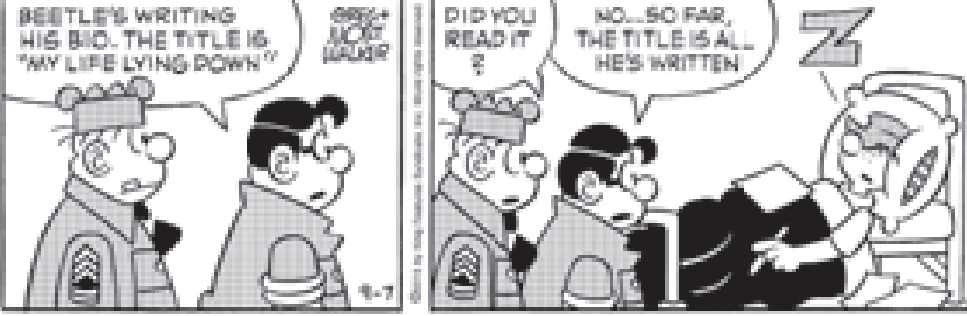
ema to connect far-apart worlds.

"It's when you start seeing people for people and not just as a news headline, it changes your interest," says Fukunaga. "The reason for storytelling is to create empathy, to create connections with people around the fire, with people from far-away places that you wouldn't normally think you have anything in common with and yet you actually, absolutely do."

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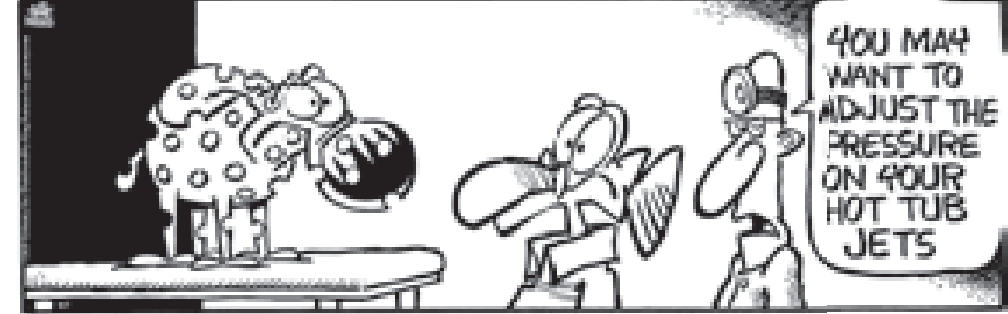
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