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TUESDAY



EDUCATION

Teachers, board to discuss pay raises

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Teachers and Webster Parish School Board members will soon come together to discuss creating and implementing a salary structure that will work for all parties involved.

Teachers from across the parish showed up in force at Monday's meeting to ask the board to open dialogue on the issue, saying that since

"We have been working together to find reasonable solutions, and I want to assure you that we aren't looking for a fight."

JIM CROAD
WEBSTER PARISH EDUCATOR

the pay freeze three years ago, they are losing money, even as insurance, retirement and expenses increase. Jim Croad, a teacher representing the Webster Parish School Board Employees for Fair Pay and a member of the Louisiana Association of Educators, says between he and his wife, also a teacher, they have lost an estimated \$34,000 in expected income due to the freeze and the

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FAIR SCHEDULE

TUESDAY

»Fair parade begins at 5 p.m.

»Fair gates open at 5 p.m. (Gate fees are \$1 with \$1 rides, Tuesday only)

»Livestock weigh-in at 6 p.m. at the barn next to the Armory building at the fairgrounds. 4-H students will bring their livestock (goats, swine, lamb, beef, dairy and poultry).

»Poultry and rabbit show begins at 6 p.m. 4-H students will be able to show their chickens and rabbits.

»Char-Ray Karaoke will provide live entertainment at 6 p.m. Fair goers will have a chance to karaoke as well.

CITY GOVERNMENT

City to continue to contract concessions

Council approves 1-year contract with Party Express Catering

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The Minden City Council approved a contract with Party Express Catering to handle concessions at the Minden Recreation Complex.

In a letter to the city of Minden, Jimmy Hall, owner, expressed his interest in accepting a request for proposal by the city for concessions during sporting events at the recreation center.

"Party Express Catering has been providing quality food and beverage service in the form of catered events for well over a decade," Hall said in his letter, "and is well capable of operating the food and beverage service. In addition, Party Express Catering has successfully operated the service the year prior to this proposal. We intend on providing a quality, affordable variety of hot, fresh food, snack foods, snow cones, funnel cakes and beverages."

During the last year, the

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Minden Mayor Tommy Davis presents Vintage Car Club of Minden member Almorey Walker, Jr. with a proclamation recognizing the club's recent successful car show in downtown at Monday's city council meeting. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald

Council says yes to airport improvements

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The Minden City Council Monday approved the annexation of about 2.78 acres of land around the Minden Municipal Airport on Methodist Camp Road.

R.S. 33:180 gives the council the authority to

annex property under ordinance "without the necessity of compliance with any of the procedures of advertisement, petition by residents, public hearing or other procedures set forth in this Subpart."

The statute also directs the municipality, by certified mail, to certify the state agency or political subdivision which owns the road proposed to be annexed at least 30 days prior to the

introduction of the ordinance proposing such annexation.

Mayor Tommy Davis says the city joins on two sides and it just makes sense.

"For long-term use, I think it will help us with our airport," he said in a September interview. "It's got road frontage and it gives us better access to the airport,

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MINDEN CRIME

Woman jailed for forgery, theft

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A Haynesville woman found herself incarcerated in Webster Parish after Minden police picked her up on warrants for forgery and theft.

Samantha Jade Childress, 25, of the 1500 block of Geneva Street, was arrested Thursday, Oct. 1, on two counts of forgery and one count of theft.

Minden police chief Steve Cropper says initially Officer Kenneth James was dispatched to Minden Athletic in reference to a forged check.

"One was in the amount of \$175 and the other was in the amount of \$339 for a grand total of \$514," he said. "We had affidavits from the banks indicating the checks were forged, and that report was turned over to Det. Chris Cheatham. After reviewing the report, Det. Cheatham contacted the manager at Minden Athletic."

The manager told police Childress used two different checks on Sept. 26 and Sept. 30, Cropper says, and a local bank indicated both checks were forged.

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CLUE #2

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EDUCATION

Town meeting to be set on Harper ballot issue

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The Webster Parish School Board agreed to set a town hall meeting either at Webster Junior High School or J.A. Phillips Middle School so the public can get a better understanding of what they will vote for in November.

nance committee member John Madden asked the meeting to be set at one of the schools as they are the ones to be affected by the ballot item. The board voted to let a letter submitted by Madden on behalf of the buildings and maintenance committee to be its official stance on the issue.

In the letter, Madden explains the decision made to

move kindergarten through first grade at J.E. Harper Elementary School to Phillips and move sixth graders at Phillips to Webster Junior High. Additional wings and appropriate renovation at each school will take place to accommodate the move.

"We would like to sponsor a town hall-style meeting to answer any questions and allay any fears that anyone

may have," Madden wrote. "We will have some examples of how much a typical taxpayer is currently paying and how much and longer this tax will have to continue to pay for these new additions to our communities. We pledge ourselves to be excellent stewards of your hard-earned dollars and build

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RAISES

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evaluation system put in place by Act 1.

"We have been working together to find reasonable solutions, and I want to assure you that we aren't looking for a fight," he said, addressing the board. "We aren't looking to get rich or bankrupt the system. Our hope is that you the school board and we the educators who have taken the brunt of these difficult financial times can collaborate to find answers to our problem so that the trickle of high-performing employees who are being drawn to positions in other parishes and states does not become a flood."

Louisiana Federation of Teachers representative Jackie Lansdale, president of Red River United, says a reasonable salary structure can be done within the board budget and within the law, but she feels the board "isn't getting it yet."

"I think they are thinking in the form of a pay raise, but it's more long-term than that," Lansdale said. "They want a salary structure that they can live with and grow with. Teachers are looking to be treated like professionals and salary schedules are a part of that."

Three to four years ago, teachers' salaries were based on a step schedule, she explained and with the implementation of Act 1, teachers' pay is now based on the need, the certification and years of experience and their performance.

When the 2.75 percent "cost of living" increase was frozen three years ago, pay raises in Webster Parish

PERSONNEL REPORT, OCTOBER 2015

Verna Norton, a paraprofessional, will go to North Webster Lower Elementary School, funding change from LA 4/8G to 8G, effective Aug. 10.

Kim Smart, a paraprofessional, will go to Central Elementary School, funding change from LA 4/8G to 8G, effective Aug. 10.

JoAnn Edwards, a paraprofessional, will go to Doyline High School, funding change from LA 4/EEF to EEF, effective Aug. 10.

Lisa Thrash, a paraprofessional, will go to Central Elementary School, funding change from LA 4/EEF to EEF, effective Aug. 10.

Penny White, a paraprofessional at Webster Parish Jr. High School, resigned effective Aug. 11.

Mary Becker, a paraprofessional, transferred to Webster Jr. High School from North Webster Jr. High School following the resignation of Penny White, effective Aug. 24.

Starla Allen, a paraprofessional, transferred to North Webster Elementary School from Browning Elementary, effective Sept. 4.

Sammi Dunn, teacher, transferred to Doyline High School from Webster Jr. High School, to replace Daniel Lee who was transferred to Webster Jr. High School, effective Sept. 8.

Daniel Lee, teacher, transferred to Webster Jr. High School from Doyline High School, replacing Sammi Dunn, who transferred to Doyline High School, effective Sept. 8.

Guinnee Dinkins, teacher, transferred from Browning Elementary to J.A. Phillips as an inclusion teacher, effective Sept. 8.

Cleodis Bell, a paraprofessional at Webster Jr. High, resigned, effective Sept. 11.

Denny Finley, teacher at Lakeside Jr./Sr. High School replaced Johnny Rowland as principal, effective Sept. 11.

Ricky Huff, a teacher at North Webster Jr. High School, replaced Mazerowski Burse who became assistant principal at Doyline High School, effective Sept. 22.

Brian White, teacher TAT 1 year at North Webster Jr. High School, replacing Clara Devereaux who retired, effective Sept. 28.

Michelle Sanders, a paraprofessional at North Webster Jr. High School, replacing Mary Becker who transferred to Webster Jr. High School, effective Sept. 28.

Michelle Finley, dean of students/SBLC coordinator for Phillips Middle School, Jones Elementary and the Webster Parish School Board, replacing Judy Talley who transferred to the position of educational diagnostician, effective Sept. 28.

John Austin, bus driver, Lakeside Jr./Sr. High School, replacing Thomasa Tobin who resigned, effective Oct. 1.

stopped too. In Webster Parish, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Dan Rawls says the board voted to set an amount for the highly effective teachers but nothing for those who met proficient and emergent about three or four years ago.

"That segment is incomplete," he said. "You don't have it for the efficient or the emergent. We follow that rubric to the letter. If we didn't follow that, the auditors would cite us in a heartbeat. The amount of money you

plug into that rubric is what (Lansdale) was questioning." Those teachers who rate ineffective don't get an increase. Rawls says at the end of the school year, after evaluations have been graded, a separate check is cut to each teacher who rated highly effective.

In the 2015-16 budget, Rawls says everyone will get something. Rawls says they are already working with the teachers through this effort and he fully intends to sit

down with the teachers to discuss a viable option that's workable for all involved.

"The more 'in the know' they are and the more they understand the process, the easier it is for all of us to be on the same page," he said.

"Circumstances have placed us in a situation that none of us ever wanted to be, but I assure you that you are standing before a board that wants to support its people, monetarily and in every other way," Charles Strong, board president, said.

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and it backs up to where we join already. It just gives us more acreage out there, and if we ever hope to expand our airport over what our current plans are, this would be good for us to have."

The property was purchased for \$36,000, which was approved by the council in September.

The airport is also undergoing other improvements, which is expected to be complete this year, Davis said.

"The overall project we're doing at the airport comes under the umbrella of obstruction removal," he said in July. "We're trying to build a parallel taxiway to the landing strip. To do that, we have to remove all of those older buildings existing now – where the terminal is now, where the fuel farm (fuel station) is now. In order to do that we have to build a new terminal, move the fuel farm, and we've already built the 30 new T-hangers."

The city will more than likely receive a \$1 million grant through the Louisiana Department of Transportation to fund the remainder of the project. Along with the construction of the new fuel farm and terminal, the grant will also pay for the removal of the existing buildings.

The city applied for the grant last fiscal year. The total cost of the project,

including the construction of the T-hangers, is around \$2 million.

In other news, the council approved:

■ the appointment of Denton Culpepper to the Minden Main Street board of directors for a two-year term.

■ appointment of Janet LaBruyere to the Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Board.

■ actions concerning condemned properties.

■ the adoption of Ordinance No. 1058 Annual Bridge Maintenance Report.

■ the adoption of a resolution regarding Annual Certification of Compliance with LA Off-System Bridge 9/30/15.

■ the adoption of a resolution for the local match for the Louisiana Community Development Block Grant, which means the city agrees to pay for engineering and administrative service fees associated with the implementation of the LCDBG program. The grant will go for public facility improvements.

■ the adoption of a resolution for airport improvements.

■ the bid for airport obstruction removal – the fuel facility and the bid for obstruction removal – the terminal building.

■ the final plat for re-subdivision of property owned by Benjamin F. Wood, located at Ferguson Street.

■ the monthly police report.

ARREST

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"Based on that information, Det. Cheatham obtained an arrest warrant for two counts of forgery," he said. "Apparently, the two checks were stolen as well; they were stolen from a victim in Homer. The victim in Homer had reported the

theft to the Claiborne Parish Sheriff's Office."

He says once the warrants were issued, she was picked up by Claiborne authorities, and on Oct. 1, Officer Dedrick Anderson went to Claiborne Parish, picked her up and transported her to Minden on the two warrants. She was transported to Bayou Dorcheat Correctional Center.

BIRTHDAYS FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2015

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- A'Briya Elkins
- Travourse Frazier
- Jackie Emerson
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- Tommy McClary
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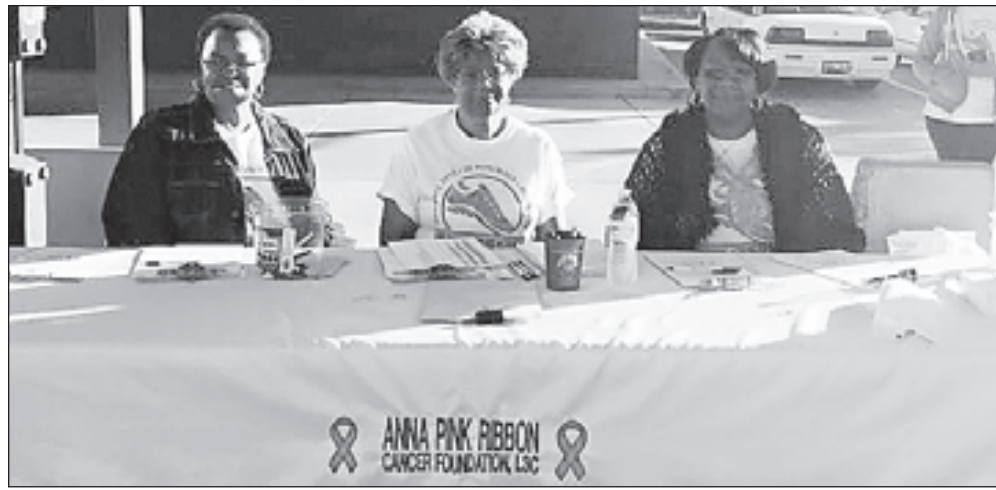
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OBITUARIES

Margaret Keeling

Services for Margaret Keeling, 85, of Flint was at 3 p.m. Sunday at Bailey & Foster Chapel. Burial followed in Roselawn Park. Arrangements were under the direction of Bailey & Foster.

Mrs. Keeling died Friday at Cartmell Home for Aged. She was born Jan. 29, 1930 in San Antonio to Elbert Eugene and Mary Lucile Lamont Dotson. Mrs. Keeling was a homemaker. She loved cooking and homemaking. Mrs. Keeling was a Baptist. She graduated from Woodhouse High School in 1948. She married her husband John T. Keeling Dec. 17, 1948. She and her husband loved camping and "literally wore out five camping trailers."

Mrs. Keeling was preceded in death by her parents and a brother Billy E. Dotson. She is survived by her husband of 67 years John T. Keeling of Flint, a son Johnnie Keeling and



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wife Sherry of Elkhart, a brother John D. Dotson of Sunrise Beach, Texas, and two grandchildren, Christine Keeling and John Bryant Keeling and wife Bonita, two great-grandchildren Ela Keeling, and Maddie Keeling, all of whom were the light of her life.

Pallbearers will be Rob Dotson, Jerry Dotson, Rusty Dotson, Rowdy Dotson, Steve Gilbreath and Kenneth Bolding.

Visitation was one hour before the service at 2 p.m.

To view online leave condolences or sign the guest book go to www.baileyandfosterfuneralhome.com.

Don O'dell Holt

Don O'dell Holt, 81, of Northport, Alabama, died Oct. 2, 2015, at DCH Regional Medical Center in Tuscaloosa. Visitation was from 5 until 6:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 5, followed by his funeral service immediately after. Both will be at the Magnolia Chapel Funeral Home North. Jerry Skinner will be officiating.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, Carl and Clara Holt and infant brother, Edward Charles Holt. He will be buried beside them at the family's ancestral family church, Walnut Hill Baptist Church Cemetery outside Vivian. That will take place Wednesday, Oct. 7, at 10 a.m. followed by a reception/visitation in the church fellowship hall immediately after the burial. Gorsulowsky Funeral Home is in charge of the transport and burial arrangements.

Survivors include his wife, Lynda Ann; daughters, Donna Wise, Lisa Campbell (Greg) and Karen Potter (Dale); sons, Gary and Mark (Kristy); step-daughter, Stephanie Aultman; and step-son, Marc Sherrill (Annette); sister, Linda Moorehead (James) of Minden, LA; and grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Music was a passion of Don's beginning when he was a small boy of about four years old when his grandfather McDonald, a lay

preacher and singing teacher, asked him if he would take over when he was called away to be with Jesus. Don was singing from then on. From venues such as The Louisiana Hayride to local venues to national recordings, Don has made many friends through his music and so many have remained a vital part of his life.

Don has also been Music Director and/or pianist for churches in the cities where he's lived, ending a few months ago in the Northport, AL, area. Don lived most of his life in the cities of Vivian, Minden and Bogalusa, LA, as well as in Northport/Tuscaloosa, AL. He graduated with the Vivian High School Class of 1952. Don was quite active in high school where he was a cheerleader and still holds at least one baseball left-handed pitching record for the school. He also always had major parts in the schools operettas and other music programs. He's always been much loved by those that knew him; I don't think he ever met a stranger.

Pallbearers will be Don's seven grandsons. Honorary pallbearers are all of Don's music family and Dr. and Mrs. Debell.



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OPINION

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PERSPECTIVE

Where's snowball

Over our many years of traveling, we have noticed a lot of unusual names of towns along the way. One that has especially intrigued us can be found in north Arkansas en route to Branson.

Every time we'd go by it we had a chuckle and one day we decided that we'd take the time and check it out. That's how we found ourselves in the small community of Snowball, Arkansas.

What we found there was very similar to so many small towns across America. Almost non-existent. There was a two-story rock building that served as the Masonic Lodge. It is still in fairly good shape and may even still be in use. Across the road, there's a small rock structure that is almost completely smothered by weeds, vines and overgrown greenery.

Outside the little building are two rusted gas pumps that must have been there since the 1940's. It had apparently served as a store and station for the once thriving community.

A larger white building, also abandoned, sat across on the other corner, sporting a large porch which was so common on stores in the 40' and 50's.. It was definitely of a later construction than the rock structures, however, it, too, had long ago given up its usefulness.

We walked around, took pictures and were enthralled with the buildings made of native Ozark rock..

We decided to drive further up the road to see if we could locate another "center" of commerce since this one had been abandoned.

Off to the sides of the road were beautiful hay fields with rolled hay bales dotting the landscape. A few houses could be found along the way, but were scattered. A typical farming neighborhood.

Finally we came to another crossroad and there stood a small white church with a sign designating it as Snowball Baptist Church. It was of a newer construction and seemed to be the main meeting place of the area.

Later, doing some research on the area, I learned that Snowball was once a thriving commercial community but had been destroyed by fire in 1879. It was rebuilt and, later in 1938, a new high school was built. Jimmy Driftwood, who won a Grammy for his song, "The Battle of New Orleans", had served as teacher, coach and superintendent of the school. Like so many other small towns, it lost its school by consolidation.

Eventually, the town withered and now has only relics of its past glory days.

As I think of this small town and its unusual name, I am reminded of so many others that, too, seem unusual.

I suppose I could begin with Shongaloo. It seems strange to outsiders, but to those of the area, it seems common enough. I understand it was derived from "Shakaloo", an Indian name for running water or cypress tree. It could easily be either one, as a small creek, Indian Creek, runs below it and there are cypress trees in the vicinity. The area was settled on the site of a former Indian village.

A few others that have been noted are Nothing, Arizona; Boring, TN; Accident, Maryland; Bird in Hand, PA; Cut Off, LA; Embarrass, Minnesota and Knob Lick, MO.

After looking at these, Snowball and Shongaloo don't seem quite as strange.

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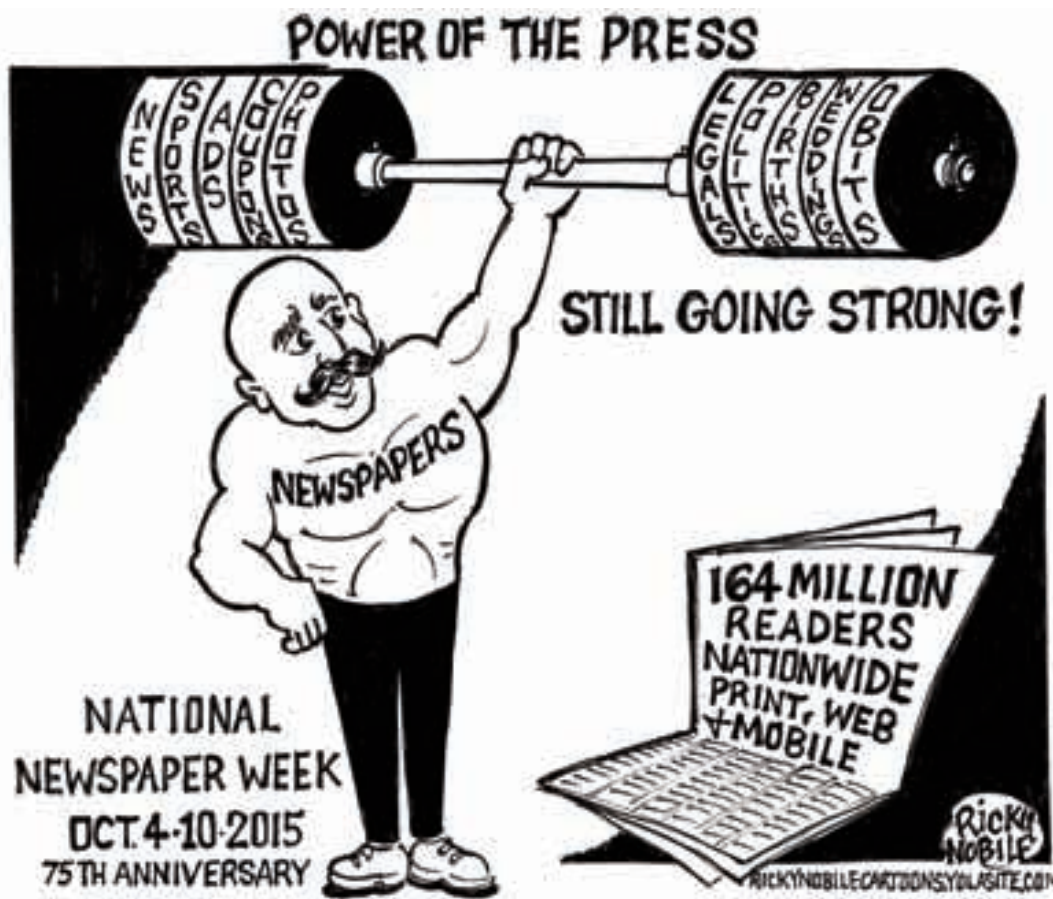
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AP NEWS ANALYSIS

Why community newspapers matter

The chosen theme for this year's National Newspaper Week is "Power of the Press," and that power, it seems to me, is a very relative thing.

Everybody understands the power of, say, The New York Times or The Washington Post, but probably less recognized and appreciated is the power of the Deer Creek Pilot and the thousands of other small, community newspapers just like it all across the land.

In survey after survey, it is these little community-minded newspapers that are continuing to thrive.

And there are some very tangible, observable reasons for that, not the least of which might be the notion I share that the smaller the community, the more important its newspaper.

For more than 20 years now, I have put out a little country weekly that's been published continuously for 138 years in what most folks might consider Backwater, U.S.A., the two poorest counties in the poorest state in the union with a combined population of less than 6,500 men, women and children.

And it is neither flippant nor hyperbolic when I say that little country weekly newspaper is the only news organization on the planet Earth that gives the first tinker's damn about Sharkey and Issaquena counties, Mississippi. That, folks, is what makes the Deer Creek Pilot mighty,

mighty important to those people who call that place home.

While mine might serve as prime example, it is in that respect no different from all those other community newspapers in all those other towns in this country.

Community newspapers have the power to bring about great good and make a profound difference within their locales. And among the good ones, the ones who endure and even prosper, there is always to be found one common denominator—trust.

In a small town, every newspaper is not like the local hardware store. It simply isn't.

In a small town, every newspaper subscriber thinks he or she is a stockholder, because there exists a real relationship, an implied contract, if you will, between that paper and its readers.

They buy your newspaper, advertise in your newspaper, sometimes even when they don't have to, based on a simple precept: They trust you to do your very best to find the truth and to tell it to them.

News travels fast in a small town; bad news travels even faster, but all too often that "news" is no such thing. All too often, that "news" is little more than rumor, sometimes made up out of whole cloth and at best some grain of truth exaggerated in its retellings vastly, and often alarmingly out of proportion.

In a small town, readers expect their newspaper to separate the wheat from the chaff and then to "tell it like it is."

And why not? The community newspaper is not some monolithic entity; its editor is not some ivory towered "big shot." He

or she is also a neighbor. He or she is one who goes to church with you, or stops to chat in the grocery store or is always there to volunteer at community functions or stops to shake hands or just waves in passing.

More importantly, he or she is the one everybody else trusts to promote those things that are beneficial, and to try to stop that which is not. There's a fishbowl effect in small towns, and its newspaper is hence, often its lightning rod. It may be praised one week and dog-cussed the next, but it is not only impossible, but really not important that it be liked. It's important that it be respected and it is even more important that it be trusted.

I have been in this crazy business for some 38 years now, at both the daily and weekly levels, and been blessed to receive a few accolades along the way, but the greatest single compliment I have ever received came from a salt-of-the-earth little lady who stopped by the office to pick up a hot off the press edition featuring the issue du jour in my little town.

"I've heard all the talk, but I don't believe it until I read in the paper," she told me.

And that, in a nutshell, is the secret to the continued success of community newspapers.

That, in a nutshell, is the true Power of the Press.

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PERSPECTIVE

The cult of victims

The world has enough real problems without declaring everyone a "victim."

Bill Clinton says Hillary is a victim of a right-wing conspiracy.

Lindsay Lohan, when jailed for driving drunk and breaking parole, says she's a victim of cruel and unusual punishment.

Michael Sam says his NFL career would have gone better had he not come out as gay.

A Philadelphia dentist caught groping his patients' breasts said he is a victim of frotteurism, a disease that compels you to fondle breasts. Really. People benefit by playing the victim.

Activists look for people they can declare victims, to bring attention to their causes.

The New York Times once called the Super Bowl the "Abuse Bowl," claiming that during the game many more women are abused than usual because their men get crazed watching violence. CBS called Super Bowl Sunday a "day of dread." The Boston Globe claimed a study showed calls to anti-violence emergency lines go up 40 percent during the game.

Then Ken Ringle of the Washington Post tried to trace those claims.

The Globe reporter admitted she never saw the study in question but got the numbers from the left-wing group Fairness and Accuracy in Reporting. FAIR said they got them from a psychiatrist on "Good Morning America." That psychiatrist referred callers to another psychiatrist, who said, "I haven't been any more successful than you in tracking down any of this."

The "Super Bowl victim" claim was bunk.

Sometimes I feel like a victim. I stutter. Had today's disability laws existed when I began work, would I have fought to overcome my stuttering? Maybe not. I might have sued my employer, demanding they "accommodate my disability" by giving me a non-speaking job. Maybe I would have just stopped working and collected a disability check.

I also felt like a victim the day I taped a TV report on how pro wrestling is fake, and a wrestler beat me up, hitting me on both ears.

Weeks afterward, loud noises hurt my ears.

Someone then said that that the wrestler's boss, Vince McMahon, told him to hit me, so I sued McMahon.

As part of the lawsuit, McMahon's lawyers demanded I see a certain doctor, who told me, "Your ear pain is a jurosome illness."

"What's that?" I said.

He answered, "Jurosome ... like psychosomatic. You hold onto your ear pain because you're involved in a lawsuit."

I was furious. I screamed at him, "You haven't even examined me, and you make this accusation?"

But guess what? After the World Wrestling Federation settled the lawsuit and paid me, my ear pain slowly went away. Was I holding onto pain because litigation kept reminding me that I was a victim?

Maybe.

It makes me wonder about those well-intended government programs meant to help the disabled. Social Security disability money used to go to blind people, people in wheelchairs, people clearly disabled.

But now billions go to people who say they're disabled by things like headaches and back pain. Disability payments have increased so much that the program will soon go broke.

But the increase in payments makes no sense.

Medicine improved since 1990. People do less hard manual labor. There should be fewer disabled people. Why are there more?

Perhaps it's jurosome pain? Or government-handout-omatic pain?

Some people are just inclined to complain, and the modern welfare state encourages that. Lawyers made it worse by encouraging people to sue, rather than strive. That changed America.

When you reward something, you get more of it.

We change people's character by teaching them that "victimhood" is a way to get attention and moral status.

Our ancestors never would have accomplished much if they'd labeled themselves victims. They crossed oceans and the prairie knowing that many people on the journey would die.

Some of them really did end up being victims. But they were proud of striving, not proud of being victimized. They accomplished far more because of it.

John Stossel is host of "Stossel" on Fox News and author of "No, They Can't! Why Government Fails — But Individuals Succeed."



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Around Town

Oct. 6

The Webster Parish Police Jury will meet at 9 a.m. in the jury's committee meeting room on the third floor of the Webster Parish Courthouse. The monthly meeting will begin at 10:30 a.m., in the jury meeting room on the second floor.

Oct. 10

Webster Parish Relay For Life for the American Cancer Society will be from 3 until 10 p.m. at the Minden Recreation Center. There will be a car show, kids games and bouncing house, entertainment and a special ceremony supporting cancer survivors and honoring those who have been taken.

Pink Pearl Tea at Orleans on Main at noon. Call 318-639-5035 for more information.

Junior Service League of Minden's Annual One Mile Fun Run and 5K starts at 7:30 pm and costs \$5. The 5K will begin at 8 p.m. and costs \$35. Race location is Eastside Missionary Baptist Church. For more information call Kelli Waller at 272-5194 or Ashley Gruner 840-6389.

Oct. 11

West Lake Baptist Church homecoming will be at 10:30 a.m. with guest pastor Bro. Eddie Sowders and musical guest Aaron Watson and Friends.

Bright Star Missionary Baptist Church's 120th Anniversary will be celebrated at 2:30 p.m. with guest speaker Pastor Brady L. Blade.

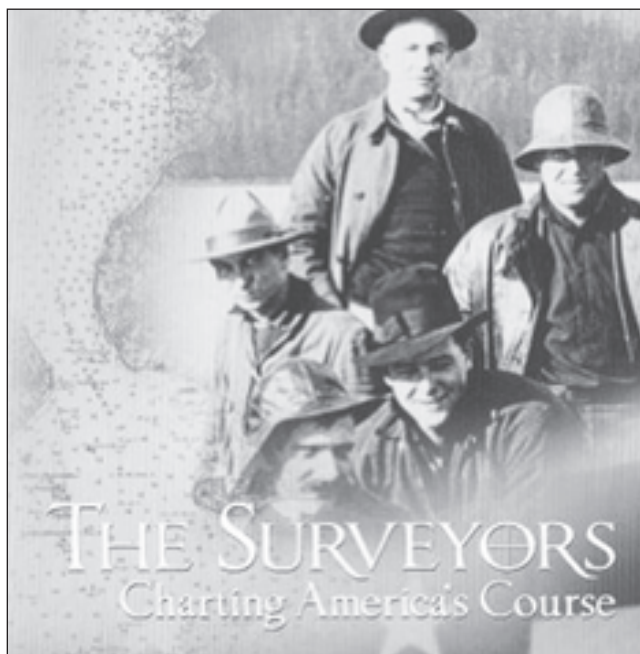
Mt. Nebo Baptist Church's women's day will be celebrated at 3 p.m. with special guests Prophetess Theresa Jackson, Evangelist Sharon Lewis, Evangelist Gennell Lofton and Prophetess Roshanda Hammond.

St. James Missionary Baptist Church's musician appreciation program will be at 3 p.m.

Oct. 11-14

Mt. Nebo Baptist Church's revival will be nightly a 7 p.m. with guest evangelist Pastor Timothy Henderson.

Jerry Madden to speak at Lions Club meeting



Courtesy Photo

This week's speaker for the Minden Lions Club is Staff Commander Jerry Madden of United States Power Squadron.

Thursday he will be speaking on the history and process of surveying America, as well as showing the short documentary "The Surveyors: Charting America's Course."

The Minden Lions club meets at noon at the American Legion Hall on Pine Street.

Share your events with the community. Send your events to community@press-herald.com, fax them to 377-1866, over the phone by calling 377-1866 or in person at our offices located at 203 Gleason St. in Minden

Parent university

The Northwest Louisiana Pregnancy Center offers parenting classes on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursday.

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- infant care
- toddler care

For more information and details on how to enroll call 639-0907. The Northwest Louisiana Preganancy Care Center is located at 1323 Sibley Road in Minden. Hours of operation are from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m.

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FOOTBALL

This week's football contest winners

The results are in for this week's MPH football contest and this week's first place winner is Kara Greene of Doyline with 18 correct picks and a tiebreaker score of 42. In second place is Henry Cole Lott with 18 correct picks and a tiebreaker score of 47, and in third place is Rita Hoenke with 18 correct picks and a tiebreaker score of 59. Be sure to turn in your entry for this week's contest.

NFL

Seattle win marred by controversy

SEATTLE (AP) — Kam Chancellor saw the ball exposed and threw a punch.

By knocking the ball free from Calvin Johnson, Chancellor may have created a wild swing in where the Seattle Seahawks will finish this season and provided another bit of officiating controversy on a Monday night in Seattle.

"It's good to have Kam back. To have him make that play was pretty cool," Seattle quarterback Russell Wilson said.

Chancellor punched the ball free as Johnson was about to score, the saving play in Seattle's 13-10 win over the Detroit Lions on Monday night. It bounded into the end zone where it was guided over the back line by K.J. Wright for a touchback, making it Seattle's ball at the 20.

As is the case with Monday night games in Seattle and specifically that end zone, officiating controversy followed. Wright should have been called for an illegal bat for hitting the ball out of the end zone, NFL VP of Officiating Dean Blandino told NFL Network. The penalty would have given the ball back to Detroit at the Seattle 1.

NFL

Philbin fired in Miami, Campbell in

MIAMI — The new Miami Dolphins coach says talent is not their problem.

Dan Campbell thinks the Dolphins need a more aggressive, intense, competitive environment, and he plans to provide it.

Campbell was promoted Monday from his job as an assistant when the Dolphins fired Joe Philbin four games into his fourth season. Campbell's only coaching experience is with the Dolphins, who hired him as an intern in 2010, and he has been their tight ends coach since 2011.

"This is my sixth season with the Miami Dolphins, and this is the most talented roster we have had in those six years," Campbell said. "We have plenty of talent. I feel there's a lot more we can get out of these guys."

Campbell said the prospect of replacing Philbin and becoming a head coach was "a little surreal."

LITTLE LEAGUE FOOTBALL

Gridiron action

RESULTS FROM WEEK TWO OF MINDEN REC. FOOTBALL

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Little league football season is in full swing. Here's a recap of last week's gridiron action.

2nd-4th Grade Cooper Tire 13 Saints 0

Landyn Huddleston led the Cooper Tire Cobras with two touchdowns on 29 yards rushing, while his teammate Keithri Kimble piled up 97 yards to lead the team.

Tyrone Grider contributed 15 yards, Brennan Benton had eight yards, N'Kayleb Reddix had nine and Victor Gipson Jr. added four yards.

Maurice Rabb led the

Saints with 11 yards, followed by Iverson Colbert and Jakobe Jackson with eight yards.

Lil' Tiders 18 Punishers 0

Brayden Britton led the Lil' Tiders with 92 yards, including a 70-yard touchdown. Isaiah Browning had a big game as well, totaling 38 yards and a pair of touchdowns, followed by Jacobe Rankin with 11 yards and Al Edwards Jr. with nine yards.

Darnell Morris was the top rusher for the Punishers with 19 yards on the ground. Hunter Perrin pitched in 14 yards in support, followed by Zigari Miller with 10 and Jamarion Evans with six yards.

5th-6th Grade Ducks 29 Punishers 0

The Ducks put it on the Punishers behind a big effort from Darryl Thomas who rushed for 182 yards and four touchdowns with a two-point conversion. Thomas got some help from Khyrese Taylor who finished with 69 yards and a two-point conversion, while Hudson Dillard added five yards in support.

The Punishers were led in this contest by a pair of Perrins, as Joel Perrin paced the offense with 39 yards and Jonathan Perrin contributed 21 yards. DaQuez Jackson ran for 25 yards for the Punishers, Dexter Smith had 24 yards and Jaylin Williams rounded out the

Mohawks 20 Lil' Tiders 13

The Mohawks earned a victory behind big games from Cade Boley and Kameron Talley. Boley finished the game with 44 yards and two touchdowns. Meanwhile, Talley went off for 95 yards and one touchdown. Andrew Cooper got involved in the offense with 30 yards, followed by Paul Clayton with 15 and Ethan Vise with 10.

Ty'Darrium Green powered the Lil' Tider offense with 137 yards and a pair of touchdowns, followed by Chris Redding with 44 yards and a one-point conversion run. Jarvis Moore totaled 37 yards on the ground for the Lil' Tiders and Darius Johnson added 23 yards.

Titans 32 Punishers 25

Eddie Markray had an outstanding game to lead the Titans to victory, rushing for 155 yards and three touchdowns. Markray got some help from teammates Jamaria Clark and Ty'Jaylyn Kemp. Clark carried for 67 yards and a pair of touchdowns, while Kemp finished with 29 yards and a two-point conversion.

D'Angelo Garner led the way for the Punishers with 115 yards and two touchdowns, while Jonathan Perrin broke loose for 79 yards and two touchdowns of his own. Riley Streetman pitched in 15 yards, Makel Hawk had six and Kamryn Lewis finished with three yards.

GLENBROOK YOUTH FOOTBALL

Glenbrook third and fourth-graders top Tensas



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It's playoff time for the Glenbrook third and fourth grade youth football team, and they kept their season alive with an impressive 36-0 victory against Tensas Academy.

The young Apaches got great performances all the way around, starting with their quarterback, Landry Powell.

Powell completed five of seven passes against the Chiefs for 39 yards and a trio of two-point conversions for the Apaches.

Powell really excelled on the ground, where he carried for 53 yards and a pair of touchdowns. Reagan Coyle had a big game rushing with 95 yards and two scores, while Chase Sentell added 8 yards and a touchdown and Parker Salas contributed one carry for 15 yards.

Sentell added one catch for 15 yards, tied for the team high with Coyle who also had a 15-yard grab. Easton Sanders, Seth Mangrum and Blake Guin each had a two-point conversion catch for the Apaches.

Powell tied for the team lead in tackles with five, a number matched by Garrett Brown who had five of his own. Cayd Herron and Easton Sanders both finished with two tackles, while Preston Frye and Tucker Pitman added one tackle.

LOUISIANA OUTDOORS

Unlikely siblings are finally united

In last week's column, I shared about learning the amazing news that I have an older half-brother I never knew I had.

My dad, Thomas Ernest "Doc" Harris a teen-aged sailor, met a young lady while he was on shore leave in New York. She was originally from Alabama and perhaps they were drawn to each other's southern accents. He returned to his ship and set sail never knowing that the young lady would be expecting his baby. On May 22, 1930, Paul David Clanton was born.

How the revelation of this situation came to light borders on the miraculous. It began some four years ago when Paul's daughter, Barb, decided to help her dad learn the identity of his father. She contracted with ancestry.com to help in this quest that seems so far out, being able to solve it seemed impossible. After all, Paul was born 85 years ago and my dad has been dead almost 40 years. Somehow, following the thread of DNA down through the ages, the agency was able to finally narrow down the identity of his father.

It took me awhile to process the fact that Paul's dad is my dad but the irrefutable facts of the findings eventually began registering with me. After corresponding with Paul and his children, it was time to lay eyeballs on each other, so the arrangements were made to do just that.

Paul lives in Eustis, Florida, my sister and I live in north Louisiana, so we agreed on meeting at about the

half-way point, Pensacola, Florida. Two of Paul's three children accompanied him, daughter Barb, and son John. Older son, Paul, Jr., lives in Denver and was unable to make the trip. Traveling with me were my sister, Linda, and my two daughters, Cathy and Kayla. Although understandably anxious, we were also excited to meet our newly-discovered kin. I'm sure the Clanton's felt the same.

It's hard to describe the feeling I had when I saw my half-brother for the first time. Photos his family had shared were telling but when we met, I could see my dad, my late brother, Tom, and some of our uncles in his face. All doubt was removed; Paul David Clanton is indeed my father's son; my half-brother.

One of the most telling characteristics Paul has that reminded me so much of my dad was his quick wit and sense of humor.

We enjoyed an exciting two days visiting, sharing meals together and simply getting to know each other. Apparently, DNA can reflect the love for fishing among family members.

Dad loved to fish; he taught my brother, sister and me to fish. I learned that Paul is an avid angler as well along with his son John, a serious fly fisherman.

John brought his fly rod along to Pensacola. He and I spent an hour early one morning on the beach with him demonstrating fly fishing technique to me, a novice whose only



Just like his father, Paul Clanton is an avid angler. Glynn Harris/Courtesy Photo

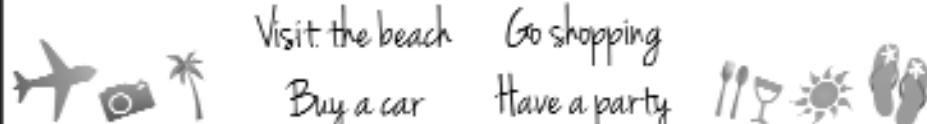
experience with a fly rod was with one I purchased from a discount store for \$19.95. I could never seem to do it right – the line always seemed to wrap around an ear or an ankle – while he handled the rod in his hand with the expertise of a maestro conducting a symphony orchestra. My dad, "Doc" Harris, the consummate outdoorsman, would have loved it.

After returning home, I reflected on the amazing event I had been party to. The dad I knew was a dad any boy would love to have. He taught us how to hunt and fish, he

was a good provider for our family, a faithful husband to my mother and wonderful father to my brother, sister and me. I rest in the realization that he went to his grave never knowing about the young lady's little baby boy.

Before the trip, I received a text from John who noted that he was looking forward to our meeting, mentioning the fact that we come from totally different backgrounds and the hope that we would all get along. I think John would agree that we did. After all, we're family now.

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AROUND THE NATION

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what is needed but not to 'over-build' these buildings."

The letter does not take a stance either in favor or against the proposition, but rather explains what the proposition is and how it will affect the taxpayer.

The proposition set for November's ballot will ask taxpayers in District 6 for an extension of the current property tax.

The date, time and location of the meeting has yet to be determined.

In other news, the board approved:

■ Moro Electric LLC to replace and install eight new GFI Rept. 20A; install conduit and wiring for a new water heater at Minden High School for \$980 using District 6 half-cent sales tax; and to install a electrical for flag pole lighting, all necessary wiring and conduit underground to the flag pole for two lights at North Webster Junior High School for \$1,400 using the Sarepta Maintenance Fund.

■ Approve Gentry and Holder Floors Inc to screen and recoat the entire gym floor at North Webster High School for \$3,500 using Springhill Maintenance Fund.

■ The purchase of an ice machine for North Webster High School for \$3,596 using the Springhill Lease Fund.

The personnel committee will meet at 5 p.m., Monday, Oct. 19 to discuss the renewal of the contract for Superintendent of Schools Dr. Dan Rawls. The next monthly board meeting will be Monday, Nov. 2, at 6 p.m. A finance committee meeting will commence at 5:30 p.m.

The Trump swagger is seen, not always loved, worldwide



BALMEDIE, Scotland — Republican presidential front-runner Donald Trump is well-known in this serene coastal section of Scotland, where shimmering golden sand dunes meet the ice-blue North Sea and people play on his golf course. He's known in the Himalayas, too, far from any sign with his name on it. And in the Middle East, Africa and beyond.

His is clearly a recognized name worldwide, which is not to say it's a beloved one.

In Balmedie, the real estate mogul is both praised and blamed for building a deluxe international golf course in a previously pristine spot. Some believe he's delivered the jobs and benefits he promised; others think American voters should beware a fast-talking scoundrel.

"He is a strange fish," said Susan Munro, a shop worker who has lived on land adjacent to the new Trump resort for more than 35 years. "If he doesn't get his own way, he just loses it." As she sees it, "He would be a disaster for everyone."

In diverse parts of the world, many see the ascendant Trump candidacy with a mixture of bemusement, astonishment and alarm. It's striking how many people know of him at all.

In the Himalayan hill town of Dharamsala, Tibetan Buddhist monk Tenzin Damchoe, 39, said Trump is "making a lot of noise to be noticed." Trump "must remember that the U.S. does not belong to white people,

they themselves were once immigrants," he said

In the northern India city of Lucknow, Sharmila Krishna, 40, praised Trump for bringing life and color to an otherwise dim campaign. "Political experience is not mandatory to run a country," she said. "Barack Obama has not done anything great."

Many opinion-leaders and ordinary people are, though, concerned about a political novice as U.S. president.

It is the bluster and the "make America great again" talk that has shaped this view. Also, his swagger from "The Apprentice" TV show, the easy-to-caricature hairstyle and his inflammatory comments, spread worldwide, about immigrants.

Meantime he's done little

to reach out to the rest of the world.

In South Africa, for example, Trump angered many with a series of harsh tweets, including one during Nelson Mandela's 2013 funeral service in which he called the country "a crime ridden mess that is just waiting to explode."

J. Brooks Spector, a retired U.S. diplomat who writes a column on American politics for The Daily Maverick, a South African news and opinion site, said Trump confirms the stereotypical view of Americans as loud, boisterous and arrogant.

Pearl Pillay, a policy researcher who spent time in the United States as part of the Mandela Washington Fellowship for Young African Leaders, said U.S. diplomacy

would "crash and burn" if he takes power.

Trump's self-presentation as a political renegade is, however, getting a sympathetic hearing from some people. And he seems to have support among Russia's emerging financial elite, many of whom are billionaires themselves.

Russian tycoon Aras Agalarov told the Russian press he was impressed with Trump when he met him in Moscow two years ago during the Miss Universe beauty pageant. "He said a lot of good things about our country, our culture, our people," Agalarov said.

In India, many younger people in the high-tech center of Bangalore take a dim view of Trump's candidacy, in part because he is per-

FOOD

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city conducted a test to lease out concessions, and mayor Tommy Davis says it's a win-win all around.

"I thought it would work

well from the beginning, because I knew that even if we broke even, we would be better off," he said in July. "We're going to do more than break even, because we're actually going to have some income from it for the city."

The test phase will end Oct. 31, and the request for proposal called for a mini-

mum of \$1,000 per month for concession rights and privileges plus a six percent charge on any monthly proceeds exceeding \$16,500 of gross receipts.

In the fiscal year 2013-14, city clerk Michael Fluhr, in July, said \$56,156.98 was spent on concessions alone. This does not include the

salaries or what is paid to concession workers. This is only the cost to run concessions. They spent a total of \$1,218,467.09 on recreation, which includes salaries, repairs and everything it takes to run the city's recreation department.

Revenue for the fiscal year 2013-14 was \$81,392.93 for

concessions. The total revenue for parks and recreation was \$128,402.93. In that fiscal year, parks and recreation accounted for 17 percent of the city's total expenses, according to the financial audit ending Sept. 30, 2014. The city's biggest expense is public safety, accounting for 35 percent of the city's total

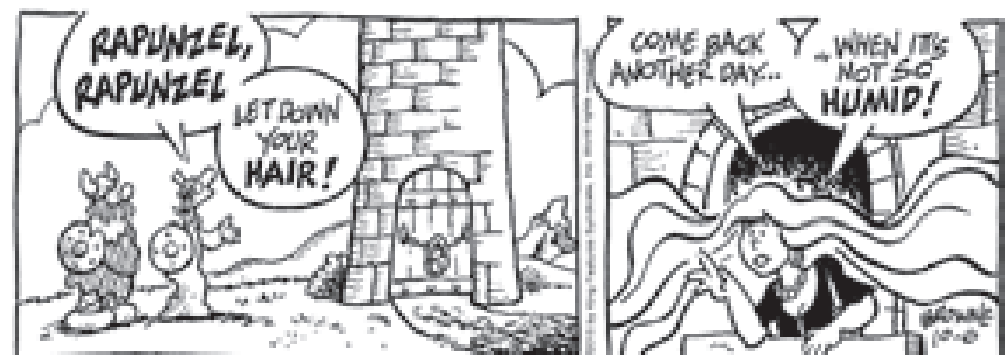
expenses. General government was at 26 percent, sanitation and health, 7 percent and highways and streets at 9 percent. Public works accounts for 5 percent.

The contract begins Nov. 1 and ends Oct. 31, 2016.

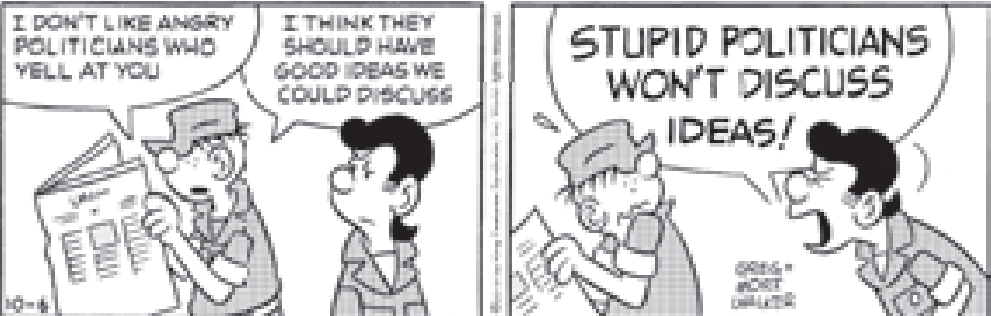
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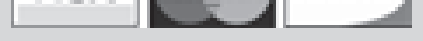
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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Parish School Board of the Parish of Webster, State of Louisiana (the Governing Authority), acting as the governing authority of School District No. 6 of the Parish of Webster, State of Louisiana (the District), on August 24, 2015, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held within the District on SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2015, and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the District qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

PROPOSITION (B O N D)

Shall School District No. 6 of the Parish of Webster, Louisiana, incur debt and issue bonds not exceeding \$7,000,000, in one or more series, to run not exceeding 20 years from date thereof, with interest at a rate not exceeding 8% per annum, for the purpose of acquiring and/or improving lands for building sites and playgrounds; including construction of necessary sidewalks and streets adjacent thereto; purchasing, erecting and/or improving school buildings and other school related facilities within and for the District, INCLUDING, TO

THE EXTENT FEASIBLE, THOSE SPECIFIC PROJECTS SET FORTH IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN APPROVED BY THE WEBSTER PARISH SCHOOL BOARD, and acquiring the necessary equipment and furnishings therefor, title to which shall be in the public, which bonds will be general obligations of the District and will be payable from ad valorem taxes to be levied and collected in the manner provided by Article VI, Section 33 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974 and statutory authority supplemental thereto, with no estimated increase in the millage rate to be levied in the first year of issue above the 29 mills currently being levied to pay General Obligation Bonds of the District?

The said special election will be held at the following polling places situated within the District, which polls will open at seven o'clock (7:00) a.m., and close at eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, to-wit in table on page 9.

The polling places set forth above are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be those persons designated according to law.

Notice is further given that a portion of the monies collected from the tax described in the Proposition shall be remitted to certain state and statewide retirement systems

in the manner required by law.

The said special election will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, and the officers appointed to hold the said election, as provided in this Notice of Special Election, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, will make due returns thereof to said Governing Authority, and NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Governing Authority will meet at its regular meeting place, the Parish School Board Office, 1442 Sheppard Street, Minden, Louisiana, on MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2015, at SIX O'CLOCK (6:00) P.M., and shall there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election. All registered voters of the District are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used.

THIS DONE AND SIGNED at Minden, Louisiana, on this, the 24th day of August, 2015.

ATTEST:
/s/ Charles Strong
President

/s/ Daniel Rawls
Secretary

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17	Alternative School, 109 Clerk Street, Minden
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18	(IN PART) Alternative School, 109 Clerk Street, Minden
21	Alternative School, 109 Clerk Street, Minden
22	Minden Civic Center, 520 Broadway Street, Minden
24	Minden Civic Center, 520 Broadway Street, Minden
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26	Minden Civic Center, 520 Broadway Street, Minden
27	Minden Civic Center, 520 Broadway Street, Minden
28	Minden Community House, 711 Gladney Street, Minden
29	Harper Elementary School, 618 Germantown Road, Minden
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33	(IN PART) Minden Civic Center, 520 Broadway Street, Minden
34	(IN PART) Minden Civic Center, 520 Broadway Street, Minden
43	(IN PART) Fire District #7, Fire Station #5, 11217 Hwy. 80, Minden

CRYPTOQUIP

T F C I Y S L X J P P X J D S H N N W P V X
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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IF A WEAK TREE BECOMES CAUGHT IN HURRICANE-FORCE WINDS, I SUPPOSE IT'S RISKING LEAF AND LIMB.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: X equals O

CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 Call a halt to
5 Bashful
8 Barrel
12 End of a melody
13 Caustic solution
14 Lotion additive
15 Comic-strip pub habitué
17 Un-draped
18 Wrong (Pref.)
19 Inseparable
20 Madison Avenue worker
21 Droop
22 Like some humor
23 Dazzling display
26 Let the air out
30 Hoodlum
31 Scarlet
32 Met melody
33 Musician Benny
35 Go in
36 Sweet potato

37 See 3-Down
38 Correct
41 — Lanka head?
42 Copper
45 Margarine
46 Mr. Fix-it pet
48 Pebbles' pet
49 Clay, today
50 In the thick of
51 Go looking for
52 Links prop
53 Cook-ware

3 With 37- Across and 44-Down, miscel-lany
4 Remu-neration
5 Word on the street?
6 Advertise to the max
7 "Uh-huh"
8 Game played with "sweet" characters
9 Astrin-gent

20 "Bow-wow!"
21 New Jersey peninsula
22 Mary
23 Ovum
24 Bill's partner
25 Privy
26 Lair
27 Illustrations
28 Dead heat
29 Listener
31 Aries
34 Yoga surface
35 Okla-homa city
37 Golfer Palmer, to fans
38 Scepters
39 Nastase of tennis lore
40 Kelly or Krupa
41 Store event
42 Bullets
43 Worm, maybe
44 See 3-Down
46 Chapeau
47 Shriil bark

Solution time: 22 mins.

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Yesterday's answer 10-6

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