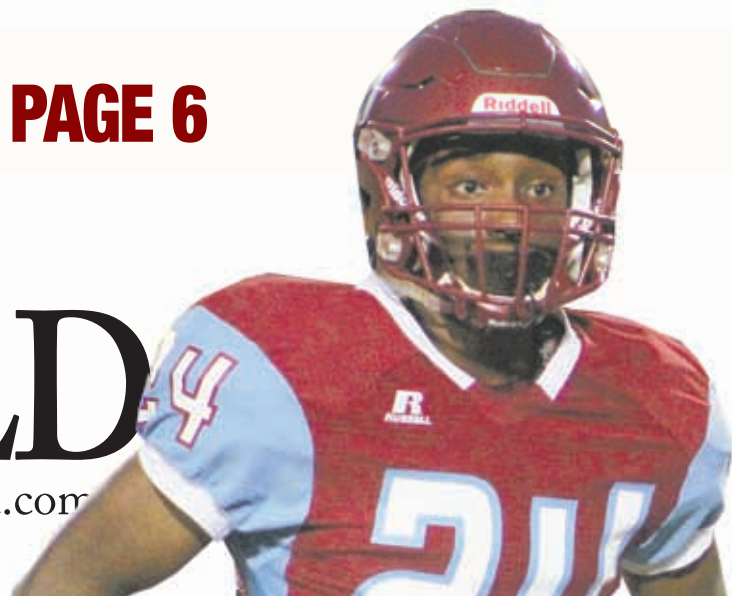


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CRIME

Minden woman arrested for murder

Police: Suspect shot son, woman while traveling down Interstate 20

A Minden woman was arrested for murdering her son and attempting to murder another woman Saturday night while riding in a vehicle on Interstate 20, according to police.

Dora Blake, 47, of the 400 block of Woodard Street is charged with first-degree murder and attempted first-

degree murder after police say she shot two people in the vehicle she was traveling in.

She was booked into the Bossier Maximum Security Facility on a \$1 million bond Sunday.

Bossier patrol deputies responded to a crash around 10:20 p.m. Saturday and

found a 2014 Nissan Sentra crashed into trees near the 36-mile marker on I-20.

Police say Blake told witnesses on the scene that she had been kidnapped and that she shot the two other people in the car.

Detectives found 22-year-old Patrick Hollingsworth (who also goes by Patrick

Watkins), dead in the driver's seat with a gunshot wound to the head.

Police say Hollingsworth is Blake's son.

A female passenger was also found in the front seat with a gunshot wound to the shoulder. She was taken to University Health hospital in Shreveport with what are believed to be non-life threatening injuries.

Authorities say the three were traveling eastbound on I-20 after visiting a casino in Bossier City, heading back to

Jonesboro or Minden. The trio was reportedly out celebrating Blake's birthday, which is Sunday, Nov. 22. Police say for unknown reasons, Blake took out a handgun that was in the vehicle and shot the two in the front seat.

Blake was taken to the hospital for a medical observation following the crash. She was later arrested on the murder charges.

Detectives say Blake was highly intoxicated.

**BLAKE**

ALL THINGS GERMAN



Minden celebrates Fasching Fifth Season

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Overcast skies gave way to beautiful sunshine Saturday as Minden's Fasching Fifth Season Celebration drew festivalgoers downtown.

With a karneval, vendors selling their wares, a variety of German food and music, the festival was a success, festival chairman Kerry Easley said.

"It's gone off without a hitch," he said. "We've not had any problems. The wind has been a little bit rough, but it's turned out to be a beautiful day in downtown Minden."

Festivalgoer Bethany Jones says she loves the festival and loves Minden.

"We love living in Minden, because we love all these

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ELECTION 2015 | SENATE

Gatti takes District 36 Senate seat

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Republican Ryan Gatti defeated fellow Republican Henry Burns in the Louisiana State Senate race for District 36 by claiming 51 percent of vote.

Gatti, who was out of the country on a mission trip to Haiti on Election Day, told the Press-Herald last week that he looks forward to serving the district and is ready to turn the tide of

**GATTI****BURNS**

Louisiana politics.

"The first thing we have to do is send someone down there [to Baton Rouge] that will not follow the governor

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ELECTION 2015 | POLICE JURY

Moseley wins police jury district 12 seat

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Dustin Moseley takes the Webster Parish Police Jury district 12 seat by 34 votes.

Moseley will take the seat of the late Charles Walker, and he says he'll do what it takes

**MOSELEY**

to represent his district well.

"Thank you to everyone who supported and encouraged me," he said. "I will give nothing less than my best while representing our district. I love our community, and I am honored at the opportunity to serve the people of district 12."

His opponent, Rebecca Shelley-Sherrard says she will support Moseley and will continue to help her

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ELECTION 2015 | PROPOSITION

School proposition passes easily

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Voters of bonding District 6 overwhelming voted to extend the 29 mill property tax by another five years to improve Webster Parish schools.

Webster Parish School Board Member Linda Kinsey thanked the voters for supporting their schools.

"It will be a good thing for our children, our schools

and our community," she said. "There are some things that need to be done, and without the proposition passing I'm not sure they would get done."

Board member John Madden says the plan itself is sound; however, he did not necessarily agree with the amount of money being spent on the project. He is grateful to the voters for passing the proposition so

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SPRINGHILL CRIME

North Webster football stars arrested

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SPRINGHILL — Two North Webster High School senior football players were arrested Friday morning on sex related charges.

Devin White, 17, and Keuntra Gipson, 18, both of Springhill, were booked into the Springhill City Jail and charged with misdemeanor carnal knowledge of a juvenile after police say they admitted to trying to have sex with a 14-year-old girl.

Springhill Police Chief Will Lynd told KTBS-TV the father of the alleged victim filed a complaint Thursday night with police and the ensuing investigation resulted in the arrests.

Police said it was determined that all sexual contact was consensual.

Players were only charged with misdemeanor charges

since they are less than four years older than the victim.

According to Louisiana law, misdemeanor carnal knowledge of a juvenile is committed when a person who is 17 years of age or older has sexual intercourse, with consent, with a person who is 13 years of age or older but less than 17 years of age,

when the victim is not the spouse of the offender, and when the difference between the age of the victim and age of the offender is greater than two years, but less than four years.

White and Gipson — who each had a \$1,000 bond — bonded out Friday, police said.

Both players took the field Friday night in the second round of the playoffs against Amite.



WHITE



GIPSON

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the board can take care of its children.

"I'm appreciative of the voters who have enough confidence in the board to put together a thought-out project that will be good for the kids of Webster Parish," he said. "Obviously, I have grave

concerns about the fewer number of classrooms at Phillips, but hopefully the bid will come back in such a fashion that we could have some alternates to at least add a few more classrooms."

The proposition will fund \$7 million in capital improvement projects to J.A. Phillips Middle School and Webster Junior High School to accommodate kindergarten and first grade stu-

dents and closing J.E. Harper Elementary School.

Voting for the proposition was 2,208, or 59 percent; against were 1,507, or 41 percent. In absentee voting, 923, or 63 percent, voted in favor of the proposition, and 542, or 37 percent voted against.

The proposition calls for a five year extension on a 20-year 29 mill ad valorem tax in bonding district 6, which will fund improvements to

Phillips and WJHS. The idea is to build an additional wing onto Phillips and move the kindergarten and first grade students there with pre-K. Nine additional classrooms and renovations to the existing facility will take place to be age appropriate.

The sixth graders now at Phillips will be moved to WJHS into a new wing, which will include a gymnasium/multipurpose room.

FASCHING

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festivals and such that we can just come downtown and go shopping," she said. "It's eclectic and good food, and she (her daughter) loves seeing Santa."

Karis, her 3-year-old daughter, got to see Santa and his helper, she said, which made it all worth it for her, Jones said.

Although there was no trolley to bring people to the Germantown Colony Museum for tours, Lynn Dorsey, executive director for the Webster Parish Convention and Visitors Bureau, said it worked out in the end. She thanked Jeff McBride, of First United Methodist Church, for providing a van to help transport those who wished to tour the museum.

"The weather is sunny and cool, making for a beautiful day to celebrate our German heritage in Minden," she said. "There was miscommunication regarding the shuttles to Germantown this year. We would like to say a special thank you to Jeff McBride and First Methodist Church of Minden for quickly providing their bus to shuttle our guests for free tours of the Germantown Colony State Museum offered each year during the Fasching Fifth



Jason Quarles and Elaine Eaton were one of many musical acts to perform during the festival. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald

Season Celebration."

At the museum, tour directors were dressed in period costume to bring an authentic feel of what it was like to live during the time Germantown was founded. Tourists learned about Min-

den's German heritage and how Minden came to be.

Dorsey said 51 toured the Germantown Colony Saturday.

The Fasching Fifth Season is the German version of Mardi Gras, which begins at

11:11 a.m., Nov. 11 of every year to usher in the season of celebration before Ash Wednesday. The season ends on Fat Tuesday, before ushering in the season of Lent.

CRIME TRACKER

Arrests for the week of Nov. 9

MINDEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Brandon Rasco, 28, 100 block of Stanley Street in Minden. Charged with driving left of center and careless operation.

Berrlyn Dennis, 21, 600 block of Marion Street in Minden. Charged with theft.

JaKoryon Wess, 19, 200 block of Buddy Brown Road in Minden. Charged with resisting an officer and operating a four-wheeler on roadway.

Carol Price, 49, 900 block of Brackin Street in Minden. Charged with improper lane usage, careless operation, and driving while intoxicated (second offense).

Haley Copeland, 27, 3000 block of Hideaway Circle in Shreveport. Charged with theft of goods.

Damien Fisher, 17, 400 block of MLK Drive in Minden. Charged with disturbing the peace by

fighting, battery on an officer, and resisting with force or violence.

Joshua Henderson, 17, 600 block of Pine Street in Minden. Charged with disturbing the peace by fighting.

Gary Walker, 42, Highway 79 in Homer. Charged with unauthorized use of an access card.

Miketerrio Cooper, 20, 500 block of Armory Drive in Homer. Charged with two counts of theft of a motor vehicle.

Lisa Davis, 38, 300 block of Britt Street in Minden. Charged with disturbing the peace by fighting.

Virginia Duncan, 20, 300 block of Britt Street in Minden. Charged with disturbing the peace by fighting.

Alford Gene Mims, Jr., 29, 200 block of Deerfield Boulevard in Minden. Charged with theft of a motor vehicle, theft, and simple criminal damage to property over \$500.

JURY

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community on the issues she heard the most about during her campaign—their children and their elderly.

"I'm going to support Mr. Moseley and I'm still going to do what I need to do to support our community in whatever capacity that I can serve in," she said. "I would only hope that Dustin will get on board with the M6 disposal situation and get more

involved with that. I'd also like to see him get more involved with the Bistineau Task Force and get involved in our community. I hope that he has more time to put forth that effort to make our community better, not just what the police jury does, but take an extra step and work with our community to make it better."

Voting for Moseley were 444, or 52 percent. Voting for Shelley-Sherard were 410, or 48 percent. In absentee, he received 65 votes or 52 percent; she received 59 votes, or 48 percent.

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AROUND THE STATE

Democrats celebrate victory in Louisiana governor's race

NEW ORLEANS — Democrats in Louisiana rejoiced as they reclaimed the governor's mansion for the first time in eight years, while the state's GOP leader insisted "our Republican brand is strong" even amid the defeat of a one-time political powerhouse, Republican U.S. Sen. David Vitter. John Bel Edwards' victory in Saturday's runoff election was once-unthinkable in the conservative state and a stunning turn of events for Vitter, who started his campaign nearly two years ago as the race's front-runner. With his 12-percentage point loss, Vitter announced he wouldn't seek re-election to the Senate in 2016.

Edwards' win offered a rare pick-up of a governor's seat for Democrats in the conservative Deep South, but Republican leaders insisted it was a one-time fluke that didn't suggest the GOP was on the ropes in Louisiana.

Republican Party of Louisiana Chairman Roger Villere pointed to victories for lieutenant governor and attorney general and gains in the state Legislature.

"Make no mistake, Louisiana is a deep red state and our Republican brand is strong," Villere said in a statement lamenting a "disappointing result in the gubernatorial race."

The Democratic victory was as much about Vitter's flaws as a candidate as it was about Edwards' strengths.

Edwards painted the race as a referendum on Vitter's character and suggested the U.S. senator didn't measure up in such a competition. Edwards, who started the campaign as a little-known lawmaker from a rural parish, focused on his West Point degree and military resume, and he pledged a bipartisan leadership style.

"The people have chosen hope over scorn, over negativity and over distrust of others," Edwards said in his victory speech, before leading a second-line parade with a jazz band through the French Quarter hotel ballroom.

In the final days, Vitter sought to rally Republican voters by drawing policy distinctions with Edwards and making Syrian refugee resettlement an issue in the state



campaign. But it didn't work.

"I've lost one political campaign in my life, tonight and ironically it's the campaign and the political effort I am most proud of," Vitter told supporters.

The rebuke from Louisiana voters will create an open Senate seat for the 2016 election, as Vitter announced he wouldn't seek re-election to Congress. Several Republicans already have said they're interested in running for the position, including U.S. Reps. Charles Boustany and John Fleming, among others.

Democrats were ecstatic as Edwards defied expectations that only a Republican could win statewide in Louisiana. He thanked supporters who "believed we could confound the conventional wisdom that this victory just couldn't happen."

"It did happen," he said.

Rather than a race about the state's deep financial troubles, the contest for governor largely became about Vitter, who has been in elected office, first as a state lawmaker and then in Congress, for more than 20 years.

Vitter began the election cycle nearly two years ago as the clear favorite. He stockpiled cash for the campaign, dwarfing all competitors. And with a campaign operation that has helped him and his allies to steamroll opponents over the years, he appeared nearly unbeatable.

But Vitter was hit with repeated attacks for a 2007 prostitution scandal in which he apologized for a "serious sin" after he was linked through phone records to Washington's "D.C. Madam."

He had trouble uniting Republicans after a blistering primary competition in which Vitter trashed two GOP rivals and received heavy criticism for his scorched-earth political style. And his campaign was accused of ethical improprieties after allegations it secretly recorded political opponents. Vitter's negatives with voters shot up in the polls.

The U.S. senator also was hampered by high disapproval ratings for his fellow Republican, outgoing Gov. Bobby Jindal, who is blamed for the state's financial problems.

"John Bel Edwards' victory shows that Louisiana has turned the page on David Vitter's scandals and eight years of Bobby Jindal's failed economic policies," the Democratic National Committee said in a statement.

Edwards benefited from a primary in which he largely escaped attacks while the Republicans slammed each other. He capitalized on voters' apparent unease with Vitter and built a campaign on personal integrity.

In speeches, he pledged: "I will be honest with you. I will never embarrass you."

SENATE

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100-percent of the time," he said at the time. "We don't know who will be elected governor, but we do know that my opponent followed the last governor 100-percent of the time and that was detrimental to our economy. So the first thing we have to

do is elect somebody who will stand up for the people and not the politicians."

Voting for Gatti were 14,023, or 51 percent.

State Rep. Henry Burns says now that the election is over, he will spend more time with his family.

"I've enjoyed my years of public service and look forward to working in my business and spending time with my children and grandchildren," he said, "and just con-

tinue to be a good, taxpaying citizen in our community."

With his children grown and on their own, he says he's looking forward to spending time with them and his grandchildren, attending various events and supporting them.

Voting for Burns were 13,698, or 49 percent.

The District 36 seat is currently headl by Robert Adley, who is term limited.

OBITUARIES

Spurgeon (S.H.) Burdine

Funeral services for Spurgeon (S.H.) Burdine were at 10 a.m., Monday, Nov. 23, 2015 at at Rose-Neath Funeral Home Chapel in Minden with Pastor Trey Waller, the Rev. Steve Richardson and Irene Agnew officiating. Interment followed at Gilgal Cemetery in Minden. The family received friends from 4 until 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, 2015 at Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden.

Spurgeon was born Aug. 6, 1923 in Atlanta, Arkansas to Donnie Hare Burdine and Carl Burdine who preceded him in death. He entered into rest Nov. 20, 2015 in Minden. Spurgeon graduated from Haynesville High School in 1942, He was a veteran, having proudly served three and a half years in the United States Coast Guard. He went to work for DuPont at age 25 and retired from there at age 62. Upon retirement he moved to Minden. He was an avid fisherman and hunter, still hunting and fishing into his 90's. He loved doing work with his Kubota tractor. He enjoyed playing dominos (especially winning). He always had a joke to tell before a family gathering started. Spurgeon was an active member of Gilgal Baptist Church where he served as a deacon. He will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife of 50 years Nelwyn Elkins Burdine and Maxine Cole Burdine wife of 11 years, son Ronald Wayne Burdine, grandson Brian Burdine, and brother Raymond Burdine.

He is survived by granddaughters: Amy Burdine Mitchell and husband Shawn, Jenny Burdine Davies and husband Matthew, great-granddaughters: Morgan, Lila and Isabella, great-grandson: Waylon, stepson: Tim Cole and wife Lisa, stepdaughter: Martha McGrew, step-grandsons: Thomas and Phillip Cole, step-granddaughters: Sarah and Hannah McGrew and husband Agustin, brother: Carlis Burdine, sister: Glovania Burdine McRae, numerous nieces and nephews and special caregiver Irene Agnew.

Margie Lee Howard

Funeral services for Margie Lee Howard will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 23, 2015 at Rose-Neath Funeral Home Chapel in Min-



BURDINE

den with the Rev. Jim Gstohl officiating. Interment will follow at Minden Cemetery in Minden. The family received friends from 5 until 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, 2015 at Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden.

Margie was born March 30, 1924 in Claridan, Arkansas and entered into rest Nov. 20, 2015 in Minden.

She was preceded in death by her husband Loyce Howard, son Calvin Ray Howard and sister Lillie Carol Biles.

She is survived by her daughters Ruth Austin of Locust Grove, Oklahoma, Betty Wallace of Heflin, Nellie Keith of Haughton, Beatrice Buck of Tyler, Texas, and Becky Waltman of Minden, 19 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren and 35 great-great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be grandchildren.

Robert "Bob" Langley

Graveside services for Robert "Bob" Langley were at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, 2015 at Pine Grove Cemetery in Minden under the direction of Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden. Officiating was the Rev. Ronnie Whitlock.

The family received friends from 12:30 until 1:30 p.m. Saturday, November 21, 2015.

Bob was born July 29, 1961 in Minden and entered into rest Nov. 19, 2015 in Minden.

He was preceded in death by his father Thomas Langley and brother Tommy Langley.

He is survived by his mother Bonnie Langley of Minden, brothers Danny Langley of Minden, Dennis Langley of Minden, David Langley of Shreveport, and Sam Langley of Minden.

Ronald Rice

A memorial service for Ronald Rice, 44, was at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, 2015 at Living Word Church on Hwy. 531 in Minden.

His father, Ralph Rice and sister, Renee Rice, prece-

cede him in death. He is survived by daughter, Jennifer Rice of Bowling Green, Kentucky; mother, Ramona Rice of Haynesville; sister, Debbie Cardwell; uncle Derrell Cardwell and aunt Barbara; along with cousins and friends. Pastor Andy Maddox officiated the service.



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In the face of terror, we stand as one

This past week we've seen the best and the worst of humanity. The heinous terrorist attacks in Paris and Beirut, in Iraq and Nigeria. They showed us once again the depths of the terrorist's depravity. And at the same time we saw the world come together in solidarity. Parisians opening their doors to anyone trapped in the street, taxi drivers turning off their meters to get people home safely, people lining up to donate blood. These simple human acts are a powerful reminder that we cannot be broken and in the face of terror we stand as one. In the wake of these terrible events, I understand the anxiety that many Americans feel. I really do. I don't dismiss the fear of a terrorist bomb going off. There's nothing President Obama and I take more seriously though, than keeping the American people safe.

In the past few weeks though, we've heard an awful lot of people suggest that the best way to keep America safe is to prevent any Syrian refugee from gaining asylum in the United States.

So let's set the record straight on how it works for a refugee to get asylum. Refugees face the most rigorous screening of anyone who comes to the United States. First they are fingerprinted, then they undergo a thorough background check, then they are interviewed by the Department of Homeland Security. And after that the FBI, the National Counterterrorism Center, the Department of Defense and the Department of State, they all have to sign off on access.

And to address the specific terrorism concerns we are talking about now, we've instituted another layer of checks just for Syrian refugees. There is no possibility of being overwhelmed by a flood of refugees landing on our doorstep tomorrow. Right now, refugees wait 18 to 24 months while the screening process is completed. And unlike in Europe, refugees don't set foot in the United States until they are thoroughly vetted.

Let's also remember who the vast majority of these refugees are: women, children, orphans, survivors of torture, people desperately in need medical help.

To turn them away and say there is no way you can ever get there would play right into the terrorists' hands. We know what ISIL — we know what they hope to accomplish. They flat-out told us.

Earlier this year, the top ISIL leader al-Baghdadi revealed the true goal of their attacks. Here's what he said: "Compel the crusaders to actively destroy the gray zone themselves. Muslims in the West will quickly find themselves between one and two choices.

Either apostatize or emigrate to the Islamic State and thereby escape persecution." So it's clear. It's clear what ISIL wants. They want to manufacture a clash between civilizations. They want frightened people to think in terms of "us versus them."

They want us to turn our backs on Muslims victimized by terrorism. But this gang of thugs peddling a warped ideology, they will never prevail. The world is united in our resolve to end their evil. And the only thing ISIL can do is spread terror in hopes that we will in turn, turn on ourselves. We will betray our ideals and take actions, actions motivated by fear that will drive more recruits into the arms of ISIL. That's how they win. We win by prioritizing our security as we've been doing. Refusing to compromise our fundamental American values: freedom, openness, tolerance. That's who we are. That's how we win.

May God continue to bless the United States of America and God bless our troops.



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Bobby Jindal's campaign comes to an unsurprising end

With only weeks remaining in office, Gov. Bobby Jindal has returned home to try to shore up his Louisiana legacy after his presidential campaign ended unsurprisingly with him headed to a new home in Baton Rouge, rather than the White House.

A statewide tour and press releases touting his accomplishments might be too little too late to win kind thoughts from the folks in Louisiana, where his approval ratings have dropped to record lows.

The term-limited Republican is seeking to exit the governor's mansion in January with Louisiana residents remembering his economic development wins and education overhaul, rather than pre-vailing criticisms that he put his national ambitions over the state's needs.

Jindal dismissed such criticisms in the press conference he held in Baton Rouge, a post mortem of sorts, after scrapping his bid for the 2016 Republican presidential nomination.

"We've continued to work every single day that I've been governor to work hard to move our state forward. I'm proud of the result," he said. He added: "I think that I will be leaving our state better off than we were eight years ago."

The governor announced the end to his presidential campaign on Tuesday, unable to break through a pack of higher-profile Republican

candidates. Jindal focused his entire campaign effort on Iowa. But low poll numbers kept him off the main debate stages, and his fundraising lagged, making it difficult to continue even with a lean campaign operation.

"This clearly wasn't our time," Jindal said.

He also was saddled with low approval ratings and criticism about his governing back in Louisiana, which followed him as he campaigned for the White House. People in Louisiana believe that while Jindal only announced his presidential campaign in June, he really had been running for years — and governing Louisiana to position himself for that campaign.

Jindal rejected suggestions his low approval ratings and financial problems at home damaged his presidential bid. He insisted that his detailed policy proposals on taxes, education and health care were just less "exciting" for voters than he had hoped.

But even if he doesn't want to acknowledge it, Jindal was asked repeatedly in the second-tier debates and in national interviews about Louisiana's persistent budget woes and whether his abysmal favorability ratings from state voters should raise concerns for voters nationally. If folks at home don't like what you've done, he was asked, why should voters around the country embrace you?

The governor's office clearly understood the depth of the public relations problems Jindal has in Louisiana. In recent days, his office has been issuing press releases titled "A Stronger Louisiana," and highlighting Jindal's leadership and policies during his

two terms.

Louisiana has struggled with repeated budget shortfalls each year Jindal has been in office. That is partly due to his no-tax-increase approach to budgeting and his use of trust funds, property sales and patchwork financing to pay for state services. Lawmakers have largely gone along with the governor's approach.

Jindal has had to close midyear deficits each of the eight years he's been in office.

Rather than take some ownership of the state's financial difficulties, Jindal instead gave himself credit for cutting the size and scale of Louisiana government.

"I think the fact that we stood strong in our desire to cut government spending and grow the Louisiana economy was actually a selling point, was actually a strong point for people supporting us," he said.

Louisiana residents who have watched the state career from budget crisis to budget crisis don't seem to interpret his financial acumen quite the same way.

Jindal plans a statewide tour to highlight his achievements before leaving office in January. He said he hasn't decided on his political future just yet. At 44 years old and with an impressive resume of political jobs under his belt, Jindal is certain to have an array of options.

Whether the charm offensive in his last weeks as governor will improve his reputation in Louisiana, however, remains questionable.

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PERSPECTIVE

A tale of two terrors: Paris and New York

Like most people, I'm thinking of the terrorist trauma in Paris, though with a somewhat different perspective. I was in New York on Sept. 11, 2001, and my thoughts go in this direction: What is the future of cities in which psychopaths have killed crowds of bystanders?

In New York, the future as we've known it so far has been one of glory and growth. In Paris — its post-attack future just a few days old — it's been a quick return to the previous embrace of culture and camaraderie. The people now thronging the cafes and theaters may be exhibiting more an air of resistance than gaiety, but rest assured that the real enjoyment will take over.

But the aftereffects do not end there. These massacres are not like a wound that eventually heals. They're more like a cancer that can go into remission for a while and then come back. And these cancers can take on different forms, changing the people in different ways.

The 9/11 attacks in New York were centered on the World Trade Center twin towers, emblems of America's economic might. They were assaults from above, and the perpetrators were foreigners. Though the weapons were hijacked commercial airliners, the attacks had the feel of a conventional war.

In both cities, it took a while before people felt confident that the onslaught was over. Fourteen years ago, New Yorkers kept looking skyward at every sound of aircraft long after they recognized that the only planes flying over Manhattan were U.S. military.

Manhattan is an island and was eerily cut off from the rest of America. Bridges and tunnels closed. There were no domestic flights, no intercity buses, no Amtrak. For a while, only one or two subway lines were running. Restaurants stayed open, their hard-working staffs at the ready, but only a few stragglers showed up for dinner.

Gradually, all came back to "normal" — more than normal, actually, given today's congestion, soaring home prices and hyper-expensive eateries without an empty seat.

Although the New York attacks were far grander in scale and horrific imagery, the terror in Paris took on, in some ways, a scarier form.

It skirted the national symbols, aiming at places where ordinary people go for fun. These were soft targets, as were the London subway and Madrid commuter railroad, both of which had suffered terrorist bombings.

In New York's landmark Grand Central Terminal, heavily armed troops patrol the marble floor. The subway lines jammed with people are not so protected. New York would grind to a halt were residents and visitors afraid to ride the subways. And New York police are on alert as the holiday season fills the great stores, cabarets, dance clubs, theaters and surrounding streets with humanity.

We have no idea in which direction the terrorists' demented imagination will next turn. They seem to value surprise and may afflict smaller cities. In Europe, they already have. They may go after food and water supplies, a scenario the U.S. Department of Homeland Security is already considering.

What we know is they won't go away any time soon. The Paris attacks were against ordinary people, and the ordinary people have returned to their soft-target hangouts in defiance. Whether they would continue to do so after multiple incidents remains to be seen.

But one would hope the people of New York — or any other American city subjected to terrorist mayhem — would emulate the resilience of Parisians.

America's city-loving millennials remain untested, but they're a tough lot. Let's pray they never have to go through this while having faith they'd do so bravely.

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FROMA HARROP

Around Town

Nov. 23 - 24

New Hope Baptist Church's Harvest Revival will be nightly at 7 p.m.

Nov. 26

St. Rest Baptist Church will host its a Thanksgiving dinner at 1 p.m. at the BF Martin Community Life Center, located at 611 E. Union Street. All are welcome to attend and bring covered dishes.

The 33rd annual united traditional Thanksgiving gathering will be hosted by St. John Divine B.C. where the Rev. Herbert Rhone is pastor. Gathering time is 9 a.m. A Thanksgiving message will be delivered by the Rev. Rodney Williams, pastor of the King Solomon Baptist Church.

Nov. 29

Mt. Comfort Baptist Church will be hosting its Deacon and Deaconess program 11 a.m.

Mt. Zion CME Choir performs for German travel agents



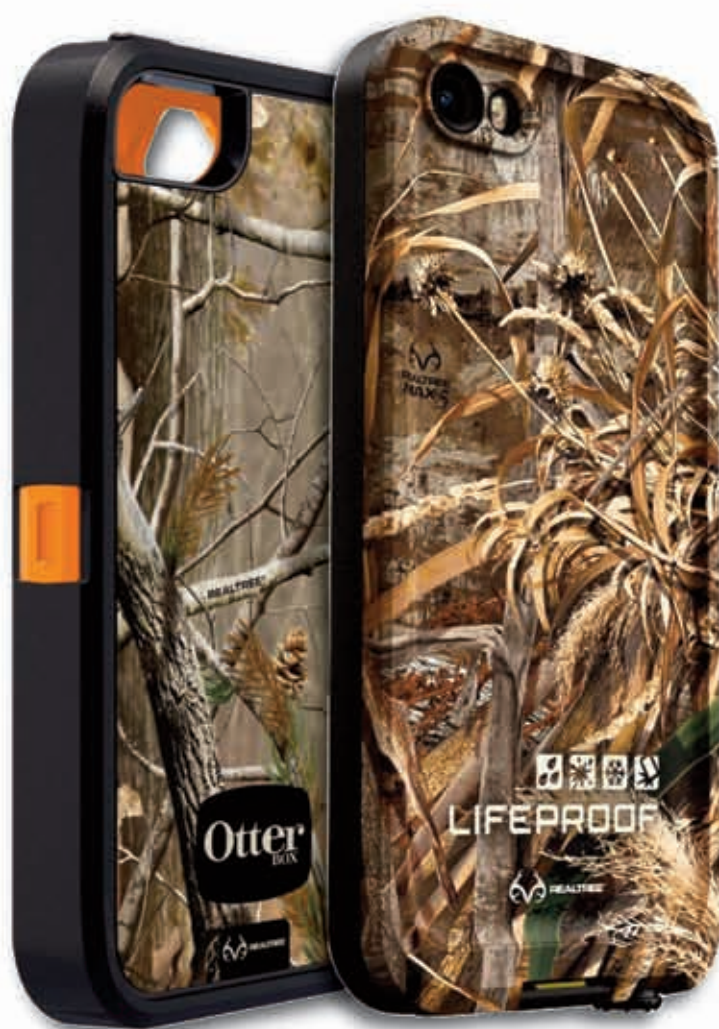
The Mt. Zion CME Church Chancel Choir performed Sunday, Nov. 15 at Grace Estate as a group of German travel agents were treated to a meal and music. Members of the Krewe de Ambassadeurs were also on hand to talk about Fasching and the Mardi Gras season. The agents were also treated to the history of the Germantown Colony. Courtesy Photo

Glenbrook School students of the month



Glenbrook School has selected students of the month for November. They are second grade student Maddie Gray, far left, and freshman Tate Towns. Courtesy Photo

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SPORTS briefs

NFL

Cardinals pull off late win

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Carson Palmer said last week this was "not just another game."

His Arizona Cardinals were facing Cincinnati, the franchise where his NFL career began and where he sat at home rather than play before the team finally traded him.

So maybe that explains the early difficulties Arizona had in Sunday night's games, but he sure made up for it after that in the Cardinals' 34-31 victory.

Palmer overcame two early interceptions to throw four touchdown passes, then capped his night off by completing three quick passes in the final 57 seconds to set up Chandler Catanzaro's game-winning 32-yard field goal with 2 seconds to play.

"I just made two really stupid plays," Palmer said. "Just kind of got the jitters out and we got rolling. We caught fire in the second half."

In the second half, Palmer completed 13 of 19 passes for 236 yards and three touchdowns with no interceptions.

"I think he wanted to get after these guys a little too much early," Arizona coach Bruce Arians said, "and then he settled down and got into rhythm."

Cincinnati quarterback Andy Dalton bounced back from a subpar performance the previous week against Houston to lead the Bengals back after Arizona took leads of 28-14 and 31-21 in the second half.

"I think the one thing you can take from this is that there's no quit," Dalton said. "We fought until the very end and that's good to see. We've got to keep that mentality. We've got to keep doing that. So there is some positive you can take from it."

NBA

Warriors off to 15-0 start with win

DENVER — Who's counting? The Golden State Warriors certainly are. The wins are piling up, and they're moving closer to NBA history.

But they're focused not so much on a number as winning in general.

Klay Thompson scored 21 points and the Warriors tied the best start in league history, beating the Denver Nuggets 118-105 on Sunday night to move to 15-0.

Golden State matches the start of the 1948-49 Washington Capitols and the '93-94 Houston Rockets. The Warriors can break the record Tuesday night at home against the Los Angeles Lakers.

"It's kind of a quiet confidence that we don't feel like we're going to lose anytime soon," Stephen Curry said. "The way we're playing ... we can get even better."

That's a scary thought for a Warriors team that just surpassed the '57-58 Boston Celtics for the best start by a defending champion.

"It's a huge accomplishment," Curry said of their blistering start. "Obviously, coming off a championship and taking care of business 15 straight times to start the season — couldn't ask for a better start."

As good as it gets right there — until Tuesday anyway.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Tide fall to Demons

MINDEN HEARTBROKEN AFTER 35-34 LOSS TO FRANKLINTON



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After four hard-fought quarters of awe-inspiring playoff football, the Crimson Tide came up one point short of keeping their dream season alive, falling to Franklinton, 35-34.

At one point, The Tide (9-3, 6-1) fought back from a 27-21 fourth-quarter deficit to take the lead at 28-27 with 7:47 to play.

Then, in the game's final minute, trailing 35-28, the Tide mounted a desperate drive to make the score 35-34 and seemingly escape elimination.

But in a cruel twist of fate, the extra-point to tie the game was blocked by the Demons.

After the ensuing onside kick was unsuccessful, reality and tears began to set in, as everyone was forced to accept that a truly special team would see their season end without a trip to the Dome. "I told our guys it would come down to just a few plays," Minden head coach Spencer Heard said. "It's a game of inches and seconds. Our players fought until the last tick of the clock. It's always tough, but we can go with the satisfaction of knowing we left it all on the field."

Franklinton got on the board first with a long touchdown drive on their first possession, ending with a Renaz Wilson touchdown run from five yards



HEARD



L'Jarius Sneed tries to shake loose from a couple Franklinton tacklers in the Tide's season-ending loss to the Demons Friday night. Douglas Blow/Press-Herald

out.

Minden countered with 8:10 left in the second quarter when Antonio Rivette found L'Jarius Sneed on a well-executed screen play that went 50-yards to the house and tied the game at 7-7.

The Demons regained the lead with 2:11 left in the second quarter, but the Tide responded with a touchdown drive that covered just 42 seconds. Tavarius Edwards started the drive with a double pass to Sneed, followed by a 31-yard Rivette completion to Edwards and finally capped by a one-yard Rivette touchdown run.

"We had to go to some

trick plays," Heard said. "That was a really good defense we were going against. It was really tough sledding inside in the running game."

At the half, the two teams were tied, 14-14.

Minden began the second half on fire. Rivette got completions to Sneed, Edwards and Kelcey Miller to move the Tide inside the 10-yard line. From the 8-yard line, Rivette rolled left and put up a prayer to the back-left corner of the end zone that looked uncatchable. However, Kelcey Miller went up high and made an outstanding catch, even having the awareness to toe-tap his foot inbounds

and secure the Tide's third touchdown.

Franklinton took the lead after back-to-back touchdowns from Wilson and Tahj Magee to make the score 27-21. That's when Heard called the same screen play that sprung Sneed earlier. It worked again, this time for a 55-yard touchdown to put Minden ahead, 28-27.

Minden forced a Franklinton punt with 4:41 to play and had the ball with a chance to potentially run out the clock. Facing a fourth-and-5 from the Franklinton 19, disaster struck.

Rivette rolled right looking for a completion that

would have iced the game, but was hit as he threw, forcing the ball to come out wrong. The pass floated in the air, landing in the hands of a Franklinton defender who then returned it 85 yards for a touchdown.

A stunned silence consumed The Pit, but the Tide answered quickly with a gutsy touchdown drive. Minden needed just the extra-point to send an already wild game into overtime, but the kick came off low and the Demons came up with the game-saving block.

"Sometimes it's like that," Heard said. "It was a tough game, and a really well-played game on both sides."

Rivette gave a superb effort, finishing with 279 yards and four touchdowns, adding 40 yards and another touchdown on the ground.

L'Jarius Sneed ended his career for the Tide in style, hauling in eight catches for 250 yards and a pair of scores.

"He had a great game," Heard said. "He has a bright future ahead of him. I told him after the game that I was most proud of being able to watch him grow as a person and mature right in front of my eyes. We'll miss his abilities and all those seniors abilities."

Edwards had six catches for 62 yards and completed two passes for 87 yards. Kelcey Miller came up big with five catches for 54 yards and two touchdowns.

Minden finishes their season with nine wins, the most since 2006's 13-1 campaign.

"We have a lot of guys coming back," Heard said. "You can see it in their eyes they're ready to get back in the weight room. It's a process in terms of building a program. This next group is excited and we will have some great senior leadership next year to keep guiding us in the right direction."

Stats courtesy of Mark Chreene at KASO/KBEF Radio

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Knights' season ends at hands of Amite, again



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SPRINGHILL - It was the game that North Webster wanted when they began their 2015 campaign, but even before the game started, things just didn't go the Knights' way.

Amite had knocked North Webster out of the Class 3A playoffs for two-straight seasons entering Friday night's game. After a valiant effort from the Knights and their star running

back Devin White, it wasn't meant to be, as Amite made it three straight with a 45-42 win over North Webster.

It was the second punch to the gut for North Webster and the Springhill community Friday, as earlier in the day their two brightest stars, White and fellow senior linebacker Ke'Untra Gipson were arrested on sex-related charges.

Both players took the field for North Webster, but there's no telling whether the distractions had any outcome on the game.

"It was very painful," Ware said of the loss. "I'm not going to say too much about that situation. I don't know much about it, so I'm not going to say much about it. I know our guys played and played hard. That's a lot to deal with

and our guys handled it very well."

The Knights stormed back from a two-touchdown deficit twice in the game to actually take the lead with just over a minute to play.

That's when Amite broke the hearts of Knights' fans for the third straight year, driving the field and scoring the game-winning touchdown.

"In all my years of coaching that's the most devastated football team I've ever been a part of," Ware said. "They laid it on the line. I'm proud of these kids and the fight they showed all year. These seniors won 35 games in their time here. To get where we've gotten to is pretty phenomenal."

The Knights wrap up the 2015 season with a record of 9-3 as district 1-3A champions.



The North Webster Knights fell to Amite Friday night in the final minute. Lori Hughes/Courtesy Photo

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NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Cowboys back on track in Romo's return



MIAMI GARDENS, Fla. — Tony Romo scrambled in the back of the end zone before improvising to throw his first pass in two months — left-handed for a short gain. He did even better right-handed. Romo pulled off his latest comeback victory Sunday, returning from a collarbone injury to throw for two scores, and the Dallas Cowboys won for the first time since he was hurt in Week 2, beating the Miami Dolphins 24-14. The Cowboys (3-7)

snapped a seven-game losing streak, their longest in a single season since 1989. They play host to undefeated Carolina on Thanksgiving. "Winning," Romo said, "is going to put a little more pep in everyone's step." Romo went 18 for 28 for 227 yards and overcame two interceptions by throwing touchdown passes of 31 yards to Terrance Williams and 16 yards to Dez Bryant. "I got more comfortable as the game went on," Romo said. "Him being back just gives everybody that much more juice," Bryant said. "We all know who our leader is." Dallas' dominating defense added to his comfort level, beginning when linebacker Rolando McClain scored the game's first points and his

first career touchdown on a 12-yard interception return. He stepped in front of a pass by Ryan Tannehill intended for Greg Jennings. Another day of sputtering offense for the Dolphins (4-6) increased the likelihood they'll miss the playoffs for the seventh year in a row. Romo looked rusty at times, and heavy rain and gusty wind early in the game didn't help. "That's the way it's supposed to be," Romo said. "That's why it's the NFL. You almost take it as a challenge, and it makes it almost more enjoyable." The Cowboys' first scoring threat ended when he was blitzed and his pass was intercepted by Brent Grimes. A frustrated Romo yelled at intended receiver Bryant as they headed for the bench. "I love that kid," Romo

said. Romo soon settled down and showed his characteristic creativity. The left-handed desperation lob allowed him to avoid a safety on the Cowboys' opening possession. "I didn't envision after my two-month layoff coming back with a left-hander," he said. "I did practice that about seven or eight years ago, so I was ready for it." "It gave me a shiver," Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said, "and I know it inspired the team." As expected, Romo sparked a team tied for next to last in the NFL in points. Since Week 2 of 2014, the Cowboys are 16-3 when he starts and 0-8 when he doesn't. "He's a damned good player," coach Jason Garrett said.



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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

LSU falls hard to Ole Miss, Les under fire

OXFORD, Miss. — Mississippi quarterback Chad Kelly was one of the team's biggest question marks three months ago. Now he's produced one of the best seasons in program history, passing guys like Eli Manning in the school record books in the process. Kelly threw for 280 yards and two touchdowns and ran for 81 yards and two touchdowns to lead No. 25 Ole Miss over No. 17 LSU 38-17 on Saturday. It was a game dominated by the Rebels except for a short stretch during the third quarter. "We're rolling," Kelly

said. "We're doing a good job." LSU, on the other hand, was dogged by penalties and mistakes in the embarrassing loss. Now veteran coach Les Miles is facing questions about job security after the program's first three-game losing streak since 1999. It was another rough day for the Tigers, who were undefeated and in national title contention just three weeks ago. The Tigers have been outscored 99-47 in three straight losses to Alabama, Arkansas and the Rebels. LSU made mistakes at crucial times on Saturday

and often seemed unorganized. The Tigers were penalized 13 times for 95 yards, had three turnovers and fumbled four times, including twice on one series. Ole Miss (8-3, 5-2 Southeastern Conference, No. 22 CFP) jumped out to a 24-0 by late in the second quarter. Kelly completed 19 of 34 passes and had no turnovers. The 6-foot-2, 215-pound junior — who transferred to Ole Miss last spring from East Mississippi Community College — broke single-season records for total offensive yards (3,857) and total touch-

downs (34) on Saturday. "Chad prepares himself as hard as any quarterback I've ever coached," Freeze said. LSU (7-3, 4-3, No. 15 CFP) rallied in the third quarter to cut the deficit to 24-17, but the Rebels responded with two quick touchdowns to put the game out of reach. LSU star running back Leonard Fournette had a decent day, with 108 yards rushing on 25 carries, but his presence was mostly neutralized after the Tigers fell into an early hole and had to throw to try and score points quickly. "Our goal was to make

them one-dimensional," Ole Miss defensive back Mike Hilton said. Brandon Harris completed 26 of 51 passes for a career-high 324 yards, one touchdown and two interceptions. The 26 completions and 51 attempts were also career highs. LSU's biggest problem early in the game was mistakes — the Tigers were penalized nine times in the first half, including four times on the opening drive. "We are out of synch," said Miles, who deflected several questions about his job security. "That's not how we practice. I'm disappointed because I have coaches

and players that work very hard. I told them, you have one game left." But LSU finally found some momentum just before halftime when Harris hit a wide-open Tyron Johnson for a 39-yard touchdown to pull within 24-7 at the break. As Johnson ran untouched into the end zone, two Ole Miss players in the secondary argued about who blew the coverage. "It was really scary," Ole Miss tight end Evan Engram said. "But it's SEC West football. Anything can happen. It's going to be a dogfight all 60 minutes — no game is won in 30 minutes."



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North Parish Industrial District Board of Directors (BOD) MINUTES - Regular Meeting Monday, October 26, 2015 - 5:30 P.M. 117 Loading Dock Drive, Cullen, LA 71021

Present: Jeff Harper, David Smith, Denny McMullan, John Sexton; NWPID Slattery, attorney; Britt Herrin, Gaddis, Mike Dunaway (staff). A quorum present.
Absent: Terry Lamar and Smith
Guests: None
Jeff Harper, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Financial Report McMullan motioned payment of bills in the amount of \$134,370.02 be accepted as presented. David Smith seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously. Gaddis noted \$40,995.00 represented Well #3 construction costs and is eligible for reimbursement through DRA as well as \$2,220.00 representing Site Certification cost and that is eligible for reimbursement through LED. McMullan motioned the Financial Report be accepted as presented. David Smith seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes McMullan motioned the September 21st and October 2nd Minutes be approved as presented. David Smith seconded motion; motion carried unanimously. Lamar Smith motioned that the District request an opinion from the Louisiana Attorney General office as to whether a municipality could appoint a City Council member to the district board to represent that municipality.

Water Superintendent's Report Herrin discussed NWPID activity since the last board meeting

and updated on all current happenings. David Smith motioned that Herrin be approved to go to Atlanta, GA and Dallas, TX for ED Meetings. Sexton seconded motion; motion carried unanimously.

Old Business McMullan motioned we award N/S Contractors the job of bush hogging the park. Sexton seconded motion; motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments None

New Business David Smith motioned that Denny McMullan be elected as Chairman of the Board. Sexton seconded motion; motion carried unanimously.

David Smith motioned Randy Sexton be elected as Secretary/Treasurer. McMullan seconded motion; motion carried unanimously.

McMullan motioned to approve updating all financial and banking information to reflect officer changes. David Smith seconded motion; motion carried unanimously.

McMullan motioned to adjourn meeting. David Smith seconded motion; motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted Britt Herrin Executive Director

Approved Randy Sexton Secretary/Treasurer

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North Parish Industrial District Board of Directors (BOD) MINUTES - Special Meeting Friday, October 2, 2015 - 12:00 P.M. 117 Loading Dock Drive, Cullen, LA 71021

Present: Jeff Harper, Denny McMullan, Terry Smith, Terry Reveille; Britt Herrin (staff). A quorum was present.
Absent: David Smith, Randy Sexton, Jeff Harper, Chair, called the meeting to order. McMullan motioned to allow the District to make a request to LED to modify the CEA and EDAP to allow the District to enter into an agreement with IntegriCo to purchase the Green Spec. Building back for \$207,463.00. Reveille seconded motion; motion carried unanimously. Lamar Smith motioned that the District request an opinion from the Louisiana Attorney General office as to whether a municipality could appoint a City Council member to the district board to represent that municipality.

Approval of Minutes McMullan motioned the September 21st and October 2nd Minutes be approved as presented. David Smith seconded motion; motion carried unanimously.

Water Superintendent's Report Herrin discussed NWPID activity since the last board meeting

Reveille unanimously.

seconded motion; motion carried unanimously. Respectfully Submitted to adjourn meeting. McMullan seconded motion; motion carried unanimously. Approved

Respectfully Submitted Britt Herrin Executive Director

Approved Secretary/Treasurer

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North Parish Industrial District Board of Directors (BOD) MINUTES - Regular Meeting Monday, September 1, 2015 - 5:30 P.M. 117 Loading Dock Drive, Cullen, LA 71021

Present: Jeff Harper, David Smith, Denny McMullan, John Sexton; NWPID Slattery, attorney; Britt Gaddis (staff). A quorum present.
Absent: Keith Terry and Smith
Guests: Bruce Webster, Clanton, Police Jury

Jeff Harper, Chair, called the meeting to order. Financial Report McMullan motioned payment of bills in the amount of \$18,831.06 be accepted as presented. David Smith seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously. Gaddis noted \$12,524.98 represented IntegriCo construction costs and eligible for reimbursement through LED. McMullan motioned the Financial Report be accepted as presented. Sexton seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.


Approval of Minutes David Smith motioned the August 31st Minutes be approved as presented. McMullan seconded motion; motion carried unanimously. Water Superintendent's Report Rendon discussed where we stand in the site selection for that. He also discussed the progress we are making on site certification.

Old Business Sexton motioned we advertise for bids to bush hog the park. McMullan seconded motion; motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments None

New Business Herrin and Harper discussed their meeting with Brian Sayers from Stericycle.

David Smith motioned to adjourn meeting. McMullan seconded motion; motion carried


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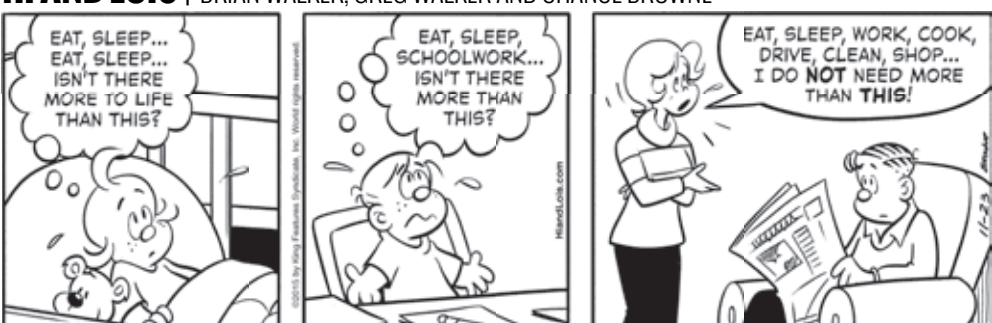
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