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This Friday, Grilling On Main will be featuring it's newest competition Little Grillers, where age groups 6-12 and 13-18 will compete to grill the tastiest pork chop beginning at 6 p.m. at City Hall. Prizes will be awarded to 1st and 2nd place in each age group, though every little griller that signed up will be given their own grill, bag of charcoal, lighter cubes, and chimney starter to use for the competition and take home provided by the competitions sponsor Ace Hardware. Hugh Wood Catering and Specialty Meats will be supplying the pork chops for the competition.

At 6 p.m. the Cornhole Tournament will begin, located in the parking lot at the corner of Union and Broadway. Friday's events will go out with a bang, with a fireworks show taking place at 9 p.m.

On Saturday there will also be a People's Choice Contest starting 11:30 a.m. where event-goers can pay \$5 to enter the tasting of pork butt roasts and submit their opinion on who grilled it the best. Tasting tickets will go on sale at 10 a.m. This portion of the competition will be taking place along Pearl Street, with the pork butts numbered and in a line

to make tasting and judging as convenient as possible.

These are just a few of the many events going in this year during Grilling On Main. A full schedule of the events for the weekend can be found below:

Friday, Jun. 11

8am 6pm Grilling Contestant Registration - Orleans on Main

11am Craft and Food Vendors on Main Street Open for Business

5pm 9pm Music on the Stage - The Remix Band

6pm Little Grillers Begin Cooking at City Hall

6pm Cornhole Tournament Begins at Union & Broadway

7pm Competitor Cook's Meeting At Orleans on Main

8pm Little Griller Winners Will Be Announced At Stage

9pm Fireworks Begin

Saturday, Jun. 12

6am 3pm Grilling Contestants Cooking Competition BBQ

10am 5:30p Craft and Food Vendors on Main Street Open for Business

10am Tasting Tickets Go On Sale for \$5.00 Each at Tasting Booth

11am 3pm Coloring for Kids at City Art Works - 701 Main St.

11am 4pm Music on the Stage - DJ Milford Parker

11:30am People's Choice Tasting Begins

5:30pm Winners Will Be Announced At Stage

ARREST

Heflin man caught littering, arrested for meth

STAFF REPORT

Minden Press-Herald

A little over a week ago a deputy of the Webster Parish Sheriff's Office was traveling on Highway 37 when he noticed Johnathan Squyers walking south down the highway.



SQUYERS

According to the booking report, the deputy witnessed Squyers "throw a white object in the right of way grass ditch."

The report went on to say that Squyers, "appeared to be on an illegal narcotic due to his slurred speech and red watery eyes."

After admitting to having thrown a Black & Mild cigar into the ditch, the deputy searched his person, finding a "glass pipe commonly used to smoke methamphetamine ... in his waistband," and a medicine bottle containing, "1.4 grams of methamphetamine in a clear plastic baggie," the report stated.

Squyers has since been booked into the parish jail and was officially charged with possession of a schedule II substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, and littering.

Williams receives Student Success Champion Award from NLTCC

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Each year Northwest Louisiana Technical Community College honors a member of their faculty or staff with the Student Success Champion Award to an individual who goes above and beyond for the students they serve. This year was a first for the award, as NLTCC decided to present the award to a non-staff member, one Timothy Williams, Guidance

Counselor for Ringgold High School.

"Every year we've selected someone at the institution, someone that worked in student services or a faculty member that had done great things. Well this year we have decided to select an outside person. This is the first time that we have ever given a Student Success Champion award to someone who was not an employee of Northwest," said DeDe Griffith, NLTCC Vice Chancellor

of Academic and Student Affairs.

"But I'm excited and honored to give it to you, Mr. Williams, and I wanted your students to see you receive this award. Because it really is all about you students, that's what you do."

Since taking up his position as Guidance Counselor at RHS nearly ten years ago, Williams diligence led to Ringgold High School having the first student in the state of Louisiana to graduate

with both a highschool diploma and an associates degree, and since then he has worked to provide that same opportunity to countless other students.

To provide an example of Williams influence, during the 20/21 school year, Bienville Parish School District saw their students receive 2194 dual enrollment hours, 17 certificates of general studies, 4 associate's degrees, and a variety of technical diplomas and

credentials.

For these reasons and more, Williams was selected as this year's recipient of the Student Success Champion Award.

"Mr. Williams is responsible for more dual enrollment students than all of our other highschools put together," said Griffith.

"On a professional level, there's just no one else that we have been able to work with that has really

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SECOND FRONT

CITY COUNCIL

Public Works Director, Longleaf and Woodard repairs discussed at this months council meeting

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The agenda for Minden's June City Council Meeting was significantly longer than past months, with plenty of important City business to attend including the potential hire of a City Works Director, street overlays for Longleaf and Woodard, approval of agreements with other companies, and some promotions as well. Before the vote on whether to hire the new public works director, Michael Roy shared some comments explaining why he thought the new public works director was right for the job.

"I feel that if we don't, we're really missing out on a good opportunity. The young man even came up, from Houston, when the storms hit to see what he could do to help us.

Saturday he came and served meals with us. He's just a well rounded guy, he has some abilities and potential, and I just think it would be wrong if we didn't put him to work," said Michael Roy.

With no other discussion from the councilmen, the time to vote came and the motion ultimately failed with three opposed, Councilman Wayne Edwards, Dist. A, Terika Williams-Walker, Dist. B, and Vincen Bradford, Dist. C, and two in favor, Councilman Michael Roy, Dist. D, and Pam Bloxom, Dist. E.

Another important issue that was addressed this meeting was that of street improvement projects for Longleaf Drive and Woodard Drive. The residents of this community have long since been vocal about the need for the roads to be repaired, bringing the issue up in past workshops and council meetings.

Sixteen of the residents came to the meeting to show their support for this item being passed. One of the most vocal of these residents has been citizen Tracy Campbell, who addressed the council before the vote, reiterating the importance of repairing these roads.

"For those that have been in previous workshops you've heard my comments, you've seen my pictures, you've heard the reports from our Streets Director Terry Combs that the streets mentioned on your agenda today are the highest priority streets in Minden," said Campbell.

"Every time it rains, the situation just gets worse. Filling in the potholes only causes additional problems, it's just a temporary fix until the next rain comes. If you drive down there today you can see that it's as bad as it's ever been. I implore you tonight to do the right thing and please address our streets."

Another of the residents, Marvin Garrett, also addressed the council to emphasize the need for repair. "Just to reiterate on what Tracy said, I actually had a family member blow a tire out a couple months ago on Longleaf. I was a policeman here for thirty years in the city. I've literally driven up and down probably every city street in this town throughout my career," said Garrett.

Longleaf and Woodard, as even Terry has stated, are the worst streets inside the city limits. Speaking on behalf of myself and the other residents of that community, we would just encourage you to please vote to let this move forward, and we appreciate every one of yall's time and consideration.

After hearing the com-

ments form the residents, the council voted unanimously in favor for starting the bidding process for the street improvement projects to Woodard and Longleaf.

The council also unanimously voted to allow the mayor to enter an agreement with VIFiber. This agreement, brought forward to the council by Minden's Economic Director Phillip Smart, would essentially allow VIFiber to apply for grants on behalf of the city that would fund high speed broadband infrastructure development for the City of Minden. After a brief discussion, the motion was carried unanimously.

Councilman Bloxom moved to authorize the Mayor to negotiate, enter into and sign a

Contracting Services Agreement with Southwestern Electric Power Company. The agreement would put Minden near the top of SWEPCO's list for receiving additional crews to help restore power in times of emergency, something that the recent tornado has shown is a high priority. The motion was carried unanimously.

The council also approved a number of Minden Police Department Promotions. Minden Police Sergeant Brandon Curry was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. Minden Police Officers First Class Mitchell Hackett, Donald Brice and Jeremy Sitter were promoted to the rank of Sergeant. The council also approved Morris Busby to replace Steve Bryan on the Minden Planning Commission.

The monthly City Council Meetings take place the first Monday of each month starting at 5:30 p.m. at Minden City Hall. Meetings are open to the public.

Award: Williams gives thanks to all his students

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dedicated themselves to the students like you do."

Upon receiving the award, Williams stated, "I do this because I love my kids. I love all kids, and when I was young, I didn't have anyone to help me, so I promised myself when I got something like this I would help others."

Jackelyn Sampson, of the Bienville Parish School Board Office was also present at the ceremony to share her experiences of working with Williams in the Bienville School District.

"To me, a visionary is someone that can see what's invisible to others, and for approximately ten years, that was a man who had a vision of his students graduating from high school and earning an associates degree at the same time. He joined forces with NLTCC and other post secondary institutions to develop a plan of action. It took about 5 years and a tremendous amount of time, effort, and financial support for his vision to become a reality. Since



that time, his vision has encompassed a significant number of students throughout the bienville parish school district," said Sampson.

"This visionary man believes that a person's circumstances does not dictate his or her future, and that there comes a time in life when you

have to leave your comfort zone and embrace new experiences. I would like to personally thank and recognize this visionary man for Bienville Parish, and more specifically, for Ringgold High School, my dear coworker and friend, Mr. Timothy Williams."

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GOVERNMENT

Louisiana Legislature agrees to eliminate jail time for small amounts of marijuana

(The Center Square) – The Louisiana Legislature gave final passage Monday to a bill that calls for eliminating the possibility of jail time for possession of marijuana for personal use.

House Bill 652 by Rep. Cedric Glover, a Shreveport Democrat, reduces the maximum fine for possessing up to 14 grams of marijuana from \$300 to \$100. Unlike under

current law, the penalties would not increase for subsequent offenses and there would be no possibility for a felony conviction.

Additional penalties for subsequent convictions for having larger amounts still would apply.

Sen. Jay Luneau, the Alexandria Democrat who presented the bill in his chamber, said the current law can lead to putting

people in jail who don't need to be there, which he described as a waste of the taxpayers' money.

"There are people in jail because they can't pay their fines," he said.

Sen. Bodi White, R-Central, warned against voting for the bill, which he said is a step toward full legalization.

"We're going to go to \$100 [fines]," White said. "Next year, it'll be \$50. The

next year, it'll be 50 cents."

The Senate sent the bill to the governor with a 20-17 vote, the bare majority needed for passage.

Legislators this year also have agreed to add smokeable marijuana to the state's medical cannabis program in House Bill 391. The House debated legalizing marijuana for recreational use but decided not to advance those proposals.

LEGISLATION

Bill allowing college athletes to cash in on the use of their names heads to Governor's desk

BY ADRIAN DUBOSE
LSU Manship News Service

BATON ROUGE--A bill that would let Louisiana college athletes cash in on the use of their names, images or other likenesses passed the Legislature and is on the way to the governor's desk.

The Senate voted 35-0 Tuesday to approve the bill with amendments that had been added in the House. The bill, SB 60, passed 88-7 in the House on Monday.

The bill would allow college athletes to profit off their names and likenesses once the National Collegiate Athletic Association gives guidance on how athletes can profit off themselves.

The bill comes shortly before the U.S. Supreme Court is expected to decide on the National Collegiate Athletic Association's case about its limits on eligibility and compensation. A number of states have passed similar bills to overcome the NCAA's reluctance to loosen its rules when athletes' names and images are used in video games or for other commercial reasons.

"I think this is important, and I think this is where our country is headed, and I think this is

important for the schools in Louisiana," said Rep. John Stefanski, R-Crowley. "Fifteen other states have passed legislation on this matter, so if Louisiana does not pass this, they will be left behind."

During the House debate, Stefanski argued that the bill was a matter of fairness for student athletes.

Lawmakers questioned the legitimacy of the bill due to the fact that the NCAA has not given guidance on athletes getting compensation. There was a debate over how the bill could affect athletes' decision on where they go to school.

Stefanski reassured his colleagues the bill is purely tailored to the athlete and includes a mechanism for the athlete to use the college's logo on his or her content.

"In my opinion, this is the best athlete-tailored bill that has come across my desk, and I believe will be the standard every state follows soon," Stefanski said. "This goes back to fairness because some of these athletes, they'll never be able to maximize their earning potential without this bill."

The bill would not affect the athletes' scholarship eligibility.

OBITUARIES

Virginia "Ginger" Gray

Funeral services for Virginia "Ginger" Gray will be held Saturday, June 12, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at Rose-Neath Funeral Home Chapel in Minden, Louisiana with Rev. Jeff Ramsey and Rev. Shane DeVille officiating. Interment will follow at Gray Cemetery in Sibley, Louisiana. The family will receive friends Friday, June 11, 2021 from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. at Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden.

Ginger was born June 11, 1956 in and entered into

rest June 9, 2021 in Minden, Louisiana.

She is survived by her husband Teddy Gray of Sibley; daughter, Elizabeth Glass and husband Earl of Heflin; step-daughter, Brandi Rasberry and fiancé Brandon Moreau of LeCompte; brother, David Moreland and wife Prudy of Baton Rouge and Joe Moreland and wife Diane of Houghton and four grandchildren, Jake and Tripp Glass and Landon and Levi Rasberry.

Pallbearers will be Wayne Rolen, Mike Pruitt, Jeff Merritt, Robert Hickman, Brandon Moreau, and Earl Glass.

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OTHER OPINION

The money is there – time to drop the excuses

One wonders when the people of Louisiana will officially be tired of the ongoing discussions at the legislature over infrastructure – including drainage, roads, and bridges – and the lack of funding for those particular projects.

This year, the legislature made permanent what was supposed to be a temporary increase in the state sales tax, pushed by Gov. John Bel Edwards in his first year in office, to help balance the budget.

Indeed it did, causing a surplus in the following years and as the legislature faced it's sunset – they decided to extend the 0.45-cent increase.

Permanently. The move was part of an ongoing game of hide-and-seek between Louisiana's representatives and the quest to 'find money' for roads, bridges, and drainage infrastructure.

Meanwhile, the massive backlog that includes tens of billions of dollars in maintenance, and roughly the same amount in mega projects, continues to grow because there hasn't been any opportunity to close that gap appropriately, or efficiently.

There have been gas tax proposals, removing part of the Louisiana budget from constitutional mandate, firing the engineers at DOTD, forcing DOTD to spend a certain amount on infrastructure and capping what can be sent on planning and engineering, and so much more.

All have failed. And yet, two proposals that could possibly generate optional tax revenue have died on the vine several times due to what can only be described as some sort of 'moral high ground.' The legalization of recreational marijuana being one,

and the acceptance of large-scale toll roads being the other.

Marijuana is somewhat understandable in a state that is predominantly conservative. For decades weed has been an illegal drug, and remains so – although the legislature has reduced it to a non-felony offense, as well as reducing the fine, as long as it's under a certain weight for recreational use only.

It's also understandable from a law enforcement perspective, because those incarcerated for marijuana offenses, as well as those tickets written for small

pot amounts, are a major revenue stream for local jails and law enforcement groups.

So why can't a portion of the marijuana-based sales tax, should it be legalized, go toward law enforcement with the rest toward infrastructure? For years that's how it worked with state police, anyway, with the regular gas tax fund.

That was only recently discovered.

Consider this, Colorado legalized recreational marijuana in 2014. Since then, the industry has ballooned to over \$1 billion a year in sales in the state alone, generating \$35 million per year in tax revenue and almost 35,000 jobs.

Places like California and Washington have had similar success with legalization.

It may take longer to catch on in Louisiana, due to years of societal backlash and an expert

marketing campaign against marijuana, hemp, and other bi-products.

Toll roads, on the other hand, form a pay-as-you-go approach to infrastructure. Right now, the Causeway Bridge from the Northshore to New Orleans generates roughly \$16.5 million a year in tolls. Because it's a bridge, and a long one, there are extra expenses but once the debt service is paid the toll revenue will generate almost \$8 million a year in profit – and that's just one project.

Toll roads have been bashed due to the reasoning that they are 'discriminatory against the poor.' This makes no sense, considering toll road routes are almost always optional means of transport to arrive at a destination – it's not as if drivers will no longer have a free option.

Plus, the profits from said roads go toward other infrastructure and public transportation – a win-win for motorists who can't afford to take toll roads, but still get the benefit of upgrades and maintenance on existing thoroughfares.

Houston has perfected this art, generating nearly \$1 billion in profit from their toll roads in Harris County to fund new infrastructure projects. While the Houston area does contain almost four times the population of Louisiana, the fact remains that the Bayou State still has the I-10, -12, and -20 corridors that, utilizing loops, could generate new funds for the state.

Among other local projects. Not to mention the current governor – a democrat – has been touting the idea of toll roads since he took office.

Louisiana, consistently, has stood in it's own way due to arguments over 'morality' and the 'high road.' Yet, where has this landed the state? 50th

among all major economic categories.

Meanwhile, large countries such as Russia and Saudi Arabia are diversifying their economic portfolios away from oil and gas as quickly as they can, seeing the global move toward greener technology.

This puts Louisiana in a bind, because the state relies so heavily on the oil and gas industry for both revenue and jobs. While the Bayou State may hold on to the industry to keep supply running for parts of the U.S. and other parts of the world that may still hold onto the raw goods, the fact remains Louisiana must diversify itself if it's to fix it's problems.

Which include bad roads, bad bridges, and poor drainage infrastructure.

It's true, there's a windfall of federal dollars right now that may get drainage close to where it needs to be, but if Louisiana – and, specifically, Livingston Parish – learned anything from the recent onslaught of floods and hurricanes, it's that the work is never done.

Between all of these necessary improvements to the infrastructure in the state, which would drive economic activity, and the fact that the state can only generate so much revenue from taxes before – or if it isn't already – being a deterrent of new business, it's time for Louisiana to drop the hypocritical act of taking the 'high road' above some of these revenue opportunities.

Texas continues to lead the way with toll roads, and if they legalize recreational marijuana before Louisiana? That could spell trouble.

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OPINION

Let's do a 'Hometown Takeover' in Minden

I am a huge fan of home remodeling/restoration shows. In fact, my wife might say I'm a HGTV junkie. It was no surprise, to those that know me, how excited I became when HGTV announced a project called "Hometown Takeover."

This project featured Ben and Erin Napier, stars of "My Hometown," the hit HGTV show. A nationwide call went out to find a community where the Napiers could come in and make a real difference. There was a good grassroots effort from folks in Minden to bring "Hometown Takeover" here.

According to HGTV, there were approximately 5,000 submissions, representing 2600 towns. Ultimately, the town of Wetumpka, Ala. was chosen for the six-episode project. The finale aired this past Sunday.

As I watched the series, I saw many similarities between Wetumpka and Minden. It had charming and helpful residents, an engaged mayor, chamber of commerce direc-

tor, and main street director.

Local commerce in Wetumpka was impacted by "big box stores" in a neighboring city. While Minden has a relatively strong retail base, we still leak revenue to our neighbors to the west and east.

At a population of 8,371 (according to Census estimates,) Wetumpka is approximately two-thirds the size of Minden.

"It's too bad that small towns are so often undervalued because you can live a beautiful life in them," said Erin about why they took on the project. "People really want to believe in a bright future in the place where they live, but rebuilding a town is no small feat. It takes every member of that commu-

nity using their gifts and skills coming together to make a difference."

During one the first episodes of "Hometown Takeover," Ben and Erin decided to paint a mural on one of the walls in the downtown area. They said it would instill a sense of pride and community, setting the pace for the project to follow. I couldn't help but think of the beautiful mural that was painted recently on Murrell Street across from Minden Medical Center and Geaux Fresh. It seems Wetumpka isn't the only town that is moving forward in a positive direction.

If you look around Minden, you see many positive things happening. The old Imperial Hotel is being renovated into a new space by The Gardner Group, there is activity at the former Stage store in the Towne East Shopping Center, and local events are back, including Grilling on Main this weekend.

If you haven't watched "Hometown Takeover," I en-

courage you to do so. However, don't merely watch it for the entertainment value. Allow these six episodes to be inspiration and motivation for you to do your part to move Minden forward. We all have skills, resources and abilities we can use for the greater good of our community. If we pool those things, we can really make a difference.

Ben, Erin, and all the HGTV stars that participated in "Hometown Takeover" said they hoped the show would spark a nationwide movement to improve smaller communities. I agree with them.

Improving any community takes more than a fresh coat of paint. That being said, we all have to start somewhere.

Minden is well on its way to bigger and better things. Let's keep the ball rolling.

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STORIES FROM THE BACK PORCH

Arrows, songs and words

One of my favorite poems is one by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. It is simple, but packed so full of truths. Truths that are so meaningful in today's society.

I shot an Arrow into the air

"I shot an Arrow into the air;
It fell to earth I know not where
For so swiftly it flew, the sight
Could not follow it in its flight.

"I breath'd a Song into the air
It fell to earth, I know not where.
For who has sight so keen and strong
That It can follow the flight of a Song.

"Long, long afterward
in an oak
I found the Arrow still unbroke;
And the Song from beginning to end
I found again in the heart of a friend."

This swift travels of the arrow and song remind me of the utterance of words, kind and unkind. We never know where they may fall. And we never know how they will affect the hearer.

In the past, people were more reluctant to express viewpoints that might have been downgrading or hurtful for others. But not anymore.

While Facebook may have been intended for good, a place to share pictures and greetings to friends, it seems to have become a place for condemning those who have different views and beliefs. There is cursing, name calling, criticizing and all manner of unkind words shared every day. Opinions may be expressed and without a doubt there are many who will disagree, but not in a kind manner.

The adage, agree to



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disagree, doesn't count for much in today's society. There is such a thing as disagreeing in an agreeable manner, but there seems to be more of the disagreeing in a disagreeable manner.

Hurtful words can be uttered, and like Wadsworth's Arrow, we don't know how far they can fall. How many people will they touch before they finally drop from the air? How many hearts can be broken or damaged by those careless words?

We may never know how many people were hurt by those words so carelessly uttered. It might be that the printed word is interpreted differently by the writer and the reader.

Was he being informative or were his words meant to be degrading? It could be that one reader could laugh it off, while another might think it was pointed directly at

him, and feel humiliated by it..

And, we can also consider the opposite, where kind words are released into the air, or onto the page as the case may be.

We will never know how many hearts were cheered by a kind word. How many hearts were breaking and needing an uplifting word?

We should all be making more of an effort to guard our thoughts and thus our tongues. Don't release those hurtful words into the air. They may travel far and wide and damage hundreds of souls before they come to rest.

Let them be like a Song. A song that travels untold miles, touching everyone in its path.

Let it be a beautiful song that can later be found in the hearts of friends.

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SPORTSMAN LIFE

Louisiana hunting, fishing license fee hikes win passage

Louisiana hunting and fishing license charges will rise next year across an array of commercial and recreational categories, under a bill that lawmakers sent to the governor Tuesday to help shore up the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries' budget.

A 78-20 House vote gave final passage to the bill by Republican Rep. Tony Bacala, reversing course from two years earlier when lawmakers in the chamber blocked a similar proposal. The Senate unanimously backed the measure Monday. Democratic Gov. John Bel Edwards is expected to sign it into law.

The fee hikes and license restructuring will raise nearly \$17 million for the agency in the budget year that starts in mid-2022 and will grow to about \$19 million in later years, according to a nonpartisan financial analysis of the bill. The increased license charges begin in July 2022 for recreational license holders. They'll start in January 2022 for commercial license holders, but will be phased in through 2024.

The bill also will restructure the licenses, in an effort to streamline the complex system and lessen the number of licenses required for people who hunt and fish across multiple categories. For example, the cost of a basic fishing license will grow from \$9.50 to \$17, but it will now cover activities that once involved eight different recreational licenses for crab traps, crawfish traps and other types of fishing.

Opponents worried about the price hikes, particularly on the state's commercial fishing industries. Supporters said the bill will keep the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries financed largely by fees from those who hunt and fish and use the agencies' services and programs, rather than relying primarily on general state tax dollars.

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PHILANTHROPY LIFE

Epsilon Rho Chapter Donates Water to Senior Citizens



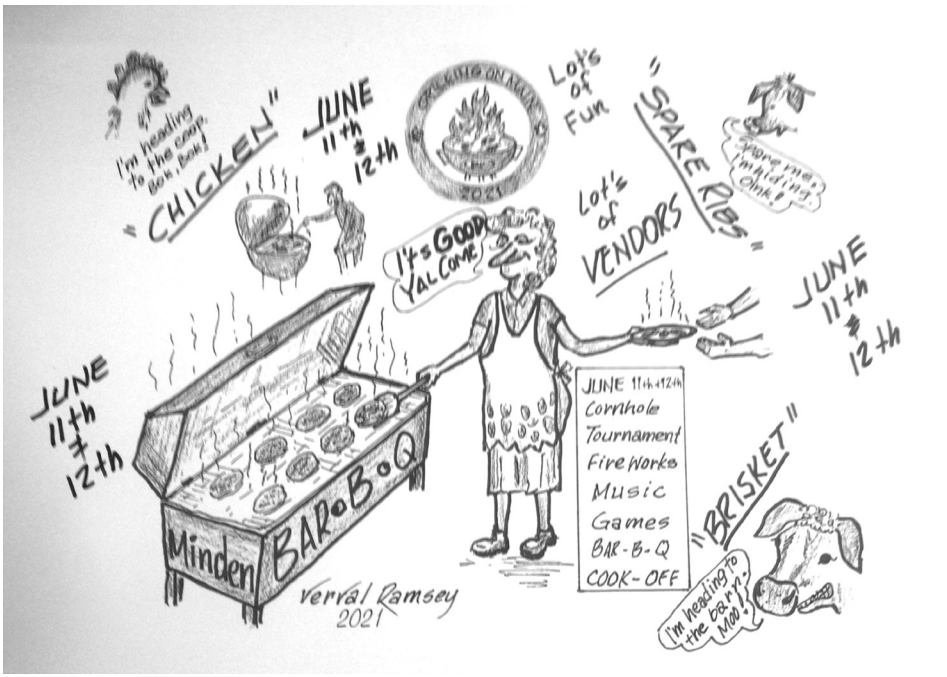
On Saturday, May 29, 2021, Epsilon Rho Chapter of the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Inc. held "Stay Safe: Hydrate" community service event focused on helping senior citizens to staying healthy in the summer heat. The chapter donated cases of water to local senior citizens. Almost 50 cases were donated to the Savannah Court Assisted Living facility and other local senior citizens.

According to a 2015 study in the Journal of Gerontology Nursing, between 20 to 30 percent of senior citizens are chronically dehydrated.

Epsilon Rho Chapter is committed to supporting its local community through service projects such as Sick Cell Anemia can shake, Susan B. Komen foundation, donations to local schools, mentoring local youth, and nursing homes. The Epsilon Rho

Chapter also collects funds for local, regional, and national scholarships.

The National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Inc. is a professional organization of women in the field of education. For more information on the sorority, visit its national webpage at NSP-DK.ORG or contact a local member of the Epsilon Rho Chapter.



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AROUND TOWN

UCAP Needs for Week of June 7:

Food: lunch meat, biscuit mix, cornbread mix

Clothing: men's socks

Toiletries: toothbrushes & toothpaste, shampoo, deodorant

UCAP is open Wednesdays and Fridays from 10:00 to 1:00 for food, utility and rent assistance. We give out clothing on Wednesdays only.

Thanks to the community for your support!

First Baptist Ultimate Basketball Camp

First Baptist will be hosting their Ultimate Basketball Camp starting June 13. This is a Christ-centered basketball camp for students grades 1-6. The cost is \$50 per student, which includes a t-shirt, instruction, and snacks. Registration and medical release forms are available at the church office. For more information, call 377-4434.

Grilling on Main 2021

Minden's annual Grilling on Main event will be making it's return this year the weekend of June 11-12. Grillers who wish to participate can register by getting form from City Hall, or by visiting their website at www.grillingonmain.com. New this year will also be a Little Grillers competition where aspiring grillers ages 16-18 can participate. There will be a public tasting as well, so everyone can get in on the sizzling meats that are soon to fill the streets of Downtown Minden.

Northwest Louisiana Master Gardeners Class Registration

Classes will be held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. every Thursday for 10 weeks, starting July 1, 2021. Attendance at all classes is required for certification. There is a \$150 registration fee, which covers the cost of training manuals, publications and supplies for the class. Class size is limited, and the registration deadline is June 1, 2021.

Call 318-927-3110 or 318-371-1371, to request an application, or download one at www.phlmg.com (Programs and follow the links). Applications may also be picked

up at either Claiborne and Webster Extension Offices.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Everyone wants to have better health. Most people just don't know how to get there. First things first — you have to decide what you are wanting to accomplish. What does "being healthy" look like to you? At first, for me, it was all about the scale. Now I am at the next phase and I want to be fit.

I say that being healthy all begins with the fork. If you can master what goes into your mouth, you can master losing weight. No matter what diet you do, if you do it 100%, it works. Most people can do a health plan until they lose the desired weight. The key to long-term success is what you do after you reach your goal.

I feel if you start with macro habits. Macro Habits are choices that

are essential for mastering that area of transformation. Once you get these down, the habits of health actions that support you will help you reach your desired outcome. I'll explain more about macro habits in future columns.

Some people can start small to change their lifestyle. I could not. I had to jump all in. I focused on fueling my body instead of merely feeding it, and the outcome was amazing. The first step is to eat smaller portions at mealtime. We all know, when we go out to eat, they give us way too much food. We could take half of the food they give us and put it in a to-

go box for another meal. Maybe your first step is to control your environment and not go out to eat as much. This could be a win-win for you — you save money and can

control what goes into your mouth.

My husband and I had to do this for about a month when we started changing our habits. We were not strong enough to eat at some restaurants and manage things at first.

Another step is to drink water before and during your meal. It does help you feel fuller faster.

Making changes can be hard, I get it. I am a food addict and I love food.



TINA SPECHT

It Starts With the First Step

Strawberry Feta Salad Recipe

Ingredients:

- 4 cups Spinach
- 1 T Extra Virgin Olive Oil
- 2 T Balsamic Vinegar
- 1/8 t Black Pepper
- 2 cups Strawberries, sliced
- 1 cup Walnuts
- 1/2 cup Feta Cheese

Instructions:

Put spinach, olive oil, balsamic vinegar and pepper in a large salad bowl. Toss to combine.

Add strawberries and walnuts. Toss again.

Add feta and toss gently.

BUSINESS LIFE

T & J Country Store

A little over a month ago, a new business popped up at 1435 Middle Road, slightly off of Old Arcadia Road, called T & J Country Store. Owned by Tracey Weston, this little country store aims to meet the needs of the local community who may not want to drive all the way into town in order to get what they need.

"This is a small, community store for this area. I just felt like there was a need for it right here. I'm trying to offer some things this community would want," said Weston.

"I was raised not too far away on Highway 80, and we had a little country store we walked to. It was a mile and a half, but we walked there just about every day in the summertime."

Weston wanted to bring something like the country store he visited in his youth to the area, stating that he saw a need for it. More than simply offering snacks and refreshments,

Weston is also developing the store to handle the community's other needs as well, including hunting/fishing licenses, supplying fishing bait, becoming a drop of point for packages, and more.

"We're in the process of trying to become a UPS, FedEx or Amazon stop. We're trying to get set up to where we can become a drop off spot. There are a lot of porch pirates on the rise, so this would be a safe alternative for that instead of leaving it at their house," said Weston.

He also spoke of his commitment to customer service, taking time to make sure every customer feels welcome. He also asks customers if there's anything they would like him to stock that they don't have available to try and cater more directly to them.

"We love to see smiling faces, we love to see satisfied customers," said Weston. "If you give us a try and our customer ser-

vice doesn't impress you, then we haven't done our job. Our customer service is great, we pride ourselves on it."

Perhaps the best example of this superb customer service is that of a customer who desired some fresh produce. At the time, the store carried a few fruits, but not a selection that included the squash or tomatoes the customer desired.

Now, every Thursday, Weston makes sure to pick up Squash and Tomatoes before heading to work so that she can now pick them up every Friday.

"We've made a lot of friends, just through our customer service and being nice to people. That just comes naturally because that's who we are," said Weston.

"We're going to do our thing here and make the most out of this. And in the process we're making a lot of friends, meeting a whole lot of new people."



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STRANGER FROM A STRANGE LAND

I enjoyed the Cydni’s School of Dance annual dance recital at Bossier City Airline High last month. The Minden studio always treats the audience with splendid costumes and talented young dancers like my granddaughter Harleigh. Her brother Maddox was less tempted by the spectacle and spent most of the evening pecking on his handheld electronic game.

I was a teen when video games made their initial incursion into our society. There was Pong featuring rectangles as tennis rackets scooting along a Y axis to bat a floating square representing a tennis ball. You could play singles or doubles. Atari spawned games increasing in complexity yet keeping the simple polygon motif representing tank battles and outer space battles with asteroids.

The graphics grew more sophisticated as the arcades transitioned from pinball machines to Galaga (nee Galaxian), Donkey Kong, and Pac-Man. The yellow animated circle gobbling dots was so tempting a pastime in 1981 my stepdaughter Amanda’s dad missed her birth because he left the delivery room to play. I saw my first Pac-Man machine the same month in faraway Raytown, Missouri. We stopped at Funhouse Pizza on our way to a Kansas City Royals baseball game. Reluctant to embrace the new decade, I was stuck in the 1970s with my preference for pinball and foosball.

The toys of my childhood were objects of desire and acquisition but required interac-

tion with others and not just a screen. G.I. Joe in his years before Kung Fu grip had a trigger pointing plastic right hand and a left for grasping. The hard plastic paws were not malleable. Hasbro next added Kung Fu grip rubber hands. This was an improvement until the fingers bent and split off from frequent use. Then it was just Kung Fu thumb. And Joe’s lifelike hair started falling out in clumps. The doll had things to be self-conscious about besides his trademark cheek scar.

The Apollo moon missions fostered astronaut toy popularity. G.I. Joe went to space with a single doll capsule. My favorite action figure was Major Matt Mason. He and his men had a moon base they called a space station. And there was a cool alien with a transparent green head named Callisto. He fired a shoulder mounted ray gun. The ray was a retractable yellow string.

Metal Matchbox cars were charming and represented working trucks and vehicles. But they weren’t as fast or sleek as Hot Wheels from Mattel. The orange track pieces for Hot Wheels cars were assembled together in different configurations, usually a steep slope to gain speed enough to navigate track curled in a loop. They were popular but dependent on gravity until Hot Wheels introduced the Sizzlers you fueled up with a battery charge. They sped around a circle course like slot cars. Sizzlers used the same orange track as Hot Wheels. It hurt

when kids whipped you across the back with that bendy plastic.

Incredible Edibles and Sooper Gooper ovens cooked up creepy crawlies on a dangerous hot plate. It was like giving children a waffle iron

to play with. Giant lawn darts called Jarts were the quintessential danger accessory of my youth.

As were the original Clackers when the spheres on a string you banged together were made of dense glass.

The Kenner Give-A-Show projector let kids project silent cartoons. View-Master offered 3-dimensional stills from popular shows. We could view stereoscopic images like our ancestors in their parlors. The VertiBird was a tethered helicopter that hovered in circles and let you test your skills rescuing a plastic man with a dangling hook. Silly Putty was a rubbery substance you rolled compactly into a sphere and bounced like a poor man’s super ball. You could press it flat against the newspaper comics and lift off a mirror image of Dagwood Bumstead, Dick Tracy, or Charlie Brown.

The oddest toy was Stretch Armstrong. The blonde doll was dressed in pro wrestler short trunks and you could stretch his arms and legs to freakish proportions. He was like a scantily clad Reed Richards of the Fantastic Four. Once a leg or arm split and began leaking red goo, Stretch was no longer fun to stretch. Even after attempted repair with the patch kit, the toy was



DIRK ELLINGSON

never really the same.

American football offered American kids compelling toy versions. Electric football was a hassle to set up. The vibrating board made the little plastic men on metal stands move about. You could hook the arms of players and have a square dance. The best sets had NFL team uniforms. Mine featured an orange team and a green team. I painted them to resemble the Kansas City Chiefs and Los Angeles Rams with Testors model paint. But the plastic bent and the paint cracked off, particularly on the players knees. So, I ordered a division of NFL teams to play on my generic board.

Super Toe was a plastic football kicker you hit on the head and his foot kicked a colossal football through goal posts set up across the room. Super Touch the basketball version was more challenging.

Mattel’s Talking Football offered aspiring coaches a finite amount of gridiron adventure. You placed a small record in a portable player. First one player picked an offensive play record. Then the second player spun the other side of the record to a defense. Neither could see his opponent’s selection. The most crushing (to offense) and most exciting (to defense) playback announced, “A leaping interception! He’s going to go all the way! Touchdown!”

The first handheld game of great popularity was Mattel’s Electronic Football. School kids were scolded for furtively playing the game. It beeped loudly so it really wasn’t furtive. I have the basketball

version, its simple red blip graphics still beeping 43 years later as long as I put in a fresh 9-volt battery. It kept me occupied but I was never obsessed.

There was a shoot ‘em up game on Apple computers I played thirty years ago that was a brief adult addiction. I don’t remember the name but one day I played so many hours I dreamed of the images at night. I knew that was a problem.

My daughter Claire had a SEGA console. Cartridges included a major league baseball game. After playing the entire Kansas City Royals 162 games season over a few months, I grew so skilled I could coast into the playoffs contrary to the actual 1993 season. In my SEGA World Series it wasn’t the Toronto Blue Jays defeating the Philadelphia Phillies on a Joe Carter home run but rather the SEGA universe Royals beating the Pittsburgh Pirates in my basement.

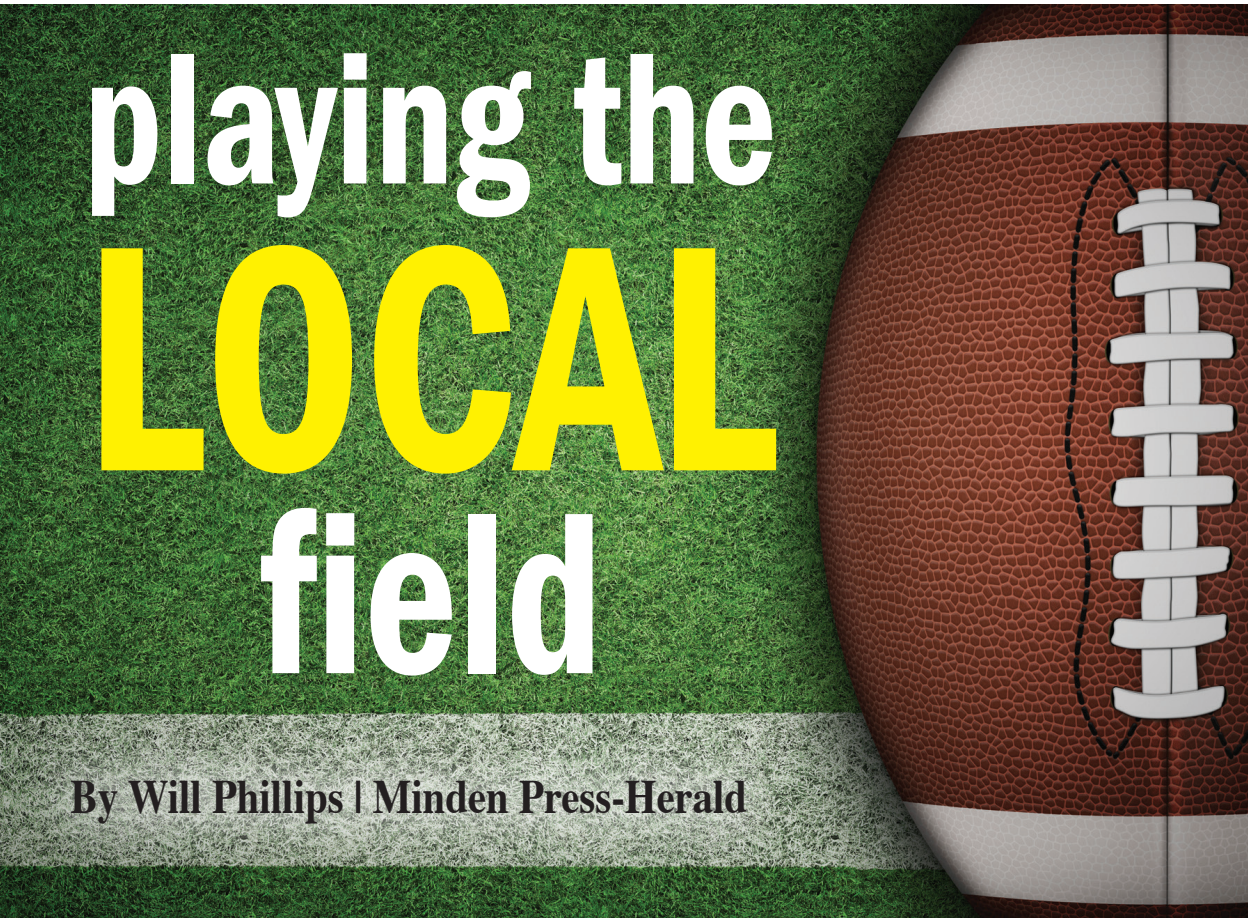
During the May dance recital, Maddox finally looked up from his game during the Walt Disney film Moana song We Know the Way. He launched into a spirited arm dance, as animated as one can be while staying seated. It was my favorite of the night too, as much for the girls on the stage performance as the boy sitting next to me. For his sister Harleigh and friend Presley, Maddox was finally willing to pause his game.

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SPORTS

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PREP FOOTBALL



By Will Phillips | Minden Press-Herald

Glenbrook to face LHSAA competition this year

After being in the Midsouth Association of Independent Schools for years, Glenbrook School will be joining the Louisiana High School Athletic Association. This will greatly change the sports teams that Glenbrook plays against, as well as make it easier for them to travel to games.

“There’s been some sentiment for a while amongst the Glenbrook family, but it recently got to the point where we just about had to make a move, because several of the schools around us have gone down to eight man football,” said David Feaster, Glenbrook’s Athletic Director.

“So for instance this year, we had one home game in the regular sea-



son. All of our travel time was three hours or over. Just because there’s not very many teams left around here to play. That was probably the deciding factor amongst us.”

This change will allow Glenbrook to greatly reduce the distance they need to travel to games, as well as providing more familiar teams to play against.

“If I would’ve shown our typical Glenbrook fans our football sched-

ule at the beginning of last year, they wouldn’t have recognized hardly anybody on the schedule, much less look forward to seeing us play against them. So now we go into the LHSAA and we play schools that are all around like Ringgold, Arcadia, Homer, and Haynesville, which are right down the road,” said Coach Feaster.

So I think It’s going to be a great move for us as far as travel goes and safety with our kids and the busses and competition-wise too. I think the competition will be a little bit greater, and we’re going to have to rise up to the challenge, but we look forward to developing some good friendly rivalries with some local schools around here.”

PREP SPORTS

Soccer is coming to Lakeside Jr. High

JOSH BEAVERS
Special to the Minden Press-Herald

Lakeside is joining the growing list of area schools that offer soccer to students.

With the start of the new school year, Lakeside will field inaugural teams for both junior high boys and girls. High school teams will come at a later date. The Webster Parish School Board approved the creation during Monday night’s monthly board meeting.

Coach Eric Smith, who also serves as a math teacher, will oversee the programs. He is also the school’s cross country coach.



COURTESY PHOTO
Eric Smith is the junior high soccer coach at Lakeside. A math teacher, Smith also serves as the cross country coach.

“Soccer has really grown in popularity,” Smith told us. “No experience is necessary. We want this to take off and be a very popular sport at our school.”

And the response so far? “Excellent,” he said.

As of The last day of school, more than 40 students had signed up for tryouts, and Smith said he expects more.

Principal Denny Finley is hopeful the soccer program will grow and thrive and soon spread to the high schoolers. Expansion of the sports programs and student organizations has been one his priorities since becoming principal more than five years ago.

“Every student should

have an extracurricular activity they want to participate in,” Finley told us. “School is more than class. School is about friends and memories and helping young people find positive things that interest them.”

Finley is proud that the school has such excellent teachers who want to give these kids experiences that go beyond science, reading, and math.

“Every time you see a sport or event, there is a teacher behind that giving up time away from family in order to help our students,” he said. “We have new clubs and more in the planning. It’s always a great day to be a Warrior.”



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GOOD NEWS

IMITATING GOD: LIVING THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

In Paul’s epistle to the Ephesians, he challenges these new believers to leave their old lifestyle they to which they were accustomed and embrace the “limitless love of Jesus Christ.” Coming from an empty-hearted past of serving pagan gods, involving scores of temple prostitutes and exposed to many other immoral behaviors. Paul presents to them ‘the new life in Christ’ and how they are to behave, especially within the fellowship of believers.

He had established this church on his second missionary journey through the region. Ephesus was a large, busy city. Its location made it a crossroads to the Middle East. A city port in western Turkey, Ephesus was a thriving trade center. Both Roman and Greek armies had marched through the area on their way to conquer lands beyond. Merchant ships, too, brought goods from foreign ports. Add to this the ‘loose-moral religious practices,’ it is easy to see the challenge the young church had in order to thrive as Paul de-

sired. But he had faith in them and believed in the power of the Holy Spirit to work in their hearts (both Jewish and Gentiles) to create unity within the fellowship. He was willing to make every effort to pull them together and teach them how to work under the new covenant relationship to glorify and honor God through the Lord Jesus Christ. We can see early on in reading this important letter why this letter has been referred to as “Queen of Epistles.”

In Chapters 4 & 5, there is a rich list of character behaviors (physical, mental and spiritual) Paul addressed that must be changed under the leadership of the Holy Spirit. He presents a glorious picture of the Church and points out how Christ established the Church to be his Bride on earth. William Barkley states: “Christ needs the Church to go out and tell every one of His love,

mercy and grace. But the Church cannot do this all, until its members, joined together in fellowship, love and unity, experiencing this limitless love of Christ and what He has done for us on Calvary.”

Paul lays out a theology and some precepts on how this unity is to be achieved in the Church. (4: 1-7) “I urge you to live a life worthy of the wonderful blessings you have received. Honor God in all you do. Be humble and gentle, patient and kind with each other. Make allowances for the faults of others. Keep the unity of the Spirit at all cost! There is but one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism...and we all have the one God and Father who is over all and in us all.”

(4:17-28) Paul urges these new converts to “live no longer as the unsaved around you do. You are different. It was Christ that drew you into this relationship, teaching you to put off your old evil na-

ture and embrace the new garments that He supplies. He changes every aspect of our being: you are to have new thoughts, attitudes, actions, mind set; also, we are to treat others as we desire to be treated. Stop telling lies, do not sin when you are angry, and clear all differences before the day is over. Stop stealing if you are guilty, work with your own hands so you can help those in need. You are Children of Light, so clean up your act, guard your emotions and allow Christ to be your Guide and follow Him.”

In Eph 4:29-32, Paul continues: “Watch what you say, encourage and build them up, be careful not to grieve the Holy Spirit; stop being mean; get rid of bitterness, anger, slander and malice. Forgive each other just

as God has forgiven you.” (5:1-2) “Be imitators of God and live for Christ. Be full of love for others, following Jesus’ example of loving you and giving himself to God as a sacrifice, taking away your sin.” (5: 8-13) “Steer clear of immoral folks around who will try hard to tempt you to join them. Remember, you are Children of Light! Once you walked in darkness as they do, but you are now a Child of God. This kind of living results in goodness, righteousness and truth. Above all else, follow Christ’s example.”

(5:15-21) Be careful how you act and live; make the most of all opportunities that come your way. Don’t do foolish things, but seek the will of our Father. Don’t get drunk on wine, which leads to all sorts of de-

bauchery, but be FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT AND BE CONTROLLED BY HIM. Talk to each other in love and let the psalms, hymns and spiritual songs speak to your heart continually. “

These are just a sampling of some of Paul’s admonition to his friends. We would do well to read the entire epistle to get in the spirit of what Paul is conveying to them. However, every one of these references ‘to-do-good’ is relevant to us today as we interact with others in the church. Ponder how it would be if our supreme goal would be to ‘protect the unity of the church’ in all we say, do or think! This is truly living the Christian life in today’s world.

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Bill Crider

THE UPWARD LOOK

Saved: Faith - Believe

“For by grace you have been saved through faith” Ephesians 2:8a “that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved;” Romans 10:9 NASB



Max Hutto

A saving faith is more than a superficial acknowledgment or response to the gospel. Saving faith includes a response to God’s revealed Word by confessing that Jesus is Lord with an absolute reliance upon God’s grace. It is an experiential personal re-

lationship that includes a reverential fear and awe of God that results in a life-changing repentance from a sinful life to a life totally committed and submissive to God in Christ.

Lord Jesus, I believe You died and rose again, paying for my sin and providing eternal life. I surrender my all to You and yearn to live out my faith in Your

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Ministry

Every Christian should have a ministry. Some are called to be pastors. Some to be Doctors and to whatever God calls them to be. I think my ministry is making Jesus plaques, which I love to do. I’ve made hundreds.

I give Mr. Crider, the hospital chaplain, several each week to give to patients. I want them to know that Jesus is in the room with them. I also tell people that Satan is like a roaring lion,

seeking those he can destroy. I also tell them that King Jesus pulled his teeth.

I usually carry some Jesus plaques in my truck. If you see me in town, I’ll give you one.

Thank you Lord Jesus. Come soon.



Mack Ford

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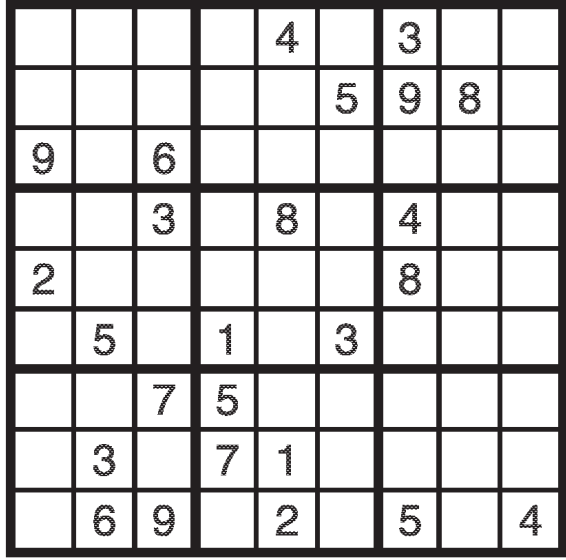
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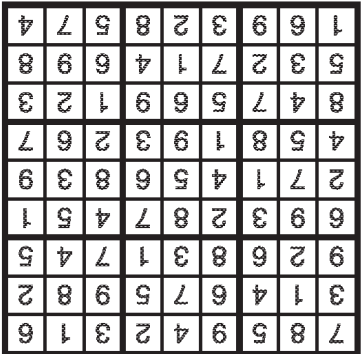
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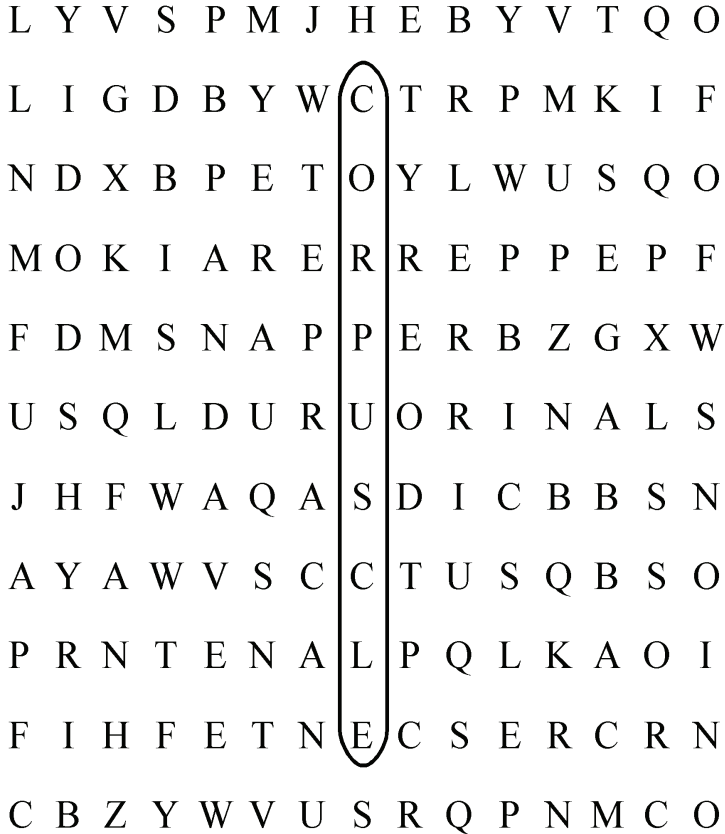
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Fun By The Numbers

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Thursday's unlisted clue: HARVARD

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Friday's unlisted clue hint: SLY LIKE A —

Cabbage	Cross	Pepper	Snapper
Carpet	Dwarf	Planet	Square
Corpuscle	Onions	Ribbon	Squirrel
Crescent	Panda	Salmon	

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HISTORY

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people die in the Le Mans car race disaster

In one of history's worst car racing accidents, Pierre Levegh's Mercedes crashed into a crowd of spectators and burst into flames.

1938 China launches the 1938 Yellow River flood

In what Steven Dutch, a Professor at the University of Wisconsin, called "the world's largest act of environmental warfare in history", the Chinese government created the flood to halt invading Japanese forces.

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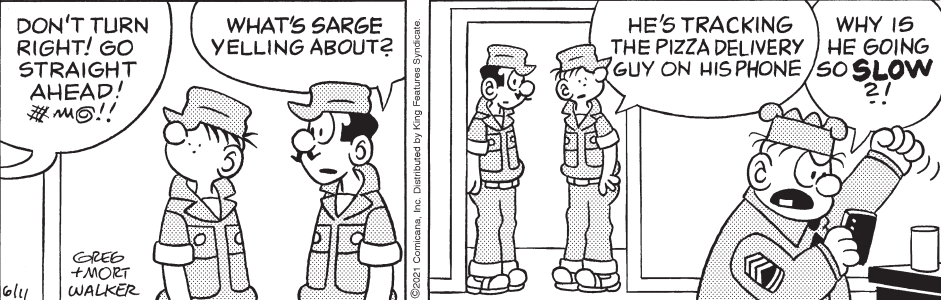
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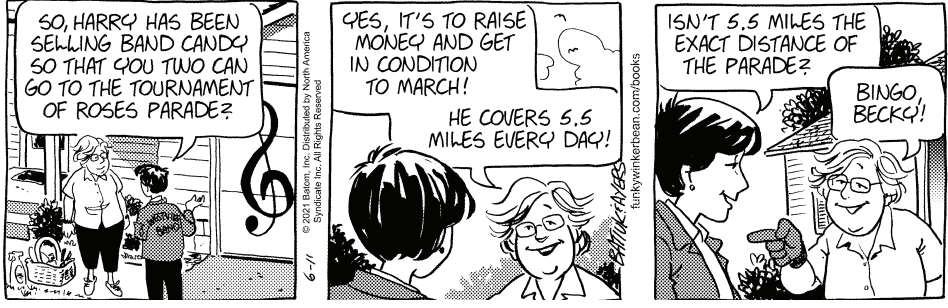
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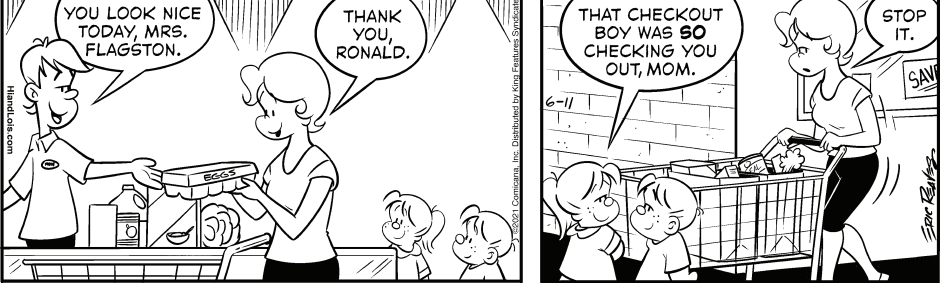
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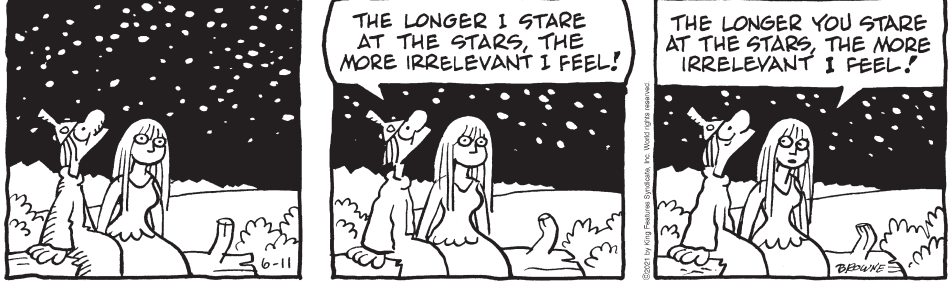
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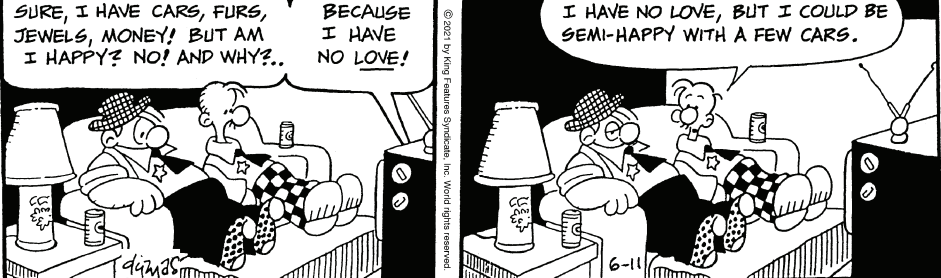
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CORP.
VS.
ERIC C. SIMMONS
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MONS**

In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. CV79141.

By virtue of a WRIT OF SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, in the above styled and numbered suit and to me directed, I have seized and taken into my possession and will offer for sale at public auction to the last and highest bidder for cash WITHOUT the benefit of appraisal and according to law at the principal front door of the Courthouse in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana on WEDNESDAY, June 16, 2021, During the legal sale hours, the following property, to wit:

Begin at the NE corner of the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 8, T23N, R10W, Webster Parish, Louisiana, and run S 0° 10'E 900 feet to the point of beginning; thence run W 608.9 feet; thence run S 377.7 feet to the N right-of-way of Springhill to Shongaloo Highway; thence run S 88° 43'E along said right-of-way 190 feet; thence run N 220 feet; thence run E 200 feet; thence run S 223.5 feet to the said right-of-way; thence run Easterly along curve in the said right-of-way to the E line of said forty a distance of 220.9 feet; thence run N 0° 10' W 414.3 feet to the point of beginning.

Also Begin at the NE corner of the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 8, T23N, R10W, Webster Parish, Louisiana, and run S 0° 10' E 1062 feet; thence run W 219.4 feet to the point of beginning; thence continue W 200 feet; thence S 220 feet to the N right-of-way of the Springhill to Shongaloo Highway; thence run S 89° 00' E along said right-of-way 200 feet; thence run N 223.5 feet to the point of beginning, together with all rights thereto belonging. Which has the address of 24130 Highway 157, Springhill, LA 71075.

SOLD SUBJECT TO ANY SUPERIOR LIENS, MORTGAGES OR PRIVILEGES THERETO.

Said property seized is that of the defendant and will be sold to satisfy a judgment rendered in our Honorable Court.

JASON R. PARKER
Sheriff & Ex-Officio
Auctioneer
Webster Parish,
Louisiana

Linda Vaughan -
Deputy

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Owner

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City, State, Zip

Separate sealed BIDS for the construction of **PEACHTREE ROAD BRIDGE**

will be received by the **WEBSTER PARISH POLICE JURY** at the 401 Main Street, West Entrance, Minden LA 71055 (Bids will be received in the Lobby) until **2:00 PM Thursday, July 1, 2021**, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud as permitted by public bid law. This is in accordance with La R.S. 38:2212 (A)(1)(b), the provisions of La R.S. 38:2212.

The **CONTRACT DOCUMENTS** may be examined at the following location(s): Cothren Graff Smoak Engineering, Inc., 6305 Westport Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71129.

Copies of the **CONTRACT DOCUMENTS** may be obtained at the office of COTHREN, GRAFF, SMOAK ENGINEERING, INC. upon payment of \$ 35.00 for each set, which is refundable to prime bidders within 10 days after receipt of bids. Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids for just cause.

**June 4, 2021
June 11, 2021
June 18, 2021
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Gilgal Water System, Inc.
Public Water Supply ID: 1119034

The Water We Drink

We are pleased to present to you the Annual Water Quality Report for the year 2020. This report is designed to inform you about the quality of your water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the

efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. Our water sources are: Well #3 & #4 on Sanders Rd. in Claiborne Parish and Well #5 on Backwoods Rd. in Claiborne Parish. The source for the water in the above wells is ground water.

The sources of drinking water, both tap water and bottled water, include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of land and through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

Microbial Contaminants – such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

Inorganic Contaminants – such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

Pesticides and Herbicides – which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.

Organic Chemical Contaminants – including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

Radioactive Contaminants – which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Gilgal Water System has a Source Water Assessment Plan (SWAP). This plan is an assessment of a delineated area around our listed well sites through which contaminants, if present, could migrate and reach our source water. It also includes an inventory of potential sources of contamination within the delineated area, and a determination of the water supply's susceptibility to contamination by the identified potential sources. According to the Source Water

Assessment Plan, Gilgal has a susceptibility rating of 'MED-IUM'. You may review this plan if you like. Just contact our office with your request.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits of contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

We want our customers to be informed about their water utility. If you have any questions about this report, want to attend any scheduled meetings, or simply want to learn more about your drinking water, please contact, Terry Sanders @ 318-371-9488.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Gilgal Water System is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to two minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

The Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals-Office of Public Health routinely monitors for constituents in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The tables that follow show the results of our monitoring during the period of January 1 to December 31, 2020. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate the water poses a health risk.

In the tables below, you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand

these terms, we've provided the following definitions:

Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/L)-one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter (ug/L)-one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L)-picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Treatment Technique (TT)-an enforceable procedure or level of technological performance which public water systems must follow to ensure control of a contaminant. Action level(AL)-the concentration of a contaminant that, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

Maximum contaminant level (MCL)-the "Maximum Allowed" MCL is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCL's are set as close to the MCLG's as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum contaminant level goal (MCLG)-the "Goal" is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to human health. MCLG's allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum residual disinfectant level (MRDL)-the highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum residual disinfection level goal (MRDLG)-the level of drinking water disinfectant blow which there is no known or expected risk to health.

MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants. Level 1 assessment – A study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.

Level 2 assessment – A very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

No violations occurred in the calendar year 2020

Our water system tested a minimum of 2 samples per month in accordance with the Total Coliform Rule for microbiological contaminants. With the microbiological samples collected, the water system collects disinfectant residuals to ensure control of microbial growth.

Disinfectant - Chlorine
Date - 2020
Highest RAA - 0.9
Unit - ppm
Range - .024 - 1.74

MRDL - 4
MRDLG - 4
Typical Source - Water additive used to control microbes

Regulated contaminants that were detected follow. Chemical Sampling of our drinking water may not be required on an annual basis, therefore, information provided refers back to the latest year of chemical sampling results. To determine compliance with the primary drinking water standards, the treated water is monitored when a contaminant is elevated in the source water.

Source Water Regulated Contaminants - FLORIDE, Collection Date, 8/6/2020, Highest Value 0.1, Range 0.1, Unit-ppm, MCL 4, MCLG 4, Typical Source is erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories

Treated Water Regulated Contaminants – No Detected Results were found in the Calendar year 2020.

Source Water Radiological Contaminants – No Detected Results were found in Calendar Year 2020.

Lead & Copper, Copper Free, date 2018 - 2020, 90th Percentile-0.2; Range-0 - 0.3; Unit-ppm; AL-1.3; sites Over AL-0, typical source is corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits, leaching from wood preservatives

Disinfection Byproducts:
Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5), sample point, Fincher Creek@Harris Rd, Period-2020; Highest LRAA-3; Range-2.9-2.9; Unit ppb; MCL-60; MCLG-0, typical source is by-product of drinking water disinfection.

Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5), sample point, Hwy 80@ Beck Curve Rd, Period-2020; Highest LRAA-4; Range-4.2-4.2; Unit-ppb; MCL-60; MCLG-0, typical source is by-product of drinking water disinfection.

infection. **TTHM**, sample point Fincher Creek @Harris Rd, Period-2020; Highest LRAA-11; Range-10.7 - 10.7; Unit-ppb; MCL-80; MCLG-0, typical source is by-product of drinking water chlorination.

TTHM, sample point Hwy 80@ Beck Curve Rd, Period-2020; Highest LRAA-19; Range-18.6 - 18.6; Unit-ppb; MCL-80; MCLG-0, typical source is by-product of drinking water chlorination.

Secondary Contaminants:
Aluminum, Collection date-8/3/2020, Highest Value-0.01, Range 0 - .01, Unit, MG/L, SMCL, .05 Chloride, Collection date-8/6/2020; Highest Value-16; Range-0 - 16; Unit-MG/L; SMCL-250 Iron, Collection date- 8/3/2020; Highest Value-0.05, Range-0.0.05, Unit-MG/L; SMCL-0.3 PH, Collection date - 8/6/2020; Highest Value-8.6; Range-7.73-8.6; Unit-PH; SMCL-8.5 Treated Secondary Contaminants – No Detected Results were found in the Calendar Year 2020.

Environmental Protection Agency Required Health Effects Language

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons, such as, persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Additional Required Health Effects Language

Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially-harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.

There are no additional required health effects violation notices.

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Thank you for allowing us to continue providing your family with clean, quality water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply we

sometimes need to make improvements that will benefit all of our customers. Gilgal Water System works around the clock to provide top quality drinking water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect and conserve our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life, and our children's future. Please call our office if you have questions.

Gilgal Water System, Inc.,
P O Box 544
Minden, LA 71058-0544
318-299-2188
(message phone only)

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PUBLIC NOTICE

In accordance with federal regulations, the Webster Police Jury Office of Community Services, Section 8 housing Authority for Webster Parish will begin accepting pre-applications for rental assisted housing and / or placement on the waiting list for such housing.

Pre-applications packets can be picked up beginning June 21, 2021 during business hours, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm.

WE WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTING THE FIRST 100 APPLICATIONS

Applications will be accepted on Wednesday July 7, 2021 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm and then from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the Minden office. The waiting list will close on Wednesday, July 7, 2021 at 4:00 pm or when 100 applications are received. Whichever comes first.

No pre-application packets will be accepted at any time other than the date and times listed above.

Persons desiring to apply for rental assistance may obtain pre-application packets from the location listed below:

Webster Parish Police Jury Office of Community Services
208 Gleason Street
Minden, LA 71055

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE TURNED IN AT WEBSTER PARISH OFFICE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES LOCATED AT 208 GLEASON STREET MINDEN, LA ON THE SPECIFIED DATE AND TIMES GIVEN

Equal Opportunity Housing/Employer/Program/Provider Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF MINDEN, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN IN REGULAR SESSION HELD ON JUNE 7, 2021.

The Minden City Council met at City Hall, Minden, Louisiana, beginning at 5:30 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Terry Gardner, Wayne Edwards, Terika Williams-Walker, Vincen Bradford, Michael Roy and Pam Bloxom. Absent: None. Mayor Gardner welcomed everyone to the meeting. It is noted for the record that Mayor Terry Gardner allowed both council and public comments prior to every vote.

Prayer was offered by Terika Williams-Walker and Vincen Bradford led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon motion by Wayne Edwards and duly seconded by Michael Roy, the council adopted the minutes of Council Regular Session held on May 3, 2021, as presented, by the following vote: Ayes: Wayne Edwards, Michael Roy and Pam Bloxom. Nays: Vincen Bradford and Terika Williams-Walker. Absent: None. Abstain: None. The motion carried.

Michael Roy moved to appoint Tyler Wallace as Public Works Director for the City of Minden, subject to passing all applicable tests. The motion was duly seconded by Pam Bloxom and the vote was as follows: Ayes: Michael Roy and Pam Bloxom. Nays: Wayne Edwards, Vincen Bradford and Terika Williams-Walker. Absent: None. Abstain: None. The motion failed.

Upon the recommendation of Building Official Brent Cooley and Mayor Terry Gardner, Michael Roy moved to appoint Mr. Morris Busby to the Minden Planning Commission, to replace Mr. Steve Bryan, and whose term will expire July of 2026. The motion was duly seconded by Wayne Edwards and carried unanimously.

Upon the recommendation of Police Chief Steve Cropper, Wayne Edwards moved to approve the promotion of Minden Police Sergeant Brandon Curry to the rank of Lieutenant. The motion was duly seconded by Vincen Bradford and carried unanimously.

Upon the recommendation of Police Chief Steve Cropper, Wayne Edwards moved to approve the promotions of Minden Police Officers First Class Mitchell Hackett, Donald Brice and Jeremy Sitter to the rank of Sergeant. The motion

was duly seconded by Vincen Bradford and carried unanimously.

Upon the recommendation of Police Chief Steve Cropper, Pam Bloxom moved to approve the Minden Police Department Rank and Position Roster, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Michael Roy and carried unanimously.

The following action was taken regarding condemned properties:

George Harper Sr. Estate
132 Hill Street
Minden, LA 71055

130 & 132 Hill Street
Lot 210 x 210 ft. in NW/4 of SE/4 Sec. 27-19-9

City-appointed curator, Attorney Graydon K. Kitchens, Jr., presented a curator report and stated that he had spoken with a nephew of the owner who requested more time in which to take care of the property. Wayne Edwards moved to authorize the Mayor to issue an order declaring the property condemned and further order the demolition of any structures located thereon and the cleaning of the lot within 90 days of this date. The motion was duly seconded by Terika Williams-Walker and carried unanimously.

Jewel Howard, etal
c/o Margie Howard Jackson
P. O. Box 1467
Minden, LA 71058-1467

301 B. F. Martin Drive
Lots #3, 4 & W/2 of Lot #5, Blk. "I", W. D. Booker Subdivision

City-appointed curator, Attorney Graydon K. Kitchens, Jr. presented a curator report and stated that he had been contacted by Anthony Mitchell and he requested more time in which to have the trailer removed from the property and clean up the lot. Wayne Edwards moved to authorize the Mayor to issue an order declaring the property condemned and further order the demolition of any structures located thereon and the cleaning of the lot within six months of this date. The motion was duly seconded by Michael Roy and carried unanimously.

Lonzie D. Green, Etal
11988 Graham Road
Keithville, LA 71047

315 Gilbert Street
Lot #17, Blk. I, Washington Hts.

City-appointed curator, Attorney Graydon K. Kitchens, Jr. presented a curator report and stated

that all attempts to reach the property owner had been unsuccessful. Terika Williams-Walker moved to authorize the Mayor to issue an order declaring the property condemned and further order the demolition of any structures located thereon and the cleaning of the lot within 45 days of this date. The motion was duly seconded by Vincen Bradford and carried unanimously.

Mary Harris Sims, Etal
c/o Mrs. Minnie Harris Smith
2833 Murphy Street
Shreveport, LA 71103

614 Long Street
Lot #4, Blk. 10, South Highland Addn.

City-appointed curator, Attorney Graydon K. Kitchens, Jr., presented a curator report and stated that all attempts to reach the property owner had been unsuccessful. Terika Williams-Walker moved to authorize the Mayor to issue an order declaring the property condemned and further order the demolition of any structures located thereon and the cleaning of the lot within 45 days of this date. The motion was duly seconded by Wayne Edwards and carried unanimously.

Essie Lee Ivory Estate
c/o Anthony Mitchell
1404 S. Jefferson Street

New Iberia, LA 70560

501 Searles Street
Lot #7, Blk. "10", South Highland Addn.

City-appointed curator, Attorney Graydon K. Kitchens, Jr. presented a curator report and stated that he had been contacted by Anthony Mitchell and he requested more time in which to clean up the property. Terika Williams-Walker had also spoken with Mr. Mitchell and he again requested more time. Terika Williams-Walker moved to authorize the Mayor to issue an order declaring the property condemned and further order the demolition of any structures located thereon and the cleaning of the lot within 60 days of this date. The motion was duly seconded by Wayne Edwards and carried unanimously.

J. C. Morris Estate
607 East Street
Minden, LA 71055

404 South Street
Lot #3, Blk. "12", Harrell Hts.

City-appointed curator, Attorney Graydon K. Kitchens, Jr. presented a curator report and stated that he had received a telephone call from Billy

Walker, grandson of J. C. Morris, stating that he was the only living heir of J. C. Morris and he had donated the property to his mother who is now deceased and that a succession of his mother had been done. Mr. Walker was present and stated that he needed more time in which to clean up the property. Terika Williams-Walker moved to authorize the Mayor to issue an order declaring the property condemned and further order the demolition of any structures located thereon and the cleaning of the lot within 90 days of this date. The motion was duly seconded by Wayne Edwards and carried unanimously.

Opal Land Company LLC
1191 Haw Avenue
Shreveport, LA 71107

409 Chestnut Street
Lot #26 & East 30 ft. of Lot #25, Blk. "12" Harrell Hts.

With no one present representing the property owner, Terika Williams-Walker moved to authorize the Mayor to appoint a curator to represent the property owner. The motion was duly seconded by Vincen Bradford and carried unanimously.

Johnny Benton Kennon
914 Woods Street
Minden, LA 71055

409 Winford Street
Lot 60 x 100 ft. in NW/4 of NW/4 Sec. 28-19-9

Vincen Bradford stated that he had been in contact with Ms. Kennon and she requested more time in which to take care of the property. Upon the recommendation of Building Official, Vincen Bradford moved to authorize the Mayor to issue an order declaring the property condemned and further order the demolition of any structures located thereon and the cleaning of the lot within 90 days of this date. The motion was duly seconded by Michael Roy and carried unanimously.

Hope Youth Ranch, Inc.
114 Hope Ranch Road
Minden, LA 71055

502 Pine Street
Lot #1 Resubdiv. Of W. B. Claffey Addn.

With no one present representing the property owner and upon the recommendation of Building Official Brent Cooley, Vincen Bradford moved to authorize the Mayor to appoint a curator to represent the property owner. The motion was duly seconded by Wayne Edwards and carried unanimously.

Upon motion by

Wayne Edwards and duly seconded by Pam Bloxom, the council unanimously adopted Ordinance No. 1117, Annexation of Property, annexing that certain city property more fully described in Ordinance No. 1117, into the corporate limits of the City of Minden. (Quick Draw Travel & Casino, LLC located at 1703 Highway 531)

Upon motion by Michael Roy and duly seconded by Pam Bloxom, the council unanimously adopted a resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept Grant No. 3-22-0032-015-2021, titled Airport Coronavirus Relief Grant Program (ACRGP), from the Federal Aviation Administration to help offset a decline in revenues arising from diminished airport operations and activities at the Minden Airport as a result of Covid-19, and enter into a grant agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration, as presented. Said resolution is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Wayne Edwards moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding by and between JBL Communications, LLC dba V1Fibre and the City of Minden and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Terika Williams-Walker and carried unanimously.

Pam Bloxom moved to authorize the Mayor to negotiate, enter into and sign a Contracting Services Agreement with Southwestern Electric Power Company, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Michael Roy and carried unanimously. (This agreement involves labor, equipment and specified materials necessary to provide preventative maintenance, emergency service restoration and work on agreed to high voltage facilities.)

Upon motion by Pam Bloxom and duly seconded by Michael Roy, the council unanimously voted unanimously in favor of authorizing the City Clerk to advertise for bids for the 2020-2021 Street Improvements Project. (Project to include Longleaf Drive and Woodard Drive.) Michael Fluhr, acting City Clerk, presented the Budget/Financial Report for the month of April, 2021. No motion is required.

The Police Report for April of 2021 was unanimously accepted, as presented, by motion of Wayne Edwards and duly seconded by Michael Roy.

Public comments were heard, council comments were heard and the meeting was adjourned.

Terry L. Gardner, Mayor

ATTEST:
Michael Fluhr, Acting City Clerk

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ORDINANCE NO. 1117
ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY

THE CITY COUNCIL OF MINDEN, LOUISIANA, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN:

I.
That the following described property is hereby annexed into the corporate limits of the City of Minden Louisiana, to wit:

ANNEXATION DESCRIPTION

That certain tract of land located at 1703 Highway 531 to be included in District A of the City of Minden, Louisiana, zoned B-4, Highway Commercial, and more particularly described as:

A tract of land in the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter (NE¼ of NW¼) of Section 13, Township 18 North, Range 9 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana, more fully described as follows: From a found car axle marking the Northeast Corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 1, run thence South 0 degrees 45 minutes East a distance of 566.5 feet to a found 1/2" iron rod for corner and point of beginning of the tract herein described, run thence North 87 degrees West a distance of 662.70 feet to a set 1/2" iron rod for corner, being a point on the East right-of-way line of State Highway No. 531, run thence South 0 degrees 42 minutes 22 seconds West along said right-of-way line, a distance of 2.41 feet to a found concrete monument for corner, run thence South 4 degrees 27 minutes 28 seconds West along said right-of-way line, a distance of 507.73 feet to a found 3/8" iron rod for corner, run thence North 88 degrees 37 minutes 26 seconds West 20.4 feet (measured) 20.13 feet (call) to a found concrete monument for corner, being a point on the East right-of-way line of State Highway No. 531, run thence South 4 degrees 02 minutes 23 seconds West along said right-of-way line, a distance of 256.88 feet to a found 1/2" iron rod for corner, being a point on the Northerly right-of-way line of Interstate No. 20, run thence the following two (2) courses along the Northerly right-of-way line of Interstate No. 20, South 39 degrees 07 minutes 50 seconds West a distance of 113.16 feet (measured), 112.0 feet (call) to a found concrete monument for corner, South 67 degrees 42 minutes 02 seconds East a distance of 9.6 feet to a set 1/2" iron rod for corner, run thence South 89 degrees 41 minutes 38 seconds East (call East), a distance of 667.68 feet (measured) 667.73 feet (call) to a found 3/4" iron pipe for corner, run thence North 0 degrees 41 minutes 50 seconds West (call North 0 degrees 43 minutes West) a distance of 818.0 feet to the point of beginning, containing 13.466 acres, more or less, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon.

II.
This ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after it has been published in the official journal of the City of Minden, Louisiana.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Minden Council upon motion by Wayne Edwards and

duly seconded by Pam Bloxom on this 7th day of June, 2021, by the following vote:

YEAS: Five
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

s/
Terry L. Gardner, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michael Fluhr, Acting City Clerk

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1 James Hodges & Brian Grubbs	60	63	123
2 Joe Ellis Michaels & Scott Morgan	61	63	124
3 Chase Leone & Grant Cosby	63	62	125
3 Lance McGuire & Gavin Neatherland	63	62	125
5 Brad Wells & Peyton Wells	67	62	129
6 Andy Pendergrass & Ben Garmon	65	67	132
7 Bush Camahan & Mike Mills	65	68	133
7 Kevin Anders & Tim Vining	68	65	133
9 Hubert Hippler & Tommy Sumner	70	66	136

PRESIDENTIAL FLIGHT	ROUND 1	ROUND 2	TOTAL
1 Brandon Greer & Willie Fox	66	62	128
2 Mike Woodard & Ian Dorian	67	68	135
3 Robert Feron & Kit Harbuck	69	67	136
4 Mike Harper & Marvin Jones	71	67	138
4 Jordy Fish & Justin Smart	69	69	138
6 Ken Rams & Kevin Dutton	70	70	140
7 Gene Corley & Barry Hammons	72	69	141
8 Hays Brown & Eric Brown	73	70	143
9 John Collins & David Dumas	75	71	146
9 Mike Jewell & Murl Procell	73	73	146

FIRST FLIGHT	ROUND 1	ROUND 2	TOTAL
1 Logan Hollingsworth & Garrett Vaughan	66	67	133
1 Joel Gray & Mitchell Best	64	69	133
3 Bobby Taylor & Mike McNabb	69	68	137
4 Casey Corley & Richard Randall	67	71	138
5 Jack Byrd & Johnny Benton	73	66	139
6 David Botzong & Chad McCullough	70	71	141
7 Marshall Harper & Adam Founds	69	75	144
7 Buddy Ward & Jerry Rogers	74	70	144
9 Jeremy Utphall & Chris Lewis	73	73	146
10 John McKee & Wesley Mandino	79	70	149
10 Bryce Reed & Jordan McCart	74	75	149

SECOND FLIGHT	ROUND 1	ROUND 2	TOTAL
1 Richie McKissack & Caleb Hayden	70	65	135
2 Ed Brown & Turner Francis	70	67	137
3 Josh Hilton & Kyle Smith	70	68	138
4 Mason Woodard & John Mitchell	72	70	142
4 Terry Schlimgen & Monte Newman	70	72	142
6 Pat Woodard & Stan Ratcliff	73	72	145
7 Dennis Botzong & Jody Garcia	74	74	148
8 David Schoonover & Jay Fussell	73	76	149
9 Fred Cabaniss & John Earnhardt	77	75	152
10 Tommy Canterbury & Chad Canterbury	80	77	157

THIRD FLIGHT	ROUND 1	ROUND 2	TOTAL
1 Jeremy Waters & Tyler Waters	72	68	140
2 John McConnell & Jay Kumar	72	69	141
3 Rob Valentine & David Valentine	70	72	142
4 Mike Wise & Preston Wise	71	74	145
5 Robert Camahan & Lance Camahan	71	75	146
6 Randy Stevenson & Matt Alexander	74	74	148
7 Taylor Campbell & Jesse Waller	75	74	149
7 Mike Sutter & Glen LaPrarie	79	70	149
9 David Ogwyn & Jason Ogwyn	74	80	154

FOURTH FLIGHT	ROUND 1	ROUND 2	TOTAL
1 Derek Cupples & Jared Mourad	72	73	145
2 Zach Goodman & Jordan Cupples	72	75	147
2 Butch Day & Billy Fish	71	76	147
4 Alex Collins & Chris Odom	78	75	153
5 Michael Ullich & Bo Branch	76	81	157
5 Donnie Irby & Danny Clanton	77	80	157
7 Paul Gulley & Jeff Mourad	83	79	162
8 Jason Parker & Jordan Williams	84	94	178
9 Mark Wilson & Jeremy Causey	87	94	181
9 Hal Jackson & Ben Cabell	90	91	181

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