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We Care Bike Drive: Letting the youth of Minden know 'We Care'

WILL PHILLIPS

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We Care is an Organization spearheaded by Patrick White to let the community of Minden know that there are people here locally that care about them. This year, they are organizing a Bike Drive where the bikes will be given to the youth of the area, giving them some-thing tangible to show them that 'We Care.'

White has always done things for his local neighborhood community from cookouts giving free meals to driving around on Thanksgiving making sure that everyone had holiday dinner.

We Care originated from White seeing that the local community is a giving one, there just needs to be extra work done connecting the people who can help to the people who need it. The organization in a bigger sense aims to act as a network to foster these relationships and make these connections to facilitate getting help to those that need it with as little hassle as possible.

"There are many business owners, many people out here that actually care about people. Now that I do realize it, I see there's a lack of reaching out to the people who need help and letting them know that we're here, that we care," said White.

"Sometimes you need someone to reach out to without going through a lot of red tape. Sometimes you just need somebody to cry to, and I just want to let them know that we're



Missing the times that he would take his son and other kids to local events, rather than doing another cookout this year, he felt called to go bigger, and to supply bikes to kids in

"I was really missing when my son was young, how I used to pick him up and other kids and take them to the Minden Airshow and things like that. So I was planning on cooking something to giveaway again, but God put something on my **in order to support their** heart and just said let's do Bike Drive. So far We bicycles this time. Then I was like, let's do bicycles 70 donations from local

More than simply gift-

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COURTESY PHOTOS

(Top) Chris Oliver and **Patrick White seen** above with bikes that were donated by local businesses and individuals for the We Care Bike Drive which aims to supply bikes to local youth to let them know that 'We Care.'

(Right) Mercy's Closet seen below with a portion of the 10 bikes they donated to We Care Care has received over businesses and individuals, and are continuing to accept donations until July.



SHOOTING

Chateau Normandy shooting victim dies in hospital, third juvenile suspect detained in ongoing investigation

Ty'Quan Morris, 17, who was shot multiple times at the Chateau Normandy Apartments Sunday morning succumbed to his injuries Tuesday evening and passed away. Two juveniles involved in the shooting have been arrested, and a third was detained Wednesday morn-

arrested two, and a third juvenile listed as a person of interest has been detained. We fol-



lowed up on what he told us and his story didn't pan out, so we obtained a warrant for that juvenile," said Minden Police Chief Steve Cropper.

Cropper also mentioned that the gun used in the shooting had been reported as stolen less than three weeks ago from a citizen's truck, and the individual had reported the suspects by name.

"The gun was reported stolen less than 3 weeks ago. The individual reporting the gun stolen mentioned the two juveniles by name," said Cropper. Being the one that stole it and the one that took possession of it. The shooter was the one we were told had ended up in possession of the firearm.

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LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Louisiana's override session fails to overturn a single veto

(The Center Square) – The Louisiana Legislature adjourned the state's first veto override session in modern history Wednesday without overturning a single veto.

Democratic Gov. John Bel Edwards rejected 28 regular session bills this year. The Republican-dominated Legislature, however, failed to reach the necessary two-thirds majority in each chamber to erase Edwards' veto pen.

The Fairness in Women's Sports Act, or Senate Bill 156, was seen as the GOP's best opportunity for success. The transgender athlete legislation would have prohibited students from competing on teams that differ from their assigned gender at birth.

The bill initially passed with bipartisan support, but Edwards vetoed the legislation, saying it "unfairly discriminated against transgender youth."

A successful Senate override vote occurred Tuesday, but the House failed to advance the effort Wednesday after tabling 20 other bills to get

Rep. Laurie Schlegel, R-Jefferson, spoke in favor of the measure. Members were allowed to discuss only the governor's stated objections in his veto message, not the merits of the legislation. Schlegel reminded her colleagues that nothing had changed since the bill passed in May with 78 votes and 50 co-sponsors.

"If you've seen the polling on it then you know in this state, in every single district, whether it's Democrats, Republicans or Independents, they overwhelmingly believe biological males should not play female sports," she said.

Edwards also cited the NCAA's anti-discrimination policy covering transgender sports bans in his veto statement, which he said could impact the state economically. New Orleans is scheduled to host the 2022 men's basketball Final Four.

"It's unimaginable to me that we could let any outside organization hold our state hostage on a bill," Schlegel said.

Rep. Royce Duplessis, D-New Orleans, was the lead dissenting voice.

"Protecting our girls is something I choose to believe every member of this Legislature wants desperately and undeniably. It's something that I believe our governor undoubtedly wants," he said. "But members, not only is this bill unnecessary, I can assure you that it does not, in fact, protect our girls."

Duplessis warned of lawsuits, personal privacy violations, bullying and economic losses. He added that helping girls in sports would involve additional funding to create more opportunities.

"They're not on a mission to dominate sports. They're on a mission to survive," he said of transgender youth.

Rep. Jeremy LaCombe, D-Livonia, unsuccessfully urged House Speaker Clay Schexnayder, R-Gonzales, to let he and other members speak.

"Some of us have been put in astronomically difficult situations," he said.

LaCombe voted for the Fairness in Women's Sports Act in May but chose to sustain the governor's veto Wednesday.

Democratic Reps. Chad Brown, Mack Cormier, C. Travis Johnson and Pat Moore also voted against the override after previously supporting the bill, as did Rep. Roy Daryl Adams, the lone Independent in attendance.

Schlegel closed by asking members to "fight like a girl and override this veto."

Seventy votes were needed but only 68 came – two short of the required super-majority. The 68-30 final result prompted Schexnayder to suspended further deliberations.

Senate President Page Cortez, R-Lafayette, moved to adjourn hours later, indicating no other reconsidered bills would receive attention. The House soon followed in **DRUGS**

Seven Inmates Charged with bringing Synthetic Marijuana into BDCC

WILL PHILLIPS

Minden Press-Herald

Seven prisoners in the Bayou Dorcheat Correctional Center were charged with possession of contraband in a correctional facility and possession of a schedule I substance. The substance

is believed to be synthetic marijuana that made its way into the center through individuals participating in the work release program.

"Every correction facility has contraband issues....

especially in the work day release program. The offenders have an opportunity to go out and work a regular job in the community but when they return to the facility they have to follow the rules just like any other inmate," said Webster parish Sheriff Jason Parker.

The booking reports

indicate that the individuals in possession of the synthetic marijuana were discovered through routine rounds in the work release dorm as well as observant deputies noticing signs of impairment.

One individual that was charged named Eric

Chapman was asked by a Deputy if they had anything in their pockets. "Chapman ignored the question and refused to follow his verbal commands. Chapman then

turned away from Pickard and ran towards the bathroom area. [The deputy] pursued Chapman and tried to restrain him. [The deputy observed Chapman throw a wadded up piece of paper onto the floor," the booking report stated.

Others didn't make the search as difficult, with one inmate named Geron Parker leaving a "partially smoked suspected synthetic marijuana cigarette on inmate Geron Parker's Pillow, and another inmate named Tyrie Burton leaving ashes on their mattress and "partially smoked 'roaches' on the floor next to Tyrie's work boots," according to the booking reports.

Ultimately, this wasn't a larger coordinated effort to try and find the synthetic marijuana that had made its way into the facility, and instead was a result from the attentive work the Sheriff's Deputies do every day to keep drugs out of the Correctional Facility.

"Our deputies work very hard to keep any contraband from entering BDCC. When someone is caught with contraband there are consequences and they are held accountable," said Sheriff Parker.

Shooting: Suspects had been friends with the victim before the shooting

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The Chief stated that the juveniles involved, both the victim and the suspects, had been friends beforehand.

"It was a very sad senseless act and these young men involved were all friends to my understanding. Ran around together, and hung out together," said Cropper.

Cropper stated that from the information

they gathered, the two juveniles had "Been pushing each other back and forth during that early morning. I don't know how it got out of hand, but the young man that pulled the gun said he was going to run up on him, and he wasn't going to let him run up on him."

Charges against the assailants will soon be changed to from attempted second degree homi-

cide to second degree murder. Minden Police Department has charged the two suspects, 15, and 17, and are being held at Ware Youth Detention Center.

After the victim passed away he was sent to Little Rock for an autopsy to recover bullet fragments needed as evidence for the investigation according to Chief Cropper.

Care: Bike Drive will be accepting Bikes and monetary donations that will be used to purchase bikes until July 29th

Continued from Page 1 ing a bike to a child, White wants to attach the names of individuals and businesses to show the youth that there are people here locally that want the best for them. To say, "They care about you so much they gave you a gift. That's what it all came from," said White.

We Care will also be attaching fliers to the bikes with contact information of individuals who have volunteered to be a contact for any of these kids who are going through something and need someone to talk to. White stated that he wants to remove the amount of red tape that kids need to go through in order to be able to reach out to someone.

"Everyone had a time

"Everyone had a time when they were younger when you didn't want to come outside, were too scared to play sports, or do something. The only person you could talk to was your parents , and you don't know how to explain that to your parents," sadi White.

"On each bike, I'm going to put a flyer of people that kids can actually contact, and we're creating a facebook group, where kids can actually call directly anytime they're going through something, or feeling something and need someone to talk to," said White.

On top of getting dona-

tions for bikes, We Care is also looking for individuals who would be willing to be contacted in circumstances such as the one described above. Particularly they want to find counselors, so if any volunteer receives a call from someone in the midst of a crisis, they could be referred to a mental health professional as soon as possible.

The Bike Drive will be accepting Bikes and monetary donations that will

be used to purchase bikes until July 29th. Businesses or individuals interested can reach out to Patrick White at 318-517-5670.

So far the drive has received over 70 donations from individuals and businesses, some of which include Mercy's Closet, Marshall's Office, Alice's Soul Kitchen, Best Kare Journey, Waller Petroleum/Smoking J, Minden Police Chief Steve Cropper, Caraway Pre-Owned, Saint Rest Church, Lawa-

nda Jefferson First Aid & CPR Classes, Benevolent Funeral Home, Doyle Funeral Home, Minden Medical, Davidson Investment Group, and Chad Auto and Exhaust.

"To every business entity and person in the community that contributes, thank you for continuing to be a part of our youth lives. Let's continue to support a community that's powered by love," said White.

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WELLNESS

Walmart to Host Free Wellness Day in Louisiana on July 24th to Empower Customers to Prioritize Health

(July 21, 2021) - Walmart is inviting customers to take control of their health at Walmart Wellness Day, a free event on Saturday, July 24, where they can get health screenings and wellness resources at pharmacies across Louisiana, as well as immunizations in one easy location. The goal of Walmart Wellness Day is to help customers get back on track with preventive health measures they may have missed over the past year, especially as many families prepare for in-person work and school this fall.

"At least 41 percent of Americans delayed care during the pandemic, according to the CDC, and that can lead to negative health impacts in the future. We want to make it simple for our customers to prioritize their health and catch up on preventive care by offering convenient

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health resources where they're already shopping for groceries and backto-school items," said Dr. Cheryl Pegus, executive vice president, Walmart Health & Wellness. "We are especially focused on reaching customers in underserved communities who may have limited options for healthcare in their community, outside our pharmacies. This is a day for the entire family, and we'll be offering screenings and services for all ages."

4,700 More than Walmart pharmacies nationwide will host Walmart Wellness Day events from 10 AM - 2 PM on July 24. Walmart Wellness Day events will feature the following health resources, administered by our qualified pharmacy team:

Free health screenings, including glucose, cholesterol, blood pressure, body mass index and vision

Frederick (Fred) B.

raised in North Stratford, NH and graduated in 1957

from its local high school. He attended LeTourneau

College in TX for 2 years and then returned home to at-

tend NH Technical Institute for advanced classes. Fred

joined the U.S. Army in 1962 - 1964. Tired of the winters

and snow, Fred moved to Shreveport, Louisiana to set-

tle in 1971 and remained in the area the rest of his life.

Hapgood; children Cheri Lord Servetas (Paul) Peoria,

AZ, Libby Ashlock (Dennis) Bossier City, LA, Frederick Byron Hapgood, Jr. (Suzie) Benton, LA; stepsons Doug-

las Scallorn of Minden, LA, Steven Scallorn (Debi) of St.

Louis, MO, and Kenneth Scallorn of Shreveport, LA. He

also leaves behind his grandchildren, great grandchil-

dren, and former stepchildren, all of whom he adored.

With his outgoing personality, Fred worked in the

Fred is survived by his wife, Lydianne V. Hammons

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Reports COVID-19 cases continue to drop in areas of the country where the majority of the population is fully vaccinated. Unfortunately, in states where vaccination rates are lower, data shows a rise in cases and hospitalizations. Experts are also seeing variants of the virus starting to emerge, including the Delta variant, which appears to be more

The good news is the CDC reports the three

COVID-19 authorized vaccines offer protection against the current virus variants for those who are fully vaccinated. For those who receive their vaccination at Walmart and Sam's Club, they can now get a free digital version of their vaccination record. Individuals can print, save on a device or share with third-party apps if they choose.

Walmart pharmacies have been hosting Walmart Wellness Days since 2014 and we've administered more than 4.75 million free health screenings for our customers during that time. Our quarterly wellness events shifted to a virtual format during the COVID-19 pandemic, and we are excited to be back in person for the first time since January 2020. To find a free event in your neighborhood, visit Walmart. com/wellnesshub.

LOCAL

Rose-Neath Minden Announces New Pre-Need Counselor

Special to the Minden Press-Herald

Joy Rogers, a fairly new resident of Minden, has taken on the family ser-

vices counselor and pre-planning role for Rose-Neath Minden. Although she is not a Minden native, she has felt the palpable community atmosphere and is eager to serve

through pre-planning funeral arrangements. When asked why she thought this role would be a good fit for her, she responded "I lost my father several years ago and helping plan his funeral is something I never thought I would be faced with at such a young age. He did not have a pre-arrangement

and making those decisions after his death were some of the hardest decisions I have ever made. If I can help even 1 family

alleviate that burden by taking care of their arrangements ahead of time, then I am positive I would be doing something that I know is making a differ-

Joy grew up in East Texas and moved to Louisiana when she married Minden native, Blake Rogers. She has 2 active teenagers and loves to spend her free time planning getaways with her family. We are pleased to have her join our Rose-Neath family.

Joy can be reached at our Minden location – or by email: joyrog0330@ gmail.com[']

Series 7 license and worked as a securities broker. Hapgood Send us your news He had a passion for life. Fred was a talented musi-Frederick (Fred) B. Hapgood, age cian and self-taught guitarist and vocalist. His music 82 of Minden, LA, left his earthly was shared with many since age 17 through the bands at newsroom@ companions to join his Heavenly in which he played, including most recently the Highfamily on July 16, 2021. way 71 Band, and several Church bands. In his spare Fred was born in Lancaster, NH on time, he enjoyed golf and being with his family. At-April 4, 1939 to Frederick and Dorothy Taylor. He was tending his yearly Class Reunion in Groveton, NH was

high school classmates and band members. Fred is predeceased by his parents, stepfather Herbert Taylor, a brother and sister-in-law Harold and Nancy Hapgood of Portsmouth, NH and a very special

always a highlight for him. He was appreciative of the

life-long friendships he maintained with many of his

sales industry most of his life and never met a stranger

who did not turn into a friend. At one point, Fred held a

aunt and uncle, Elizabeth and Howard Root. The Family extends its gratitude and appreciation to The Carpenter House in Shreveport, LA as they cared for Fred with respect and compassion during his last

Services to honor his life will begin with a Visitation, in the Stateroom, from 10 - 11 am followed by a Graveside Funeral Service in the Cemetery, at 11:15 am. Each will be held on Wednesday, July 21, at Hill Crest Memorial, in Haughton, LA

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Shirley J. Procell

July 25, 1940 - July 17, 2021 Shirley was born July 25, 1940 in Naborton, LA. and entered

through the heavenly gates at home in Minden, LA. July 17, 2021. She retired after 30 + years from LAAP. She was loved by all that knew her.

Preceding her in death were her parents Warren C. "Lefty" and Dorothy Heard, brothers Alfred Heard, Warren C. Heard Jr. and Thomas Heard.

Left to cherish her memory is her son, Jeff Wren Pat Heard (Beverly). One step grandson Xander Pro-Numerous nieces and nephews.

The family will have a private family memorial. In lieu of flowers the family asks to please donate to St. Jude Research Hospital.

(Margaret), step son, Jarrod Procell, step daughter, Chantel Procell. Siblings, Carolyn Mynatt (Richard), Bob Heard (Ruby), Jim Heard (Marilyn), Sarah Gingles, cell (Daisy). Two step granddaughters, five step great grandchildren and two step great great grandchildren.

ana. Laurence served his country in the United States Air Force.

Laurence is survived by his wife, Bobbie Fuller of Minden; sons, Robert Fuller and wife LaShonna of Cibolo, Texas, Greg Fuller of Shreveport, and Royce Chapman and wife Angie of Sibley; daughters, Sherry Sanders and husband Tom of Shreveport and Rhonda Chapman of West Palm Beach, Florida; sisters, Sandy Donaldson and husband Dan of Toms River, New Jersey and Cindy Estelle and husband David of Monroeton, Pennsylvania; 18 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

> Rose-Neath Funeral Home 211 Murrell Street Minden, Louisiana 71055 (318) 377-3412



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Laurence R. Fuller

Funeral services for Laurence R. Fuller will be held Thursday, July 22, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. at Eastside Missionary Baptist Church in Minden, Louisiana with Rev. Chet Johnson officiating. Interment will follow at Whispering Pines Cemetery in Min-

den, Louisiana under the direction of Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden, Louisiana with military honors. The family will receive friends at 9:30 a.m. prior to the service Thursday at the church.

Laurence was born July 12, 1944 in Elmira, New York and entered into rest July 19, 2021 in Minden, Louisi4 | FRIDAY, JULY 23, 2021

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Hanna: Presentism at its worst

EDITOR'S NOTE: This column by Sam Hanna Jr. was first published the week of June 21, 2020.

Troy H. Middle-Gen. ton stood in the breach and stopped the Nazis from capturing Bastogne in one of the bloodiest engagements of World War II. It's known as the Battle of the Bulge. It was the last offensive carried out by the German army, which had hoped to divide Allied Forces in order to negotiate an end to the war favorable to the Third Reich.

By the grace of God and the heroism of thousands of Allied soldiers including Middleton, the German army failed, and World War II in Europe came to an end with the fall of Nazi Germany less than six months

History tells us Middleton's heroics at Bastogne were pivotal in stopping the Nazis from sweeping across Belgium and prolonging the war, but his actions at the Battle of the Bulge represent just one example among many acts of courage Middleton carried out during his service in the U.S. Army over the course of two world

Apparently that meant nothing to the LSU Board of Supervisors, which unanimously agreed last week to remove Middleton's name from the library at the Ole War Skule, for whom the library was named

in 1978. The Troy H. Middleton Library will exist no longer. The library will be renamed in honor of Lord only knows what or whom. LSU officials will inform us at a later date.



HANNA

T h e grave sin Middleton committed that prompted LSU the board to dishonor his legacy concerns letter Middle-

ton wrote to the chancellor of the University of Texas in 1961 when Middleton was serving as LSU's president, one of many positions Middleton held on and off at LSU beginning in 1930 as commandant of cadets. In his communication to Texas' Harry Ransom, Middleton discussed LSU's efforts to keep black and white students segregated, which was the law of the land in Louisiana at the

It was that letter that fueled the fire for the LSU board to cowardly cater last week to a leftist movement sweeping the country hell bent on whitewashing history. The movement is an example of presentism, which entails adhering to present-day attitudes, especially in interpreting past events as they relate to modern beliefs or values. In other words, Middleton's stand against fascism in World War II is to be wiped away and ignored forever because his position toward integration as LSU's president - some 60 years ago - conflicts with the wants and wishes of modern-day society, or modern-day fascists. And the LSU board embraced it. So did Gov. John Bel Edwards, who took time out of his fear-mongering, COVID-consumed schedule to rally the LSU board to strip Middleton's name from the library. Plaques commemorating Middleton's service and his bust were removed from the library as well.

One must wonder whether Edwards and the LSU board bothered to consider Middleton's service to Louisiana following his tenure as LSU's president. Something tells me they didn't. If they had, they would have discovered then-Gov. John J. McKeithen convinced Middleton to come out of retirement in 1964 to chair a biracial commission of 21 blacks and 21 whites charged with easing tensions over integration throughout the state. Middleton, 74 at the time, initially agreed to chair the commission for no more than two years but stayed on until the commission disbanded in 1970. Along the way, Louisiana State Police was integrated.

Observing the LSU board carry out one hell of an im-

pression of Neville Chamberlain at Munich was troubling to say the least. It was just as troubling as witnessing modern-day fascists in the past few weeks deface statues of American heroes such as George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Ulysses S. Grant and others. All the while, elected officials -Democrats like our governor in Louisiana — as well as police chiefs and sheriffs stood idly by as it all unfolded.

Where is all of this madness headed? At what point do the American people say enough is enough? Why are law-abiding citizens not outraged?

Reducing Middleton to an asterisk in LSU's storied history should alarm any reasonable individual, especially individuals who recognize there are lessons to be learned from history. Presentism doesn't respect history. Instead, presentism demands that we pick apart history and remember only those events that conform with the attitudes or values of

It's a dangerous path for society to pursue. That's especially true when fascists render governors like Edwards and governing bodies like the LSU board to nothing more than mere spectators, or sheep being led to slaughter.

> SAM HANNA IS PUBLISHER OF THE **OUACHITA CITIZEN.**

OPINION

Buchanan: Why can't Biden stop this invasion?

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Article IV of the Constitution addresses the obligations of the federal government to the state governments that were being asked to surrender aspects of their sovereignty to form our new Union.

The United States shall guarantee to every State in this Ŭnion a Republican Form of Government," reads Article IV, "and shall protect

each of them against Invasion."

Late in the War of 1812, U.S. forces held Fort McHenry in Baltimore Harbor through a nightlong attack but failed to stop an invading British army at Bladensburg, which marched on to Washington and burned the Capitol and White

To repel a British invasion and the capture of New Orleans, and a blockading of the Mississippi, Maj. Gen. Andrew Jackson mustered a defending army that almost annihilated the invading British force.

Half a decade later, President James Monroe sent Jackson to halt the raids of marauding Indians out of Spanish Florida into Georgia.

Jackson stormed into Florida, crushed the Indian tribes, sent the Spanish governor packing to Cuba and hanged two British subjects for collaborating with the enemy.

Secretary of State John Quincy Adams persuaded the Spanish to cede the "derelict province" they could not control - or Jackson might return, and we might just

Madrid got the message. We got Florida.

When Pancho Villa sent a raiding party across the U.S. border in 1916 and killed Americans in Columbus, New Mexico, President Woodrow Wilson sent Gen. John Pershing and an army that grew to 12,000 into Mexico to run him

In 1954, after a million Mexicans had crossed over into the United States, President Dwight Eisen-

hower sent Gen. Joseph Swing send them back. In the vernacular of the time, the mission was named Operation Wetback.

PATRICK BUCHANAN

Mission accomplished. Problem solved. And the point:

America used to regard its southern border as sacrosanct and vulnerable, requiring constant vigilance and occasional action to secure.

And how is President Joe Biden handling his sworn presidential duty to defend the states of the Union from invasion?

This June, 188,800 illegal crossed into the United States a rate of more than 6,000 a day. Nearly a million have arrived in the six months since Biden swore an oath to defend the Constitution that obligates him to protect the states against invasion.

As for "getaways," migrants who enter illegally but evade contact with the Border Patrol and other U.S. authorities and then vanish into our midst, their numbers have been running at about 30,000 a

If the present rate of illegal entries continues, Biden, by the end of his first year as President, will have failed to stop perhaps 2 million illegal aliens from having breached our southern border.

Biden is conducting the border policy of a failed state.

And U.S. immigration policy is being set by people from Third World nations who can find their way to the Rio Grande.

Why cannot we stop this inva-

Vice President Kamala Harris was assigned to take charge of this task, but she redefined her mission as discovering what makes people leave their home countries and trek across Mexico - to come and

Good question: Why are people from developing nations leaving their home countries and crossing Mexico to get into the USA?

After all, our academic, cultural and political elites have told the world that America is a place of "systemic racism," created by white supremacists, for the benefit of peoples of white privilege, where ethnic minorities remain oppressed.

Why would such a country, of all 193 nations in the U.N., be, far and away, the first choice of peoples migrating from the Global South?

Could it be that people from developing nations are not so ignorant as to believe this anti-American progressive propaganda?

They know America is free and full of opportunity. That even the poor here have access to 12 years of free education for their kids. That they will find better health care in America than they can find at home. That there are programs here to battle poverty, hunger and homelessness.

But from the standpoint of the nation to which they are coming, the illegal migrant millions present real problems. They consume far more in benefits than they pay in taxes. They are dead weight on the welfare state. "Biden is in a vise on horder"

said The Washington Post Sunday headline, over a story describing the president's border problem. But the only way Biden can have

a political crisis on the border is if he is seen as failing in his duty to defend the states against invasion.

Why is he failing? Either he can't do what is needed to be done, or

America's border paralysis is induced by liberal ideology. The left does not want the ille-

gals coming here. "Do not come!" was the message Harris gave the Guatemalans. But when it comes to the necessary toughness to stop the invasion, they recoil.

Joe Biden is no Eisenhower, no Wilson, no Quincy Adams and certainly no Andrew Jackson.

PATRICK J. BUCHANAN IS THE AUTHOR OF "NIXON'S WHITE HOUSE WARS: THE BATTLES THAT MADE AND BROKE A PRESIDENT AND DIVIDED AMERICA FOREVER.

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Minden Job Fair

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Bistineau Baptist Church 151st Homecoming

Bistineau Baptist Church will be celebrating it's 151st Homecoming, August 1, 2021 located at 195 Bistineau Church Rd in Heflin. The speaker will be Brother Wayne Whiteside and service starts at 10:30 a.m. Lunch will be served after. For more information call Nancy @ 318-453-7389 or Bro. Richard 318-423-2528

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STORIES FROM THE BACK PORCH

Who is in charge? It isn't Mimi

A couple of years ago (before Covid) flu was really rampant across our country

and reports were
that it was the
worst it had been
in many years.
Officials were
asking people to
stay home away
from crowds,
even suggesting
that it would be
best not to go to

the hospital. That sounded kind of ominous to me.

When there began to be reports of deaths from the flu, I really began to worry and fret. I didn't want to go anywhere or do anything that required me to leave the house. About two weeks of this will give one a bad case of cabin fever, but that's better than flu.

Then, a few weeks later we received word that two of our great grands had the flu, then their mother also took it. As badly as I wanted to avoid the flu, this made

me want to go and help out with them. However, as they live in Tennessee, it

> wasn't feasible, so I remained home and prayed even harder than I had been doing.

> It seems that women have an innate mothering gene that makes them want to take care of their little

ones- to protect them and keep them safe from all the bad things in this world. It hurts us when we realize we can do only so much and after that we have to turn it over to someone with more power than we have. That's why the prayers kept going up to the Higher Power.

As the days passed, they began to recuperate and finally, they were well enough to be up and about their regular routines.

Then, several days later, as we were watching TV, a weather alert scrolled across the top of the screen. It was alerting residents in some Texas counties of possible tornadoes in the area. There was a tornado watch in the county where our grandson and family live so naturally this "mama" got alarmed.

I wasn't sure they were watching and I wanted to be sure they knew about the situation. I sent them a text message about the watch and suggested they be alert and stay safe. Then, to lighten the mood of the problem, I added, "This is just the old mother hen watching after her chicks".

His message in return noted they had just seen the scroll, but then assured me it was okay for the old mother hen to be concerned.

I find myself offering suggestions sometimes that might not be so easily accepted. That is one of the problems (among many) that I need to work on. There is no way these grands can

understand how important it is for us keep mothering, even after they have families of their own. And they think they can handle anything that comes their way.

I'm just hoping that I can always lighten my concern so they can accept it for what it is, caring, but not controlling.

Without my physical presence, the children got over the flu without Mimi's help (although I still think I could have helped out had I been closer) and the ones in Texas were safe from the bad weather without my help.

That is just evidence of who is really in charge. And it isn't Mimi.

It is that Higher Power we always go to in times of need. And I hope I never fail to thank Him for his mighty power and love.

FANNIE MOORE IS A JOURNALIST WHO LIVES IN SHONGALOO WHERE SHE ENJOYS WRITING ON A VARIETY OF SUBJECTS.

FORMER GOVERNOR

Final parade: Ex-Gov. Edwards carried to funeral site

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP)

— Bagpipes played as an honor guard carried the flag-draped casket bearing the body of former Louisiana Gov. Edwin Edwards down the steps of Louisiana's towering state Capitol Sunday and loaded it onto a horse-drawn carriage for transport to his funeral site.

The four-term former governor, died at his home in Gonzales last Monday at age 93 after placing himself in hospice care following bouts with respiratory illness. His body lay in honor Saturday at the Capitol, where members of the public were allowed to file by.

The Southern University marching band was part of a procession that carried the body from the 34-story Capitol built in the 1930s, on a nearly mile-long route to the Old State Capitol, a 19th Century structure, where a private funeral ceremony for Edwards was held.

Among the speakers was current Gov. John Bel Edwards — no relation to the former governor — who praised Edwards as

a consensus builder and deal maker who modernized state government and worked hard to fund education and the state's charity hospital system.

"As he once said, he was both a realist and a dreamer who often dreamed of a better world — and worked to make it so," the current governor said of Edwards in prepared remarks released publicly Sunday afternoon.

Edwin Edwards was a dominant figure in Louisiana politics for much of the late 20th century, having served in the state Senate and in Congress before winning the governorship.

He became famous for sharp wit, deadpan one-liners and political skills that propelled him to two terms as governor in the 1970s, one in the '80s and another in the early '90s. He drew praise for leading a push for a new state constitution, bringing Black people into state government and ushering in state prosperity with an overhaul of oil taxes in the 1970s. He was in power during the completion of the

Louisiana Superdome and was instrumental in efforts that kept the NFL's Saints in New Orleans, saved the financially troubled 1984 World's Fair, brought a casino to New Orleans and, eventually an NBA team.

But he also was frequently touched by accusations of wrongdoing. He was tried and acquitted on corruption charges during his third term. After being all but written off as politically finished following a failed re-election bid in 1987, he was re-elected in 1991 after securing a runoff spot against a former Ku Klux Klan leader.

He was tried and convicted in 2000 for rigging the riverboat casino licensing process. He insisted he did nothing wrong, blaming the conviction on perjured testimony. He served eight years in prison, emerging in 2011 at age 83 to marry for the third time. Bride Trina Grimes Scott was then 32. They had a son together. Edwards had four grown children from his first marriage.

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LIONS CLUB

Commander Resendez of the American Legion speaks at Lions Club

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Commander Resendez was invited and introduced by Lion John Becker to speak at last week's Minden Noon Lions Club Meeting. Commander Resendez made comparisons between the American Legion and Lions Club, highlighting how both organizations promote God, country and service to our fellow man. She spoke about the American Legion's four pillars of service: Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism, and Children & Youth. Each of these pillars encompasses a variety of programs that benefit our nation's veterans, its service members, their families, the youth of America and ordinary citizens.

Small businesses lifted by return of summer tourists

Small businesses in the U.S. that depend on tourism and vacationers say business is bouncing back, as Americans rebook postponed trips and spend freely on food, entertainment and sou-

states and cithave loosened many of their restrictions on crowd size and mask-wearing, a positive sign for businesses that struggled for more than a year when theme parks and other tourist attractions were shuttered. Still, the return to a

pre-pandemic "normal" is a way off for most. There are few business travelers and international tourists. Many businesses are grappling with staff shortages and other challenges. And if a surge of the more contagious delta variant or another variant of the coronavirus forces states to reenact restrictions or lockdowns, the progress might be lost.

The U.S. Travel Association, a travel industry trade group, predicts domestic travel spending will total \$787 billion in 2021. That's up 22% from 2020 but still down 20% from 2010 levels. The group of the still down 20% from 2010 levels. The group of the group 2010 levels. from 2019 levels. The association predicts travel spending won't completely rebound above 2019 levels until 2024.

In Santa Fe, New Mexico, Jenny Kimball, co-owner of the independent hotel La Fonda on the Plaza, with 180 rooms, said her hotel is sold out through the summer and booked about 90% on average for the fall. That's a welcome change from the two or three guests the hotel had at one point as it stayed open during the height of the pandemic.

"It's crazy busy, it's wonderful, everyone is happy," she said. The clientele is dif-

ferent than prior to the pandemic: There are more families and people working remotely, and they're staying longer, an average or four or five nights compared to two or three.

"Families want to come and stay longer and really vacation and see more of the city and more of the museums," Kimball says. Kimball's biggest prob-

lem: A shortage of workers in the restaurant, bar and kitchen. She urged vacationers to have patience.

"It's very hard after such a horrible year to have the demand and not be able to serve them, because we don't have 100 percent staffing back yet,"

Heather Bise owns and runs a 7-bedroom bed-and-breakfast in Cleveland, Ohio, near the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. She opened The House of Bise Bespoke in 2019 and catered to international

tourists, attracting guests from New Zealand, Botswana, Eastern Europe and other far-off places.

The cancellations started in January 2020 and she refunded guests thousands of dollars.

So, Bise retooled her business model and switched to renting out the whole house. Ohio lifted restrictions on mass gatherings in March, and the Hall of Fame reopened in June. Business has rebounded during the past two months — so much so that she's making more than she was pre-pandemic. Demand is so strong she raised prices and switched from conving a breekfast and serving breakfast and dinner to just breakfast.

But her guests are now all from the U.S., usually families meeting up for a reunion or wedding parties — which now make up 60% of her business. She worries that the wedding business will evaporate after the summer and fall.

"Let's just hope people are having weddings in January," she said.

Many owners are pleasantly surprised by the pickup in domestic tourists but still need to see ists, but still need to see corporate travelers and tourists from overseas before business is back to normal. That could take some time. While improved from 2020, the USTA estimates that spending on business

travel this year will be less than half of 2019's \$270 million and international travel spending will total about one-third the \$179 million spent two years

Martha Sheridan with the Greater Boston Convention & Visitors Bureau said the Boston tourism said the Boston tourism industry is relying on "leisure visitors" — families traveling to the city to take in attractions, couples vacationing and women taking "girls weekends." That means weekend husings is strong but business is strong, but mid-week business is still "significantly lower than what it would normally

That could begin to change, she said, when conventions resume at

the end of July.

Because of the pandemic, Boston Duck Tours lost the big groups it usually counts on — not only people from international cruises in port or in town for business travel but also students on school field trips. The tour group has offered land-and-water tours in the Boston area every year since 1994.

Business is about 80% of 2019 levels, with 21 of the 28 duck boats which can operate on land and water — running at about 75% capacity. But leisure travelers have come back strong, said Cindy Brown, CEO of the company.

"We weren't sure how busy we would be," she said. "I've been shocked to see how many people are eager to travel, see attractions and get out of their houses."

And so far, tourists have been freewheeling with spending, small business

owners say.
Denise Quinn owns
The Gilded Oyster jewelry store in Falmouth, Massachusetts, which counts on Cape Cod vacationers for much of its business.

Since May, when Massachusetts dropped its mask mandate and restrictions on indoor and outdoor gathering capacity, shoppers are coming in droves and spending

"Now, it's just great to be here, we've opened up and mask wearing is done," she said. "Vacation rentals and inns are all booked, and people want to treat themselves.'

People are spending more in the shop, she said, buying multiple items instead of just one,

including gifts for themselves as well as others.

"The average price point is definitely higher," she said. "People come in the treat themselves and to treat themselves and get a memento from their time at The Cape.'

Quinn says she is concerned that COVID cases are again on the rise and hopes to maintain business as usual even if restrictions are put in place. If necessary, she's prepared to fall back on a mask mandate, online shopping, curbside pickup and home delivery to keep the business run-

Alan Dietrich, CEO of Crater Lake Spirits in Bend, Ore., which has two tasting rooms catering to tourists who come to the area, said he's seen an explosion in demand since pandemic restrictions were fully lifted ahead of the Fourth of July.

"Every minute we're open, we're seeing peo-ple coming in," he said. "People have been locked down for the last 14 months, they're dying for something to do. The limiting factor is just staff."

He is also seeing people spending freely. In Bend, the average price of an entree has gone up \$3 and the price of a cocktail has gone up \$1 due to staffing shortages and higher wholesale food prices, says Dietrich, who also sits on the board of Bend's tourism development group.

"No one is balking at the prices at all," he added. "Nobody cares what stuff costs right now, people are just happy to be out and about."

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BIRDING

To the birds! Louisiana looks for best birding spots

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — The state of Louisiana is asking residents for the best places to go birdwatching.

People have until Sept. tions to be included in the redesigned Louisiana Birding Trails, the Office of Tourism said in a news release. The nominations are part of an effort to update and possibly expand the trails and develop the state's eco-tourism.

Louisiana and its coastal wetlands are an important location for migrating birds.

"Louisiana is an ideal destination for birding

enthusiasts, and I'm excited to begin this process to better promote and share Louisiana's beautiful outdoors and variety of wildlife with visitors from across the world," said Lt. Gov. Billy Nungesser in the release.

The office is also holding meetings across the state to discuss the birding trails update with the public. The trails were launched 20 years ago.

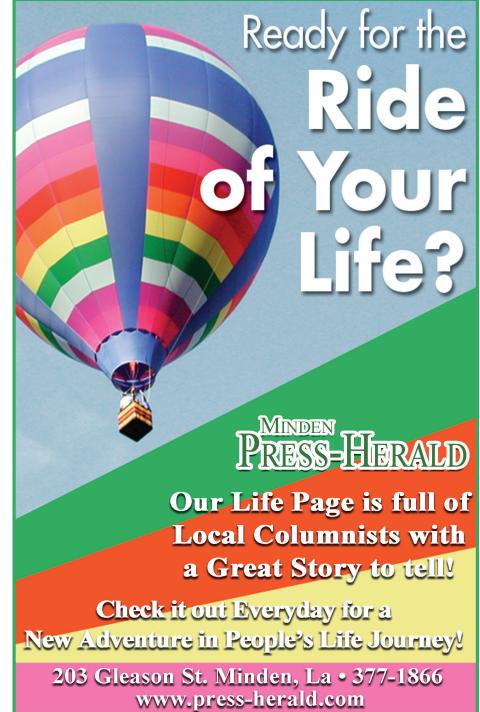
The update is partly funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Commerce's Economic Development Administration. The Daily Advertiser reported that once sites are nominated and

approved, the state will begin producing content such as maps and images to promote bird-watch-

Organizers are also looking at ways to use technology to promote wildlife education. Sharon Calcote of the Office of Tourism said during a meeting in Lafayette that one way might be creating a website about the trails that could also play bird calls.

"With the website, we can create these different avenues for visitors to pursue, which we didn't have 20 years ago," Calcote said.

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Life

STRANGER FROM A STRANGE LAND

Thanks for All the Fish

The fourth book in Douglas Adams' hilarious Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy series is titled So Long, and Thanks for All the Fish. The phrase is the parting goodbye to humans from Earth's dolphins upon their escape from our doomed planet destined for demoli-

The biographical byline of my column reads I'm currently a pharmacy technician at the local Walgreens. It was written by the newspaper editors. I don't object, it's been a truism for years. It's just not a way I describe myself. Identity is often inextricably linked with vocation, particularly for adults. Meet someone new and after learning their name, the second line of inquiry is usually asking what they do. Where they work. It gives you a descriptive bearing on their character I suppose. I'm more interested in their cosmology or politics but those are atypical queries. Some might not have formulated a stance they're willing to share with strangers.

Now we can change the "currently" to "was" past tense as I've hoped for a long time. To paraphrase poet John Gillespie Magee, I'm leaving the surly bonds of Walgreens for a new job at Overton Brooks Veterans Administration Medical Center in Shreveport. I'm staying a pharmacy technician, my surprise vocation since age 50.

I left the surly bonds of video production, a more glamorous trade, before I moved south. Advances in consumer technology made the industry more egalitarian. Shooting and editing quality video is affordable and accessible to everyone. Heretofore undiscovered diamonds and duds are shared with the world. Communication beyond the printed word is a welcome media smorgasbord, particularly for those who are not verbal-lin-

guistic learners.

When I left corporate video production for television broadcasting in 2008, I was delighted to discover my new employer utilized a combination of non-linear and linear editors. The print comparison of that sentence would be computer word processors and typewriters.

Linear editors utilized an edit controller which as the name implies controlled video tape decks. Dissolve or wipe transitions between shots are now as simple as



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a mouse click. In days of old, the edit controller cued up decks to preprogrammed destinations, gave the players some running time to get up to speed, and performed the edits. You could select Preview to audition or Edit to commit it to tape

At the Kansas City PBS affiliate, I told the younger producers about the glories of linear editing. I realized as we talked, I sounded silly. A living anachronism. It would be like a typewriter advocate trying to convince a word processor pilot to change technologies. Or an old flatbed film editor convincing me in the 1980s to forego modern video editing. Putting shows together is better served by younger people with more nimble fingers.

I physically cut and spliced a lot of reel-to-reel audio tape the old-fashioned way. There's a visceral satisfaction to the process. Like splicing and taping Super 8 film.

I'm glad I worked at a television station during the transition from analog to digital broadcasting. Perhaps you remember buying converter boxes. The new pictures were glorious. I dumped cable television for over the air broadcasting. An old television engineer told me cable com-

panies weren't yet equipped to deal with high-definition signals. It was akin to blasting fire hydrant water through a tiny garden hose. Changing from the old 4x3 aspect ratio to 16x9 widescreen was a perpetual post-production challenge dealing with archival footage. I learned so much.

Following TV station cutbacks, I spent nearly three years as a gig worker in venues as exciting as the World Series and as dreary as coiling what seemed miles of triaxial cable. In

2013, I attended a job fair and secured employment as something called a pharmacy technician at a mail order pharmacy in Overland Park, Kansas. I didn't know such a job existed but I needed a full-time job with benefits.

It was a factory but I liked that pharmacy. I left for retail when we put our Missouri house on the market for the third time in five years. I figured working at Walgreens could lead to a Louisiana transfer once we sold our house. The end of 2015 looked as bleak on the housing market as previous years and I figured I once again avoided that Sword of Damocles moving to Louisiana. Then someone bought our house.

Minden had a Walgreens but no available tech positions so I worked a few months in the north Bossier store. I've worked the Minden Walgreens since the summer of 2016 when an opening became available. I quickly discovered the Webster Parish client base like those in Missouri were very spirited in their quest for drugs. I grew cynical like an old beat cop because so many of my interactions are with hostile people. Pharmacy workers aren't the arbiters of controlled substance use but it feels that way to angry users when we give them news they don't want to hear.

Walgreens was intended as a temporary gig, an interstitial vocational bridge between Missouri and Louisiana. I worked there over six years. It reminds me of the adage even an atheist can respect. If you want to hear God laugh, make plans. I've had a couple job interviews in recent years but no offers. Until an old pharmacist friend extended a figurative rescue ladder.

Overton Brooks VA will be the fifth and hopefully final full-time job of my lifetime. I look forward to learning the hospital side of pharmacy, having spent eight years in mail order and retail. I count Walgreens my worst full-time job in terms of soul crushing interactions and unrealistic expectations. I spent years at Minden Walgreens and mere months at Missouri Walgreens. I've witnessed shocking behavior at both but I think the most chilling stories came from the Show-Me State.

We used to give candy to kids through the drive-thru window. One day an environmentally unconcerned parents tossed his child's cellophane sucker wrap out the window. It blew back on the hood of a car behind him in line. It was Go Time. The dad in the second car emerged swinging fists at the dad in the first. Road rage with both cars at a complete stop. Impressionable children in each vehicle enjoyed ringside seats to terrible behavior.

The Missouri store was robbed twice during my brief tenure. Both overnight when a young woman pharmacist was working alone. Junkies cased the joint by day, returned before the next sunrise and tricked the solo pharmacist to come out in the store. At knifepoint they made her take

them in the pharmacy and unlock the cabinet of controlled drug treasures. When next other robbers attacked weeks later, she fled the pharmacy. One criminal chased her and the overnight shift lead intervened to put her in a headlock. Walgreens has strict rules about confronting customers and you certainly aren't supposed to touch them. Yet the shift lead presented a convincing defense for his infraction. "What am I supposed to do when they're chasing my pharmacist down aisle 19?" He deservedly kept his job.

A store worker newly promoted to shift lead was considering employment elsewhere as an administrative assistant. The store manager tried to convince her to stay and enlisted my help. I told him I'd recently seen the flight risk worker cleaning Top Ramen noodle vomit as the kid's mother watched without helping. Rather than downplaying the incident of elimination, the manager chose to escalate the story.

"Ramen noodle vomit, that's nothing! Look what my friend in Des Moines texted me they did in his store!" He showed us cellphone pictures of human excrement on store walls in Iowa. The newly promoted shift lead departed the surly bonds. I hope she's in a happier place.

Thanks for All the Fish because Walgreens did bestow frequent pay raises. I lost count how many but certainly averaged more than one a year. Yet the retail environment taxes your life outlook like no other job. I liked many of the customers and people I worked with but when next you see me at Walgreens, I'll be standing in line like you.

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OLYMPICS

Sounds of the Games

NBC doesn't plan on adding crowd noise

By The Associated Press

One of Molly Solomon's favorite memories from the 2018 Pyeongchang Olympics was watching Lindsey Vonn in the start house. Cameras would focus on the skiing great, with microphones picking up her breathing while she listened to final instructions.

With no spectators in the stands during the Tokyo Games, Solomon is hoping to pick up on more of those moments.

The NBC Olympics executive producer said that the network will not add additional crowd noise to its coverage. The hope is that fans will hear the Games as they haven't been able to before, whether it is the action in the pool during swimming or conversations between competitors and coaches during gymnastics.

"You look at gymnastics and think about the distinctive intricacies of each apparatus, and we really feel like we'll be able to bring the viewer closer to the athlete's experience here in Tokyo than ever before," said Solomon, who is working her 11th Olympics for NBC.

The only crowd noise that viewers may hear is ambient crowd noise that venues might use to generate atmosphere for the athletes.



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La. Tech's Joe Aillet Stadium.

La. Tech picked to finish third in C-USA poll

Special to the Minden Press-Herald

Louisiana Tech was picked to finish third in Conference USA's West Division in a preseason vote conducted by a panel of media members that cover C-USA schools.

The panel forecast a rematch of the 2020 C-USA Championship Game, selecting Marshall and last year's conference champions, UAB, to win their divisions, respectively.

Louisiana Tech posted an overall 5-5 record in the 2020 season, including a 4-2 mark in C-USA play. The Bulldogs made their seventh-straight bowl appearance at the R+L Carriers New Orleans Bowl. Tech returns 55 letterwinners from the 2020 squad, including 17 starters.

UAB was tabbed the preseason

favorite in the West Division, followed by UTSA, Louisiana Tech, Southern Miss, Rice, North Texas and UTEP.

Marshall was selected to win the East Division, followed by Florida Atlantic, WKU, Charlotte, Middle Tennessee, FIU and Old Dominion.

The 17th annual Conference USA Football Championship Game, pitting the champions of the East and West Divisions, will be held in the first week of December. The 2021 C-USA Football season kicks off Saturday, August 20

Louisiana Tech opens the 2021 season at Mississippi State on Saturday, Sept. 4, at 3 p.m. Tech will then open a three-game home stretch against Southeastern Louisiana on Saturday, Sept. 11, at 6 p.m. inside Joe Aillet Stadium.

C-USA Pre-Season Rankings

EAST DIVISION

Marshall (17)
 Florida Atlantic (6)

3. WKU (1)

4. Charlotte

5. Middle Tennessee

6. FIU

7. Old Dominion

WEST DIVISION

1. UAB (15) 2. UTSA (9)

3. Louisiana Tech

Southern Miss

5. Rice

6. North Texas

7. UTEP

(First place votes in parentheses)

COLLEGE ATHLETICS

College coaches, administrators urging players to vaccinate

HOOVER, Ala. (AP)
— Over the summer,
Crimson Tide coach Nick
Saban urged his fellow
Alabama residents to get
vaccinated against the
coronavirus in a public

service announcement.

The thinking was that one of the most popular people in Alabama might help since the state has one of the lowest percentages of vaccinated people in the nation. The video shows cheerleaders, the Big Al mascot and scenes from Bryant-Denny Stadium with the unmistakable message: Protection against COVID-19 can help everyone get back to

normal.

It is also a point of emphasis for the defending national champion Crimson Tide and every other team hoping to minimize the risk of impacts from COVID-19 this season after last year's disrupted effort that saw dozens of games postponed or canceled.

It's a priority, and in some cases a challenge. Universities are struggling with whether they can legally require students to be vaccinated before returning to campuses, though Notre Dame, Michigan, UCLA, Washington and others

have taken that step.

Many others, certainly across the South, have not, leaving coaches like Saban to emphasize that vaccination decisions are a personal choice, but one that can impact the team

In the Southeastern Conference, Commissioner Greg Sankey said this week that six of the 14 football teams have at least 80% of their roster vaccinated — a number that "needs to grow and grow rapidly."

The six teams include Alabama since Saban indicated "pretty close to 90%" of his players are fully vaccinated, nearly triple the rate for the state's overall population.

Not every coach or program divulged their numbers at their respective leagues' media days. The ones that did varied widely.

Oklahoma State coach Mike Gundy said his team was about 55% vaccinated as of six weeks ago.

ago.
"I don't know where we're at now," Gundy said last week. "But as an individual, they have to make a decision if that's something they want to do. We all know the pros and cons of it."

The cons, besides personal health, include missing at least 10 days of practice and games in quarantine. And the chore of regular testing. Players who don't get vaccinated likely face multiple COVID-19 tests weekly, just like last season.

"I think that conflict of sticking something up your nose three times a week, all the headaches of wearing a mask, I think it wears people out," Pitt coach Pat Narduzzi said. "I don't want anything to do with it."

YOUTH SPORTS

NSU to host football camp in Bossier

Special to the Minden Press-Herald

NATCHITOCHES - The Northwestern State football team will get a head start on its road season next month.

The Demons will make a short trip north to host a free children's clinic at Bossier City's Freedom Fields at 11 a.m. Aug. 7.

The one-hour camp is open to children from kindergarten through eighth grade. Campers are asked to wear tennis shoes and comfortable clothing for the event, which takes place on the turfed fields fronting First Bossier Church at 2810 East Texas Street in Bossier City.

"FB Sport ministry at First Bossier is thrilled to partner with Northwestern State University to host a kids football clinic," said Matt Cate of FB Sport and associate pastor of adult discipleship and men's ministry at First Bossier. "To be able to watch a university close to our hearts engage with our flag football league will be an amazing event, not just for the kids, but for league coaches, adults and alumni. This is a very important partnership that we look forward to growing in the years to come."

Attendees will enjoy interaction and instruction from Northwestern State players and coaches, and each camper will receive a free ticket to the Demons' Sept. 18 home opener against UT Martin.

We are looking forward to the camp for several reasons," said head coach Brad Laird, whose Demons open the season with back-to-back road games at North Texas (Sept. 4) and Alcorn (Sept. 11). "One is the chance to work with children and teach them the game we love. Two, we always enjoy going to the Shreveport-Bossier City area, which is filled with NSU alumni and has produced some very good players for Northwestern State."

The camp will be limited to 300 children. To sign up, visit www.NSUDemons. com/footballclinic.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

S W A C SWAGGER

Grambling picked to finish third in conference

Special to the Minden Press-Herald

The Grambling State University football team was picked to finish third in the Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) Preseason poll, which was announced by the league office on Tuesday morning during Media Day at the Sheridan-Birmingham hotel.

In addition to being picked third, redshirt ju-

nior defensive back Kenan Fontenot was named to the All-SWAC Preseason Second Team.

"We are looking forward to the upcoming season and the challenges of a tough schedule," Grambling State head football coach Broderick Fobbs said. "We know the preseason poll is just a measuring stick and we look forward to being able to compete week in and week out in the conference."

Grambling State garnered 85 points to claim the third spot in the SWAC Western Division as Alcorn State was predicted to win the division with 128 points. Southern, with 108 points, was tabbed second. Prairie View A&M (78), Arkansas-Pine Bluff (68) and Texas Southern (37) rounded out the Western Division.

Alabama A&M, the SWAC Spring season champions, was picked to win the Eastern Division over conference newcomer Florida A&M with 122 FOOTBALL

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SWAC media days were held this week in Birmingham, Ala.

points. FAMU was selected second with 109 points and Jackson State third with 80 points. Alabama State (76), Bethune-Cookman (71) and Mississippi Valley State (25) rounded out the Eastern Division.

Alabama A&M quarterback Aqeel Glass was chosen as the SWAC Preseason Player of the Year, while Southern's Jordan Lewis earned the SWAC Preseason Defensive Player of the Year honor.

Grambling State opens the 2021 season on Sunday, Sept. 5 in the Black College Hall of Fame Game in Canton, Ohio against Tennessee State. GSU holds the all-time series mark, 22-18-1, which dates back to 1950. The matchup in Canton will be the first between the two historic programs since 2002 when Grambling State defeated TSU, 49-14.

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GOOD NEWS

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Living the Beatitudes Daily

In studying through Matthew's Gospel, 'camped' in Chapters 5-7 - The Beatitudes - for a while. By reading them over and over, I thought the teachings would 'stick to me' and that would be enough. But the more I studied them, the more I realized Jesus wants us to incorporate them into our daily living as we follow Him. That sounds like work to me!

Oh, but the blessings that come from obeying the Master's teaching! Soon after Jesus' baptism and his victory over Satan in the wilderness, He began his public ministry. The 'hour' had struck, the call to action had come, and He must go forth on His crusade. (Barclay). He knew His mission and

He was ready for the challenge. Matthew records how Jesus began calling His disciples together (3:18-22). His promise was to make them "fish-

ers of men and not just fishermen." Others began to follow to hear his teachings and witness the miracles that He did. Our



first recorded teaching sessions are referred to as The Beatitudes. This was His message He wanted to pass on to the disciples, and they would pass on to others. This might be considered the 'ordination sermon' for the disciples. In this Sermon on the Mount we find the His core and foundation-

al teachings He shared with the disciples. Matthew and Luke give us their 'take' of the Mount Sermon, with some variation. Both accounts are

> rich in tips for godly living and service for us today.

It is said by scholars, "Matthew collected Jesus' teachings into one whole

pattern; Luke took the pattern, broke it up and scattered the pieces all over his gospel." We know this was not just one sermon He preached, but a summary of the consistent teaching to His disciples. Today we might use the 'retreat' concept for a Master teacher to use to teach concepts and truths

for His team to use in future assignments. Jesus chose the hillside.

When Jesus went up the hill to teach, His disciples followed Him. He sat down and began to teach. (Master teachers sat and their followers sat around them, eager to hear every word). As He looked around, He made eye contact with them and began to share Himself. Imagine Jesus saying: "This is very important and I don't want you to miss any of it." When Jesus opened His mouth, it was more than idle talk. This expression was used to speak of a solemn, grave and dignified utterance. He was really opening His heart and fully pouring out His mind. These were the right-hand team in His task of taking the Good News to the world. It has been referred to as 'nothing less than the concentrated memory of many hours of heart-to-heart communion between the disciples and their Master.' And then Jesus began teaching....

men He chose to be His

teaching.... "Blessed are the poor in spirit; Blessed are those who mourn; Blessed are the meek; Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness; Blessed are the merciful; Blessed are the pure in heart; Blessed are the peacemakers; Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake; Blessed are those who are insulted and falsely accused. Rejoice and be

glad when you are persecuted because of Me, for your reward will be great; You are blessed", Jesus said.

This passage is worthy of our dwelling at length comprehend to fully what the Master Teacher is conveying to His disciples. Our assignment is to incorporate these challenges into our daily lives, putting to test each one as we allow the Lord to direct our paths. . And then our lives will be truly 'salt and light' to share with a hopeless and sinsick world. (Robert Schuler spoke of them as being "Be-happy-attitudes").

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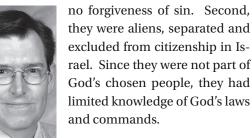
THE UPWARD LOOK

Without Christ

"At that time you were without Christ, excluded from the citizenship of Israel, and foreigners to the covenants of promise, without hope and without God in the world." Ephesians 2:12 CSB

Paul described five ways **Max Hutto** the Gentiles were spiritual-

ly bankrupt. First, they were without Christ. While their culture was filled with religions and gods, they had no expectation or concept of a coming Messiah, a Redeemer who would save them from their sin. Without Christ they had



Lord Jesus, help me to share Your gospel message for many people continue to be without

understanding of Your salvation or of Your Word, the Bible.

MAX HUTTO IS A BAPTIST MINISTER AND A RESIDENT OF MINDEN. MORE INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND AT WWW.UPWARDLOOK.ORG.





FUN & GAMES

On This Day In History

1995 Comet Hale—Bopp discovered Also known as C/1995 O1 by the scientific community, this well known comet was discovered independently by Alan Hale and Thomas Bopp.

1992 Abkhazia declares independence from Georgia
The Republic of Abkhazia, is a disputed territory of Georgia and is recognized as an independent state by only a handful of counties including Russia, Nicaragua, Venezuela, Nauru, Tuvalu.

1982 International
Whaling Commission
bans commercial whale
hunting
The International
Whaling Commission
(IWC) passed a resolution to restrict com-

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CRYPTOQUIP 7-23 CRYPTOQUIP

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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Y equals T



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Clue: One who instructs

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Guess Who?

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I am a singer and actress born in Canada on August 13, 1999. I started singing at age five and learned to play several instruments. I became known for my role alongside my sister on a popular television series taking place in the heart of Tennessee.

Answer: Lennon Stella

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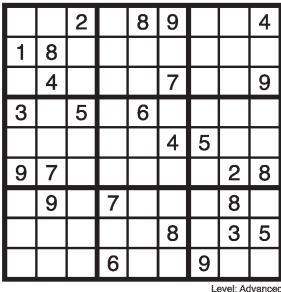




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Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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Thursday's unlisted clue: JAMES

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Friday's unlisted clue hint: A MEXICAN PENINSULA

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HISTORY

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1972 Landsat 1 launched The first satellite in the US's LANDSAT program, the Landsat discovered an uninhabited island off the eastern coast of Canada in 1976. The island is now called Landsat Island.

1962 First live transatlantic television signal Telstar 1, a communications satellite relayed the world's first transatlantic television signal in the form of a show 7/23 that featured Walter Cronkite

COMICS

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60 Shell Street

Minden, Louisiana <u>71055</u> City, State, Zip Separate sealed BIDS for the construction of <u>Wastewater</u> Treatment Plant Improvements - Flow Equalization Tank

will be received by the VILLAGE OF **DIXIE INN** at the 60 Shell Street, Minden LA 71055 until **2:00** P.M. TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 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 DOCU-MENTS may be obtained at the office of COTHREN, GRAFF, SMOAK ENGINEER-ING, 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

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I, James Edwards, #491893 have applied for clemency for my conviction of Armed Robbery and Manslaughter. If you have any comments, contact the Board of Pardons (225) 342-

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Village of Dixie Inn Regular Session July 13, 2021

NOTICE: THESE MINUTES HAVE NOT BEEN FOR-MALLY APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the Village of Dixie Inn met in regular session on July 13, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, Dixie Inn, Louisiana with the following members present: Mayor Kay Hallmark-Stratton, Aldermen Donna Hoffoss, Judy McKenzie, and Lance

Milligan. The meeting was called to order and the invocation and pledge of allegiance were given.

There were no public comments. Mayor Kay Hallmark-Stratton asked to add to the agenda an item E to discuss body armor for the Police Department. A motion was made by Donna Hoffoss and seconded by Lance Milligan to add item E to the agenda. Vote on the motion was unanimous.

Mayor Kay Hallmark-Stratton welcomed guests.

A motion was made by Donna Hoffoss and seconded by Lance Milligan to adopt the minutes of the regular session of June 8, 2021. Vote on the motion was unanimous.

Financial statements of all funds. including a current budget vs. actual, were presented. A motion was made by Judy McKenzie and seconded by Lance Milligan to adopt all financial statements for June 2021. Vote on the motion was unanimous.

Department Reports:

Mike Chreene reported all is well with the water department. The new shop building in the water yard has been completed.

Chief James Edwards officially commended Sergeant Alan Davis for his participation in the life-saving efforts for the officer involved shooting call of the Webster Parish deputy.

Mayor Kay Hallmark-Stratton reported there will be a webinar on LA Broadband on July 20, 2021, at 12 noon. LRWA will be here on July 14, 2021, to complete the rate study required by LCDBG regarding the LCDBG project.

New Business:

A motion was made by Judy McKenzie and seconded by Donna Hoffoss to accept and allow Mayor Stratton to sign the 2020-2021 annual Audit Engagement letter with Cook & Morehart. Vote on the motion was unanimous.

A motion was made by Judy McKenzie and seconded by Lance Milligan to allow for the purchase of two new radar units for the Police Department, which is included in the Police Department Capital Outlay budget, and allow to amend budget to cover additional costs, if any, by using Police savings or unreserved funds. Vote on the motion

was unanimous.

A motion was made by Judy McKenzie and seconded by Donna Hoffoss to allow Mayor Kay Hallmark-Stratton to purchase a generator, which is included in the Capital Outlay budget, for the Village Hall and Police Department and to amend budget to cover additional costs, if any, by using unreserved funds or Sales Tax savings. Vote on the motion was unanimous.

Mayor Kay Hallmark-Stratton discussed the possibility of Amended Ordinance #38-D concerning utility fee collection for residential rental property. Mayor Stratton may call for a workshop to be held regarding Ordinance #38-D. Matter was tabled until after the LRWA rate study on July 14, 2021.

Chief James Edwards discussed the possibility of upgrading the body armor for the Police Department. A motion was made by Judy McKenzie and seconded by Lance Milligan for the purchase of two new speed plates for the Police Department. Vote on the motion was unanimous.

Old Business:

Chief James Edwards is continuing to gather information for a new police department vehicle.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Judy McKenzie and seconded by Donna Hoffoss. Vote on the motion was unanimous.

ATTEST: Kay Hallmark-Stratton Mayor

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SHERIFF'S SALE

HOME POINT MORTGAGE AC-CEPTANCE CORP. ERIC C. SIMMONS A/K/A ERIC CAR-

ROLL SIMMONS 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 appraisement and according to law at the principal front

house in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana on WEDNESDAY, July 28, 2021,

door of the Court-

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 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, MORTGAG-**ES 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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SHERIFF'S SALE

U.S. BANK, N.A., SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE TO LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCI-ATION, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF BEAR STEARNS ASSET BACKED SECURITIES 1 TRUST 2006-HE9, ASSET-BACKED **CERTIFICATES** SERIES 2006-HE9 VIKKI PARKER WIL-LIAMS AND LARRY

In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. 79290

WILLIAMS

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 appraisement and according to law at the principal front door of the Courthouse in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana on WEDNESDAY, July 28, 2021, During the legal sale hours, the following property, to wit:

By virtue of a WRIT

OF SEIZURE AND

SALE issued out

NUMBER ONE (1), a second resubdivision of part of LOTS TWO through TWELVE (2-12) of CANEY LAKE DRIVE SUBDIVI-SION, located in the Southwest Quarter (SW/4) of Section 16. Township 19 North, Range 9 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana, as per map and plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Clerk of Court, Webster Parish, Louisiana, together with all and singular the improvements thereon and all rights thereunto belonging. (the "Property")

LOT NUMBER

EIGHT (8), CANEY

LAKE SUBDIVISION

SOLD SUBJECT TO ANY SUPERIOR LIENS, MORTGAG-**ES 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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SHERIFF'S SALE

PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC PHILLIP MOORE

A/K/A PHILLIP LEONARD MOORE AND MIGUEL A. BALTIERRA, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE P1004155423W TRUST, A LAND TRUST

In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. 79098

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 appraisement and according to law at the principal front door of the Courthouse in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana on WEDNESDAY, August 25, 2021, During the legal sale hours, the following property, to wit:

ALL THAT PARCEL

OF LAND IN WEST-

ER PARISH, STATE OF LOUISIANA, AS MORE FULLY DE-SCRIBED IN DEED BOOK 1057, PAGE 566, ID# 130647, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT 4, 5, 6, PARKSIDE LAND-ING, UNIT 2, FILED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 48; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

That certain manufactured/mobile home situated on the above described property, being a 2008 Waverlee Homes, Model - Waverlee 3270, Serial No. 17L11369X/U, HUD No. NTA145106/7, which said manufactured home/mobile home was immobilzed pursuant to Affidavit to Immobilize Manufactured/Modular Home dated February 6, 2008 and filed for record as Instrument No. 501771 of the records of Webster Parish, Louisiana.

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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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PUBLIC NOTICE

Minden Planning Commission Meeting

August 12, 2021 -10:00 a.m.

Pelican Room -Minden City Hall

On the agenda

is a request from

Jamecia Johnson (option holder) on property owned by Guy H. Sanders located at 1105 Sibley Road for a zoning change from B-4 (Hwy. Commercial) to R-2 (Single Family Residential)

The purpose of this zoning change is

a single family residence or place a modular home on the property. Legal Description: LOT #1, BLK. "A", MILLER'S SHOP SUBDIV.

to be able to build

will be given a chance to be heard. July 23, 2021 July 30, 2021

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All interested parties

SHERIFF'S SALE

August 6, 2021

21ST. MORTGAGE CORPORATION **AMY L. STEWART**

In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. 79389 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 appraisement and according to law at the principal front door of the Courthouse in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana on WEDNESDAY, August 4, 2021 During the legal sale hours, the following

2013 Southern Homes 28 x 56 mobile home bearing serial number SA4061456ALA and

property, to wit:

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SA4061456ALB

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

Deputy July 23, 2021

Linda Vaughan -

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SHERIFF'S SALE

B1 BANK

DARLENA S WES-<u>LEY</u> In the Twenty-Sixth

Judicial District Court

of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. CV79419

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

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Apartments

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Bedrooms

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Minden, LA 71055

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Villa

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Minden, LA

Carefree Independent

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into my possession and will offer for sale at public auction to the last and highest bidder for cash WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law at the principal front door of the Courthouse in the City of Minden, Webster Parish. Louisiana on WEDNESDAY, August 4, 2021 During the legal sale hours, the following property, to wit:

"2010 Dodge Challenger SE, VIN 2B3CJ4D-V2AH139567

SOLD SUBJECT TO ANY SUPE-RIOR 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 Webster Parish.

Linda Vaughan -Deputy

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF MINDEN, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN IN SPE-CIAL SESSION **HELD ON** JULY 20, 2021.

The Minden City

Council met at City Hall. Minden. Louisiana, beginning at 10:00 a.m. with the following members present: Mayor Terry Gardner, Wayne Edwards, Vincen Bradford, Michael Roy and Pam Bloxom. Absent: Terika Williams-Walker. Mayor Gardner welcomed evervone 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 Michael Roy and Wayne Edwards led the Pledge of Allegiance The following

action was taken regarding a condemned property: Larry D. Davenport

2245 Soda Lake Circle Shreveport, LA 71107

525 Sullivan Street Lot fronting 55.5 ft. on Sullivan St. x 108.7 x 90.4 x 114 ft. in SW/4 of NW/4 Sec.

Mr. Davenport, the property owner, was present and acknowledged that the structure located on the property needed to be removed and the lot cleaned. Pam Bloxom moved to authorize the Mayor to issue an order declaring the property condemned and further order the immediate demolition of any structures located thereon and the cleaning of the lot. The motion was duly seconded by Michael

Public comments were heard, there were no council comments and the meeting was adjourned.

Roy and carried

unanimously.

Terry L. Gardner, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michael Fluhr. Acting City Clerk

July 23, 2021 Minden Press-Herald TNT. LLC. owner

of Germantown Storage (318-377-9733) located at 609 Germantown Rd., Minden. will have an auction to take place on www.

StorageAuctions. com starting August 3, 2021 and ending on August 17, 2021 at

Germantown 117 Autumn Langley books, clothes Sports memorabilia

10:15 am.

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BDI II. LLC. (318-377-9733) owner of East 80 Storage located at 14963 East Hwy 80, Minden to take place on www. StorageAuctions. com starting August 3, 2021 and ending on August 17, 2021 at 10:00 am.

East 80 - 153 Trevor Parr propane burner, cookware, toys,

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RENTAL

One bedroom apartment in Minden. Central air/ heat. \$500/ month. \$500 deposit. (318)

364-0023

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EMPLOYMENT Claiborne Parish Office of Com-

munity Services is looking to hire a part time driver. Applicant must meet the following: Be at least 25 years of age, have a high school diploma or equivalent, safe driving record, physical

capability to perform duties such as keeping vehicles clean, have a chauffeur's license or a Class B and be willing to attend trainings. This position is part time and hours vary from day to day, must be available Monday through Friday 4:30 AM to 4:45 PM. Back-

around check

and drug/alcohol

screening will

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ees. Applications

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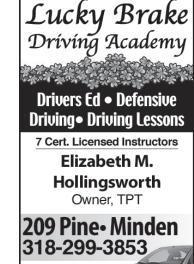
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