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HALLOWEEN SEASON

Webster Parish Libraries to host family friendly Trunk or Treat

Special to the Minden Press-Herald

Webster Parish Libraries is gearing up to host a Family Friendly Parish Wide Trunk or Treat Halloween Celebration. The theme for the event is “Willie Wonka and the Chocolate Factory.”

Two dates are set: Minden Main Branch Date - Thursday, October 28, 2021, 4:30 to 6:30 pm. The Minden Main Branch has partnered with the Greater Minden Chamber of Commerce for this date.

Mack Branch - Wednesday, October 27, 2021, 4:30 - 6:30 pm.

Attractions for both events include face painting, leap land bounce house, and Pam’s Ponies & petting zoo.

Kids can come in costume for Halloween library fun and Trunk or Treat with members of the local community in the safety of our parking

lot. The event is for kids of all ages parish-wide.

Kids are encouraged to stop by the Webster Parish Libraries van, where a select number of golden tickets are in the candy bags being given away. If you find one of the golden tickets in your bag, come to the library the following week to redeem your prize.

The library is asking area businesses or organizations with vehicles to sign up for a parking spot. Then, the idea is to decorate the trunks of those vehicles in the Halloween spirit and hand out candy to trick-or-treaters. Set up time will begin at 3:30 for both events.

The library encourages area businesses or organizations to bring pre-packaged business cards, information packets, and brochures to pass out with your candy.

If inclement weather occurs, the event will move inside of the library.

CHAMBER GALA 2021

A good time was had by all

WILL PHILLIPS
Minden Press-Herald

Last Thursday evening the Greater Minden Chamber hosted their 79th Annual Awards Gala in the Civic Center. The Gala gives the community of Minden to recognize individuals and businesses who go above and beyond in their efforts to make their city feel like home to one and all.

The room was doused in red, black, and gold with centerpieces from Red Blooms brightening up every table. The meal for the evening was catered by Hugh Wood’s Specialty Meats, with Glenbrook students aiding in serving meals to the guests.

The Emcee’s for the night were none other than Tracey Campbell and Jake Chapman, returning for another year to keep the evening on schedule, announce the winners, and entertain the crowd.

Each year the Gala awards particular businesses and business people for their savvy as well as impact on the community at large. This year the Small Business of the Year went to Minden Farm and Garden, the Business of the Year went to Meadowview Health & Rehab Center, and the Business Person of the year was awarded to Catherine Hunt - Better Homes and Garden Real Estate, Lindsey Realty.

The Chamber also recognizes a non-profit each year who demonstrates a selfless desire to better the lives of those less fortunate. Chosen for this Year’s Community Partner of the Year was Mercy’s Closet.

2020 and 2021 have brought along their

WILL PHILLIPS/PRESS-HERALD PHOTO

At the 79th Annual Awards Gala, Woman of the Year was presented to Tokia Whiting-Harrison (pictured right), and Man of the Year was presented to Jake Chapman (pictured left)

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This year at the Awards Gala, the Small Business of the Year was awarded to Minden Farm and Garden. For a full list of winners and pictures, check out our gallery at [press-herald.com](https://www.press-herald.com).

own challenges. With COVID-19 spreading around the world, nurses, doctors, and medical staff have been pushed to the limit caring for the people that have been affected by the virus.

Because of this, the Camber saw fit to recognize

Minden Medical Center and award them a special Pandemic Hero Award as a token of thanks for all that the hospital has had to undertake keeping our community healthy and safe.

Last but not least, each year the Chamber reaches

out for community input from the Minden Lions Club and Young Women’s Service Club to decide upon the Man and Woman of the Year.

The Woman of the Year for 2021 was none

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SECOND FRONT

COMMUNITY

National Nigh Out Coming to Minden Oct. 12, Deadline to Register Oct. 8

STAFF REPORT
Minden Press-Herald

Councilman Michael Roy, Chairperson for National Night Out, along with Mayor Terry L. Gardner, Police Chief Steve Cropper and the other members of the City Council, invite neighborhoods city-wide to support the theme, "Give Neighborhood Crime & Drugs A Going Away Party". Neighborhoods throughout the City of Minden are being invited to join forces with thousands of communities nation-wide for the Annual National Night Out (NNO), crime and drug prevention event. NNO is designed to (1) Heighten crime and

drug prevention awareness; (2) Generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime efforts; (3) Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and (4) Send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. On Tuesday, October 12, 2021, from 6-8 p.m., residential neighborhoods throughout the City of Minden and across the nation are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors and police. Many neighborhoods in Minden will be hosting a variety of special events such as block parties,

cookouts, parades, visits from police, flashlight walks, contests, youth activities and anti-crime and anti-drug rallies. Those interested in hosting a block party can register at City Hall or call 377-2144, beginning Thursday, September 16, 2021. You may also print the registration form via the city's website, www.mindenusa.com, complete it and return it to NNO City of Minden, Attn: Wanda Pittman, P. O. Box 580, Minden, LA 71058 or drop it off in person at City Hall or through the utility drive thru. The deadline for registering a party is 4 p.m. on Friday, October 8, 2021.

CRIME

Fight with needles, pool sticks breaks out at Green Park Bar

STAFF REPORT
Minden Press-Herald

Webster Parish Deputies were dispatched to a residence on the 100 block of Green park Resort in Doyline in reference to a large fight with weapons that transpired earlier last week. Upon arrival the deputy made contact with Jacob Woodrone, who said that, "Jason Garrison stabbed him with a needle in the Green Park Bar," according to the booking report. During their investigation video surveillance re-

vealed that Jacob was the one who came into the bar and initially started antagonizing Jason. "The two were in the bar area at first when they squared off with each other. Jacob punched Jason, Jason then stabbed Jacob with a needle as they were fighting. The two separated for a moment, and once they came onto the Webster parish side of the bar, Jacob began chasing Jason with a pool stick and then striking Jason with the pool stick. The pool stick was broken over Jason's back," the report stated.

Bossier Sheriff's Office arrested Jason because the fight originated on the Bossier Parish side of the bar. They also issued Jacob a citation for battery. "Due to Jacob using the pool stick as a dangerous weapon striking Jason with it, he was arrested for aggravated battery in Webster Parish," the report stated. The broken pool stick was taken as evidence as well as the video surveillance. After being checked out by EMS and refusing transport, he was then transported to the BDCC for booking.

BLOTTER

Recent Arrest in Webster Parish

Timothy Marques, 38, of 1400 block of Lewisville Road, was arrested for driving under the influence, improper lane usage, and impeding traffic. Michael Malone, 40, of the 900 block of Sand Hill Road, was arrested for being a fugitive of the Bien-

ville Sheriff's Office. Demarcus Bailey, 28, of the 700 block of Jackson Street, was arrested for failure to appear in court. Neal Moore, 54, of the 400 block of South Street, was arrested one two counts of theft and two counts of trespassing. Cornel Jordan, 32, of

the 600 block of Walnut Street, was arrested for driving while intoxicated and for missing tail lights. Brittney Smith, 32, of the 400 block of Goodwill Street, was arrested for failure to appear in court. Micahel Williams, 39, of the 300 block of Lewisville Loop, was arrested for operating a vehicle

with a suspended license, running a red light, and failure to appear for an arrangement. Cameron Melone, 19, of the 100 block of Squire Street, was arrested for first degree rape. Jacoby Mason, 30, of the 600 block of Pine Street, was arrested on multiple warrants.

Thomas McIver, 41, of the 1000 block of Highway 163, was arrested for damage to property. Jasmin Jiles, 34, of the 200 block of Joel Street, was arrested for aggravated assault with a firearm. Marquette Burks, 24, of the 700 block of Central School Road, was arrest-

ed for simple criminal damage to property. Michael Bryant, 69, of the 100 block of Brushy Creek Road, was arrested for contempt of court. Nicholas Barbo, 26, of the 800 block of Mason Felts Road, was arrested on multiple warrants.

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Prepared by Secretary of State R. Kyle Ardoin pursuant to Executive Order No. 2021 JBE 13

WEBSTER & MORE

3 DAY PLANNING FORECAST

FIRST ALERT WEATHER

KSLA NEWS 12

A wetter pattern sets up for the ArkLaTex beginning Tuesday. I dont expect a washout each day for everyone but the chances increase so keep the umbrella nearby. Temperatures with the rain will stay in the 80s!

	TUE	WED	THU
50%	50%	50%	50%
TEMP	87	79	83
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OBITUARIES



Mrs. Dorothy Ward Peoples

Mrs. Dorothy (“Dot”) W. Peoples, 74, transitioned on the morning of September 20, 2021.

Dorothy was born on April 29, 1947, in Doyline, Louisiana the first born of Louis and Gradie Ward. She grew up in Doyline, attending and graduating from Webster High School in Minden, LA in 1965. After graduation, joined the U.S. Air Force, serving her country and was honorably discharged after completing her 4-year tour of duty in 1969.

Being trained as a key punch operator, the precursor to computer programming, she began her professional civilian career working at Omaha National Bank. She was employed in a variety of jobs, retiring from The Defense Logistics Agency after 30 years of Federal government service.

Dorothy accepted Christ at an early age, joining Zion Hill Baptist Church in Doyline, LA. She remained a faithful servant throughout her life, practicing her faith by attending church and being of service to those in

need of direction.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Luther James Ward. She leaves to cherish her memories and to continue her legacy of love and service:

Seven (7) siblings: Doris Ward, Grace Boyd (Osvell), Thelma Ward, Sybil Myers, Louis Ward, Jr. (Adriane), Stella Jacobs (Carlton), and Mattie Ward.

Fifteen (15) nieces and nephews: Carla Ward, Angela Bryant (Jerome), Anthony Boyd, Timothy Ward, Sr. (Lucinda), D’metrus Myers, Krystal Lewis (Aundra), Enrique Montoya (Jamie), Daudi Ward (Nikki), Marvin Ward (Jennine), Danaya Bryant, (Omarr), Arthur Myers, Robert Myers, Carlin Jacobs, Graianne Ward, Louis D. Ward III, a host of grand nieces and nephews, a great grand nephew, relatives and friends.

Viewing for Mrs. Peoples will be on Friday, October 1, 2021 at Benevolent Funeral Home, 401 E Union St, Minden, LA 71055, between the hours of 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Graveside services will be held on Saturday, October 2, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. at Jenkins Community Cemetery, under the direction of Benevolent Funeral Home, Minden, LA.



Zachary Hickingbottom

Graveside services for Zachary Hickingbottom will be held Monday, September 27, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. at Pine Grove Cemetery in Minden, Louisiana under the direction of Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden, Louisiana. The family will receive friends from 11:00 a.m. until 1:15 p.m. prior the service time at Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden.

Zachary was born February 9, 1997, in Minden, Louisiana and entered into rest September 23, 2021, in Ruston, Louisiana.

He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Rebecca Hickingbottom; grandfather, Jerry Thornton; cousin, Slade Thomas; aunt, Amy Hesser; and special friends, Joseph Beene and Jamie Rayner.

He is survived by his parents, Jessica and Junior Jolley

and Scott and B.J. Hickingbottom; grandparents, Lori Allen, Johnny Butler, Sr., Willie Hickingbottom, and Elaine Thornton; sisters, Faith Ruthardt, Kelsey Hickingbottom, and Karrington Hickingbottom, Ashleigh and Justice Butler, Haleigh Averitt and Tabitha Lucky; brothers, Noah Hickingbottom, Dalton Taylor, Preston Chreene, Chris Hickingbottom, and Taylor Reno; girlfriend, Kelsi Willis and her daughter, Elizabeth; other role models in his life, Johnny and Todd Butler, Joe Hickingbottom, Michael Ruthardt , Bobby Reno, and John Osgood; and numerous nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Pallbearers will be J.T. Lewis, Trestin James, Preston Chreene, Justin Billups, Skylar Butler and Dylan Butler.

Honorary pallbearers will be Duante Manuel, Taylor Reno, Connor Houston, Dylan Simpson, and Nick Petty.

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other than Tokia Whiting-Harrison, a member of the Minden Police Department as well as the School Resource Officer for Minden High School. Whiting demonstrates how far compassion can go through the way she builds relationships with the students she presides over, and earlier this year one of these relationships led to her being able to save the life of a young former student.

In a bit of a twist, the man who had been introducing the winners of these awards for years was now going to be receiving one himself, with the Man of the Year going to one of the emcee’s, Jake Chapman. Chapman is unquestionably involved in his community. If anyone has attended a local Minden High football game, they would undoubtedly recognize his voice being broadcasted across the field, commentating the

game taking place below.

Over the past year, Chapman was charged with managing the Paycheck Protection Program at Gibbsland Bank & Trust. The PPP program helped a lot of local businesses to keep doors open when the world came to a halt, and Chapman played a direct role in the program running smoothly, and as a result helped to save Minden’s economic future.

There is a lot of good that takes place in the City of Minden, done by people who more often than not would rather humbly do the work that needs to be done than bask in any deserved appreciation. However, good deeds deserve to be recognized, and The Awards Gala for the Minden Community at large to do so, and thank the people responsible for bringing Minden to a better tomorrow.

OPINION

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OTHER OPINION

New Orleans mulls options amid anger at utility giant

There was brinksmanship with a whiff of ransom.

In the aftermath of a city-wide blackout that lasted for days after Hurricane Ida hit on Aug. 29, dissatisfaction among residents and city leaders was growing with utility company Entergy New Orleans and its parent, utility giant Entergy Corp.

New Orleans City Council President Helena Moreno called for an investigation of the generation and transmission problems that led to a blackout related to Ida; a study on retail competition and utility ownership in New Orleans and a management audit of Entergy New Orleans. She also suggested there could be a suspension in any rate changes for the utility.

"It is obvious that we have reached a critical juncture in our relationship with the City Council," Entergy Corp. executive Rod West said in a statement in response that said the corporation might give the city what it wants, whatever that might be.

There was the possible municipalization of New Orleans' power system, putting the city among approximately 20 other cities and towns in Louisiana that operate their own systems.

There was the possibility that Entergy might merge its New Orleans subsidiary with En-

tergy Louisiana, which serves much of the state — and which is regulated by the Louisiana Public Service Commission.

The sale of Entergy New Orleans to another entity or the spinoff of a non-Entergy utility were also broached.

Each of the options outlined by Entergy has its pros and cons. Should a city facing numerous infrastructure problems, including an aging street drainage system, take on the



KEVIN MCGILL

city face higher or lower costs than a company?

Entergy said a merger of its New Orleans and Louisiana subsidiaries would result in lower rates in New Orleans. But it also means regulation would shift from the City Council to the Louisiana Public Service Commission, political power the locals might not want to cede as they seek to check the power of a monopoly that provides a vital service.

The possibility of selling the

utility or spinning off a separate company would keep the council's regulatory authority, but, as West's statement suggested, there are no guarantees that a buyer could be found or that another company would have lower costs.

Complicating the argument were talking points Moreno said she received from the company last week. Moreno said they appeared to have been sent accidentally and Entergy spokesman Jerry Nappi said, in response to an email query, that they were. Regardless, they made clear that Entergy was ready to raise the possibility that its headquarters might move from New Orleans if it doesn't operate a utility in the city any more.

The company says it employs 3,200 in the metropolitan New Orleans area. And the suggestion that Entergy could leave might stir uncomfortable memories of the migration of oil company headquarters out of the city beginning in the 1980s.

The latest criticism of Entergy comes after all eight transmission lines serving the city failed during Ida and the collapse of a high voltage tower by the Mississippi River; also, amid debate over whether a new gas-fired generation plant in eastern New Orleans, opposed by many who didn't

want a fossil-fuel plant in their neighborhood, performed as it was supposed to during the hurricane.

And memories remain fresh for many that the council approved construction of that plant, despite strident opposition, after Entergy was fined \$5 million over the use of secretly paid actors to show up at public hearings in support of the plant.

Anger at Entergy flared anew after Ida left hundreds of thousands in the city sweltering for days. Critics say the utility hasn't done enough to "harden" its system in preparation for major storms, or to move with sufficient speed to renewable energy sources, allegations the company denies.

After lengthy hearings Wednesday, New Orleans' council voted Thursday for a series of proposals, broad in scope, but none promising a quick resolution. Among them is a request for proposals for consultants who will study the options before the council.

"This isn't a push to do any one of these things," Moreno said during Thursday's meeting. "Not to bring in another company, not to municipalize, not to whatever. We just don't know. This is really a push for more information."

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OTHER OPINION

Snooping undermines case for postal banking

ROSS MARCHAND
Taxpayers Protection Alliance

There's no shortage of (bad) ideas to reform the United States Postal Service (USPS). Unfortunately, many of these proposals merit a "return to sender" label.

One oft-discussed example is postal banking, which has repeatedly been suggested by lawmakers such as U.S. Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.) and even President Joe Biden. Proponents continue to call for the USPS to take up banking even amid reports that the agency is inappropriately snooping on Americans' social media accounts. And, privacy hawks should be more alarmed at the idea of government banking as the Biden administration proposes intrusive Internal Revenue Service (IRS) monitoring of Americans' banking activities. Lawmakers need to confront a government run amok rather than calling for federal banking.

Through successive Congresses, advocates of postal banking have attached different rhetoric to their proposals. For example, Sen. Sherrod Brown (D-Oh.) wants "to help hardworking Americans"

through the pandemic by giving them access to free bank accounts at their local Post Office. Given that there are plenty of companies offering no-fee bank accounts with no minimum deposit requirements, it is unclear how postal banking would help these struggling Americans.

The drawbacks of postal banking, though, extend far beyond superfluousness.

The USPS has a disturbing track record of spying on Americans and unwittingly allowing criminals to also snoop around private information. In April 2021, Yahoo News reported that the agency runs an investigation unit known as the Internet Covert Operations Program (iCOP) which sounds more like a CIA op than a postal division. According to the news outlet, "[t]he work involves having analysts trawl through social media sites to look for what the document describes as 'inflammatory' postings and then sharing that information across government agencies." As if that isn't creepy enough, the agency uses facial recognition software during internet searches "to help identify unknown targets in an investigation or locate additional social media accounts for known in-

dividuals."

Even before revelations of postal spying became public, it was long known that America's mail carrier didn't exactly prioritize privacy. In 2018, a cybersecurity expert found that security vulnerabilities on the USPS' website left the data of 60 million users exposed to hackers. This included all sorts of personal information such as account numbers, street addresses, phone numbers, and mailing campaign data. Just four years before that, a hack exposed the data of 800,000 postal employees and 2.9 million consumer service inquiry records.

And, private data is less safe in government hands. A recent proposal by the Biden administration would force financial institutions to annually report inflows and outflows from personal and business accounts provided that inflows and outflows total at least \$600 annually. Alternatively, a bank account could get a reprieve if its fair market value was below \$600. The good news is that there's plenty of opposition to this disturbing proposal from lawmakers, businesses, and watchdog groups such as the Taxpayers Protection Alliance. Even if this proposal is never

implemented in full form, the administration may nonetheless monitor all accounts within its reach. That portfolio could expand significantly if postal banking becomes the law of the land. And between IRS snooping, postal surveillance, and federal web and security concerns, Americans have every right to be concerned.

Government surveillance is rarely benign. Federal snooping opened the door to harassment of civil rights activists back in the 1960s and enables virtual peeping Toms in the present day. Lawmakers should keep the government from expanding its activities and getting its hands on even more information. Public servants must maintain a united front against federal authorities snooping on Americans' private data and question the use of tools such as AI-powered software even for ostensibly "official" business.

A proactive effort is also needed to keep essential activities such as banking out of federal reach. There is simply too much at stake to give the USPS — or any federal agency — a window into Americans' finances.

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INSPIRATION

Storms Awaken Us

Dr. Anne Redelfs, retired psychiatrist, author of *The Awakening Storm*, inspired my story today. Having met her at the Marshall Christian Writer's Conference in 2014, I was impressed with her story of surviving Katrina.

She is a listener. I was privileged to have lunch with her that day. She let me do all of the talking--which is not uncommon among my friends because I do tend to talk more than listen.

When we exchanged books I wasn't surprised with the first sentence of her book. She said "I am a listen-

er."

Had it not been for the storms in my life, I might be dull and boring even to myself, but no I am never bored--not even when I am alone.

I like to think.

I believe that it's only after we hit rock bottom that we begin to grow. I have been there. I should know.

Having grown up in an orphanage, after the death of my father, I know what it's like to live on the edge of my existence--being overwhelmed with sadness



SARAH HUDSON-PIERCE

as I cried myself to sleep every night at the home. I felt so alone.

Had I not become a Christian, before going into institution, I might not be here to share my story.

Enough said about that for a moment.

In 1989 I met psychiatrist, Dr. Nathan Bender, when I spoke to the Downtown Shreveport Rotary Club. I spoke on my belief that it takes hitting rock bottom before we begin to grow. After my speech, Dr. Bender approached me and told me that a

number of his patients had confirmed my theory, that it takes deep pain to cause us to reach within and begin our growth process.

Whether some people escape devastating pain I do not know.

The fear of sharing, combined with mental illness, may be what leads to suicide.

Today we are less afraid of being open.

We never get past the point of being a little guarded because it is only human to want to protect ourselves. We must first learn to trust before we take baby steps in finding out who we are and learning to share each oth-

er's pain.

I became more open, one step at a time, as I tested the waters, seeing just how much truth others could be trusted with. Becoming vulnerable has helped me more times than it's hurt me.

Our lives might have seemed easier, had we known some of these truths when we were teenagers -- but maybe it's what we don't know also helps us to grow.

I heard a friend say "when they are lowering my coffin, I will sit up and say 'hey wait a minute. I have it all figured out now!'"

We never figure it all

out.

That makes us human.

I am most grateful that God has always placed those people in my path when I need them the most, to get me through the storms in my life. I know He always will because Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever and He always gets me to the right place at the right time.

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LOCAL ARTIST

City Art Works Hosts Gallery for local artist Sylvia Fallin



City Art Works recently held a gallery for local artist, Sylvia Fallin, whose realistic oil paintings were on full display for attendees to see. Even with 20 years of experience, Fallin still considers herself to be an art student who is still working to hone their craft. "It's an uncomfortable term. I'm not there yet. I call myself an art student," said Fallin.

This statement could fool anyone who took the time to peruse her gallery, given the exceptional detail she is able to illustrate in each of her paintings, whether they are of live subjects or vivid landscapes.

Being a CPA by career, most of Fallin's work-life prior to art was pretty black and white, given that accounting leaves very little room for interpretation. However, after attending a gallery hosted by artist Ronny Barne in

Ruston, she was inspired to take up the craft of oil painting and has been doing it ever since.

"I saw in the paper where they were having a show of this artist's students at a church.

The artist that was teaching them is Ronny Barnes, and he has many years of experience painting," said Fallin.

"When I saw their stuff, I thought, that's good, maybe I can learn how. Maybe I can learn how to paint a picture."

She ended up taking classes with Barnes for roughly 20 years. "I really liked it because he taught me exactly how to draw an image on a canvas using a grid system. That enabled me to have it in proportion. I went from not being able to draw anything, to being able to pain, so I really appreciate his teaching," said Fallin.

When asked how she

chooses the subjects of her paintings, she stated, "I paint what I love. Most of the things hanging on the walls today are things I really put a lot of heart into because it means something to me. I don't really paint just for the public, and I never have taken a commission painting. I paint because I love something."

In regards to her comment of not painting for the public, this was actually Fallin's first gallery where her work was put on public display for others to see. In fact, she had to be convinced to even allow some of the paintings to be up for sale because each one holds a place in her heart.

"This is my hometown, and I was so pleased to be able to show it here and to have it still here when my 60th high school reunion takes place in October," said Fallin.

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SPORTS

Mansfield takes down Minden, 46-25

T. SCOTT BOATRIGHT
Minden Press-Herald

Mansfield grabbed an early home lead it never relinquished Friday night as the Wolverines outlasted the Crimson Tide 46-25 at Washington-Taylor-Rogers Stadium.

The Wolverines struck first on its second offensive series of the night after Trey Dewitt picked off a pass attempt by Minden quarterback Andrew Cooper.

Taking over at the Minden 18, Mansfield struck paydirt four plays later on a 23-yard scoring strike to Dequinton Robinson from Dekeldrick Thomas at the 8:11 mark of the opening stanza.

Thomas fired another scoring strike to Robinson with 2:11 left in the first quarter, this time from 31-yards out, that pushed the Mansfield advantage to 16-0 following a second successful two-point conversion.

Minden cut the Wolverines' advantage to 16-7 with 2:39 remaining in the first half as senior Roderien Richardson scored on a 21-yard run.

But Thomas and the Wolverines roared right back with the Mansfield quarterback hitting Cleveland Wells in mid-stride on a 75-yard scoring strike only

22 seconds later.

The Tide countered that with its second score of the night as Cooper plunged in from one-yard out with 37 seconds left before intermission. Cooper's two-point conversion run attempt failed and Mansfield led 24-13 at the half.

Mansfield recovered an on-sides kick attempt to open the third quarter and drove 56 yards on six plays with Thomas scoring on a one-yard quarterback sneak that put the Wolverines up 32-12 only 1:57 into the second half.

Both teams scored two touchdowns in the final stanza, with Cooper scoring on another one-yard run and hitting Jaylin Williams on a 10-yard pass to account for the Tide's scoring on the night.

Manfield totaled 422 offensive yards on 55 plays while Minden tallied 318 yards of offense on 62 snaps.

Cooper connected on 10-of-25 pass attempts for 130 yards while Daylen Robinson as usual led the Crimson Tide rushing attack with 122 yards on 18 carries.

Minden (2-2) remains on the road next week as the Tide plays at Leesville, which also stands at 2-2 on the season



PHOTO BY DOUGLAS BLOW

Running back Daylen Robinson (5) led Minden with 122 rushing yards on 18 carries Friday night in the Crimson Tide's 46-25 loss at Mansfield.w

Pelicans pull away from Apaches late in game

T. SCOTT BOATRIGHT
Minden Press-Herald

Glenbrook coach David Feaster knew his Apaches were facing a tough task Friday night against the high-octane offense of the Homer Pelicans.

But it was the defenses that dominated early before the game got offensive in the second half with the Pelicans, ranked No. 6 in the Louisiana Sports Writers Class 1A poll, ending up on the winning side of a 36-21 final score.

Homer led 12-0 at intermission thanks to an 18-yard scoring strike from Takeviuntae Kidd to Devante Champ before Kidd hit Champ again, this time on another 18-yard touchdown pass with 10:53 remaining in the first half.

"We felt like we were in it the whole time," Coach Feaster said. "Our defense was playing well. Everything was hard on offense early on. Homer is just so big and physical up front, and their secondary is so good. They just covered us man to man and made everything we tried to do on offense hard.

"But we still didn't feel bad and knew we were in it. Our defense had bent some but didn't break, and we knew if we could



PHOTO BY T.SCOTT BOATRIGHT

Glenbrook head coach David Feaster saw his Apaches fall at Homer by the score of 36-21 Friday night.

get anything going on offense we could get right back into it."

The Apaches recovered an on-sides kick to open the second half and scored two plays later as quarterback Ty Fester hit Cason Clemons in stride down the right sideline to cut the Pelicans' lead to 12-6 after a failed point after touchdown kick.

But Homer countered at the 7:12 mark of the third quarter on an eight-yard scoring scamper by Andravious Buggs that pushed the Pelicans' lead to 20-6 after a successful two-point conversion run by Kidd.

Glenbrook was marching toward the Homer red zone late in the third quarter before turning

it over on a fumble the Pelicans took full advantage of, marking 64 yards on eight plays with Buggs putting them on top 28-6 on a 19-yard scoring scamper followed by another two-point conversion run by Buggs.

But the Apaches didn't quit, driving 81 yards on nine 9 plays with Ty Feaster firing an eight-

yard strike to Turner Mclelland before hitting Cason Clemons on a two-point conversion pass to cut the lead to 28-14 with 2:42 remaining.

Then the Apaches followed with their second successful on-sides kick of the night to take over at the Homer 44-yard line before using a little "trickery," with Mclelland catching a backwards pass from Feaster before firing a 32-yard scoring strike to a wide open DJ Carter, who raced down the sideline score to cut the Pelicans' lead to 28-21 with 1:51 remaining.

"It was a great job of not quitting at that stage and finally making some plays against some really good personnel and a well-coached team," Coach Feaster said.

Glenbrook then tried another on-sides kick, but this time the Pelicans recovered and drove for another score, with a successful two point conversion giving them the 36-21 advantage.

"I'm proud of our effort overall," Coach Feaster said. "We had this game circle on our calendar coming in. We circled it a long time ago and knew it was going to be a tough one. We would have shocked the world by beating Homer and we nearly pulled it off."

Jena outlasts North Webster in 27-13 Class 3A slugfest

T. SCOTT BOATRIGHT
Minden Press-Herald

North Webster found the offensive going to be a tough task Friday night as the Knights fell 27-13 to Jena at Baucum-Farrar Stadium.

The Knights failed to score in the first half, trailing the Giants 6-0 at intermission.

Jena (3-1) pushed its advantage to 21-0 before North Webster managed to hit paydirt on a 70 kick return by Jacobreious Walker.

The Knights' lone offensive score came late in the contest as quarterback Colin McKenzie connected with tight end Jacobreious Walker on a 44-yard scoring strike.

North Webster did have a chance to try and tie the game

on a late possession before the Giants intercepted at the Knight's 36-yard line to secure the win.

Thirty-four of the games' 40 total combined points came in the final eight minutes, with Jena rushing for three

touchdowns — a five-yarder by Joshua Washington, a 40-yarder by Tate Turnage, and a 50-yard scoring scamper by James Neal.

North Webster (2-2) will next play host to Jonesboro-Hodge (3-1) at 7 p.m.

Lakeside falls at West Ouachita, 47-7



Lakeside quarterback Jacob Whitehead and the Warriors fell Friday night at West Ouachita by the score of 47-7.

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Minden Press-Herald

West Ouachita stormed out the gates for a pair of quick scores that helped launch the Chiefs to a 47-7 home win over Lakeside Friday night.

It took the Chiefs only 1:23 to drive 69 yards and strike paydirt to open the game as quarterback Mason Cobb launched a 36-yard scoring strike to Mike Hall for a 6-0 lead after the PAT kick attempt sailed wide right.

Looking for a quick counterpunch, Lakeside quarterback Jacob Whitehead threw long, but too high. The ball sailed over the intended receiver's head and was picked off

by West Ouachita safety Jaylin Holland, who raced the ball back 46 yards for a "Pick Six" that pushed the Chiefs' lead to 14-0 with 8:47 left in the opening stanza following a successful two-point conversion run following a botched snap on the PAT kick attempt.

A long scoring strike from Cobb to Chase White extended West Ouachita's advantage to 20-0.

Lakeside's lone score came when the Chiefs' snapped a shotgun hike over Cobbs' head. Warriors defensive lineman CJ Watts pounced on the ball in the end zone for the final score of the first half which saw the Chiefs take a 20-7 lead into the

locker room.

While anchoring a Lakeside defense along with Kris Redden, Koby Mangrum and Ty Manness, Watt also came in to play some at quarterback for the Warriors, connecting on five of 10 pass attempts.

West Ouachita added three second-half touchdowns on a 62-yard scoring strike from Cobb to White, a 40-yard run by Kohl Nolan and a 28-7 yard scamper by Dustin Miller.

Cobb went 3-of-4 passing for the Chiefs for 152 yards and the three scores.

Lakeside (2-1) will next travel to Bastrop to play at Beekman Charter (0-4) at 7 p.m. Friday.

Bulldogs, Saints victorious; G-Men struggle in loss

RUSTON (AP) — Marcus Williams Jr. ran for two touchdowns in the first quarter, including a 42-yard dash to make it 14-0, and Louisiana Tech dashed to a 24-point first-half lead and made it stand up for a 24-17 win over North Texas in the Bulldogs' Conference USA opener Saturday.

J.D. Head tossed a 34-yard touchdown pass to Samuel Emilus and Jacob Barnes kicked a 21-yard

field goal to make it 24-0 with more than 10 minutes left in the first half and the Louisiana Tech defense took over from there.

North Texas (1-3, 0-2) got a touchdown by DeAndre Torrey just before intermission. Ethan Mooney kicked a 33-yard field goal and Austin Aune tossed an eight-yard touchdown pass to Damon Ward Jr. late in the fourth quarter, but the

Mean Green could not find the equalizing touchdown.

Aaron Allen was 14 of 18 passing for 137 yards and Louisiana Tech (2-2, 1-0) managed just 81 rushing yards, led by Williams' 73 on 17 carries.

Torrey carried 26 times for 119 yards to lead North Texas.

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DALLAS (AP) — Jawon

Pass hit Donovan White with a 13-yard scoring strike in the first quarter and Prairie View A&M never looked back in a 24-10 victory over Grambling in Southwestern Athletic Conference play on Saturday at the Cotton Bowl.

Luis Reyes booted a 56-yard field goal to give the Panthers (3-1, 2-0) a 10-0 lead early in the second quarter.

CJ Russell scored on a 2-yard run near the end

of the first half as the Tigers (1-3, 0-1) snapped a scoreless streak that was nearly 10 quarters long. Garrett Urban added a third-quarter field goal.

Prairie View A&M will host Arkansas-Pine Bluff on Thursday, while Grambling will entertain Alabama A&M on Saturday.

SAINTS 28, PATRIOTS 13

Jameis Winston threw two touchdown passes, Malcolm Jenkins returned

an interception for a score, and the Saints beat the Patriots 28-13 on Sunday. New England is 0-2 at home for the first time since 2000, Bill Belichick's first season as coach.

A week after a career-low passer rating Winston showed better command of the offense, completing 13 of 21 passes for 128 yards. Taysom Hill ran for a touchdown and Alvin Kamara rushed 24 times for 89 yards.

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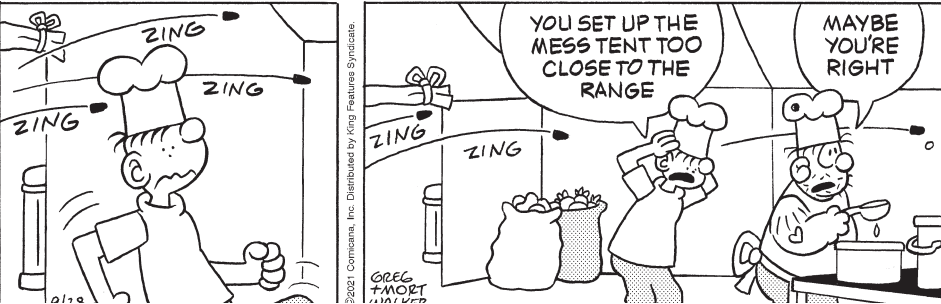
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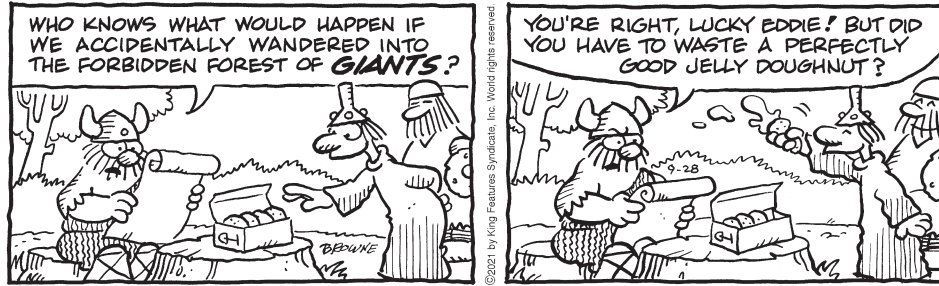
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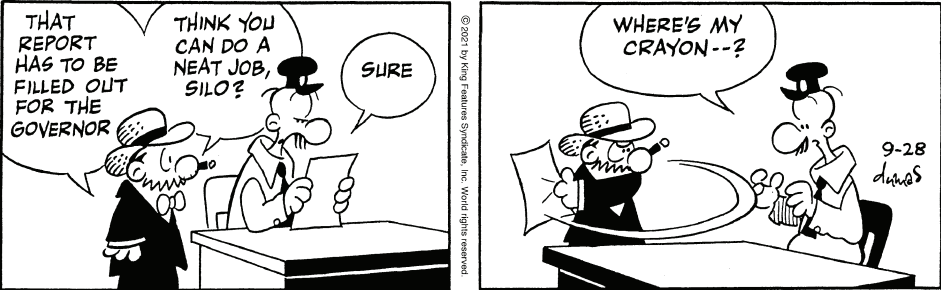
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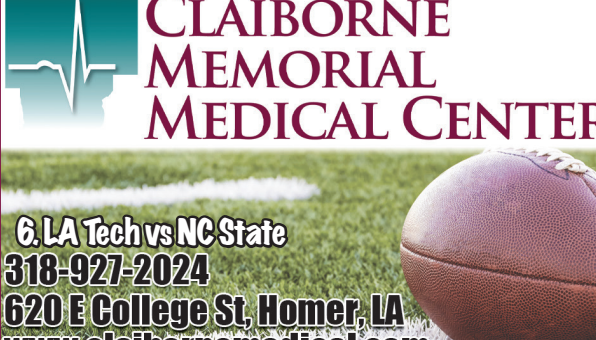
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