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CITY COUNCIL

Juvenile Curfew faces rocky waters at recent City Council Workshop

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The Juvenile Curfew that has been floated around as of recently as a way to potentially alleviate some of the number of juveniles involved in recent crimes saw faced some rocky waters when discussed during the last city council workshop that took place Thursday, where it seemed as though not all members of the city council were sold on its effectiveness.

The key takeaway is that it could drastically reduce crime and cost us absolutely nothing," said Jason Smith, Minden Police Association President.

The MPA wanted to make the point that this ordinance, rather than being a tool to stick people with fines, would simply give them the teeth necessary to legally intervene if they see a child or teen wandering the streets.

"We just want children to be home safe. So with this ordinance, we can say, hey let's go home, put them in our car, take them home, and have a lawful reason to do it," said Lt. Joel Kendrick

"People ending up in the court system are going to be the exception, not the rule. The true story behind this is we need some way, once we find these kids, to take these kids home. Right now if they're walking the streets, we tell them to go home, they won't, and we take them in our car and take them home, we have kidnapped that child. Because we had no lawful reason to take them where they were and take them somewhere else."

Some points of contention were raised regarding what would happen in extreme cases. Ultimately the scenarios expressed played out in one of two ways. Either the child will not listen to the parent, or the parent is apathetic towards their children being out late and gives them permission.

In the first case, the

child would be considered "ungovernable" which would keep the parent from being fined but would involve that parent actively stating the child won't listen. In the ladder, the case is where some tensions flared during the discussion, with one public citizen voicing concerns over the police being governed by their own discretion in these cases.

It sounds like you're going to violate a bunch of civil rights. You're telling the parent how to parent. This is still going to be America. If I choose to let my children roam the city streets of Minden, that should be my choice. You can't legislate morality," said Miles. "If I'm different thank you and think differently than you, you can't impose what you think is right upon my household."

Granted, when asked if he had read the ordinance, Miles stated he had not, but that did not stop him from having strong feelings regarding the curfew and its passing.

"The point still remains, the implementation is going to be up to your discretion. I've heard that word used, it's going to be an officer's discretion. As I said, I'm not so sure that I'm confident enough to give you that authority," said Miles. "When I see the president of the Minden Police Association not show any restraint in a public meeting, no I don't have any confidence. If he is a spokesman for the Minden Police Association, and his behavior is such, that's not exemplary sir."

Councilman Micahel Roy and Pam Bloxom openly stated approval for the ordinance, with Councilmen Wayne Edwards, Terika Williams-Walker, and Vincen Bradford not necessarily opposed or for it in its current state. They were asked to suggest any changes they would like to see in the ordinance to be discussed in a future meeting.

EDUCATION

Minden Coca-Cola Provides Scholarships to five Northwest Louisiana Technical Community College Students

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On behalf of Minden Coca-Cola Bottling Co., Vice-President, Steven Lingenfelter, presented the scholarships along with a case of Coca-Cola for each student. The NLTC student recipients of the \$1,000 scholarships were: Kendrea Jones, Darielle Moore, Tyler Michaud, Ethan Tolar, and Kimberly Givens.

NLTC Chancellor Earl Meador thanked Minden Coca-Cola for the generous scholarships and continued support of NLTC. Meador said, "In addition to these generous scholarships, Minden Coca-Cola also



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Kendrea Jones, Darielle Moore, Tyler Michaud, Ethan Tolar, and Kimberly Givens are the recipients of the Coca-Cola \$1000 scholarships.

provides employment opportunities for our students. We thank Minden Coca-Cola for their investment in our students and the future of our community."

Vice President, Steven Lingenfelter, said later, "Though Min-

den Coca-Cola awards scholarships each year, with the continuing impact of Covid-19 on our area, we are especially happy that we could help these students. We are very proud of what NLTC has done to enable these men and

women to pursue higher learning and better opportunities amid the pandemic. Our community is fortunate to have this campus here. We wish good health and success to this year's recipients."

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TELEVISION

HGTV to feature Minden in Upcoming Show Hometown Kickstart

STAFF REPORT
Minden Press-Herald

Six small communities — Buffalo, Wyoming; Cornwall, New York; Winslow, Arizona; LaGrange, Kentucky; Thomaston, Georgia; and Minden, Louisiana — need a boost to re-energize their revitalization efforts and HGTV has called on some of its biggest stars to help out in Home Town Kickstart Presented by PEOPLE (wt), a new renovation series slated to premiere in spring 2022. Nate Berkus and Jeremiah Brent (The Nate and Jeremiah Home Project); Ty Pennington

(Rock the Block); Jasmine Roth (Help! I Wrecked My House); and Alison Victoria (Windy City Rehab) are among the network’s popular experts who, supported by Home Town stars Ben and Erin Napier, will lead three projects in each town: refresh the home of a local hero, give a small business a beautiful upgrade and reinvigorate a public space to enhance the residents’ quality of life and engender community pride. During the series, Ben and Erin, who know a thing or two about small town revitalization, will offer their insight and encouragement, and

PEOPLE magazine, the No.1 brand in the United States celebrating popular culture, will share the unique stories of each location and the standout locals that reside within them. “We see the positive impact of this small town renaissance every day in Laurel,” said Erin. “Ben and I can’t wait to share all we’ve learned with our fellow HGTV experts so they can help these communities achieve their goals.” Selected from the thousands of submissions HGTV originally received for the hit series Home Town Takeover,

the six towns in Home Town Kickstart Presented by PEOPLE, will benefit from the expertise of the popular network stars and, through added visibility in PEOPLE, may secure more support as they work to rejuvenate their towns. “PEOPLE’s audience aligns perfectly with HGTV’s viewers,” said Dan Wakeford, editor in chief, PEOPLE. “We are thrilled to highlight stories about everyday heroes working towards positive change in their communities.”

GAS IN AMERICA

Only 32% of Americans to drive as Thanksgiving gas prices near most expensive ever

(GAS BUDDY) - While the economy may be bouncing back, Thanksgiving travel is not. GasBuddy, the leading fuel savings platform providing North American drivers with the most ways to save money on gas, revealed in its 2021 Annual Thanksgiving Travel Survey that 32% of Americans plan to travel for Thanksgiving this year, a decline from 35% last year that compares to some 65% that planned to hit the road for Thanksgiving 2019. The national average price of gasoline is projected to decline to \$3.35 per gallon on Thanksgiving Day, still amongst the highest we’ve seen in over seven years. But there remains a remote chance that should oil suddenly surge, gas prices could

quickly follow and potentially beat 2012’s record for most expensive national average ever for the date: \$3.44 per gallon. “Similarly to last year, motorists are contending with a rise in Covid cases ahead of the Thanksgiving holiday when many drive to celebrate with friends and family. Only this year, we’re also just cents away from the highest Thanksgiving gas prices ever recorded,” said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. “With global oil demand surging this year as the pandemic has eased, we find ourselves in unfamiliar territory - some of the highest Thanksgiving gas prices on record. Americans are responding to the prices by slamming the car door shut and staying off the road.”



Seventy-five percent of Americans also say that Covid-19 has had no impact on their holiday plans this year, up substantially from last year’s 46%. Yet, even less are traveling this year than in 2020. Fifty percent of Americans say they are driving less overall this year, and when asked what it would take for them to drive more, an overwhelming 78% said

lower gas prices. Those who are traveling are opting for shorter trips, with most (13%) expecting to spend 1-3 hours in the car. When it comes to making a rest stop, decent gas prices remained of most importance to those selecting, though location and convenience rose above the rest stop’s cleanliness in 2021’s results.

GOVERNMENT

Lawsuits challenging Biden’s private sector vaccine mandate consolidated, sent to Sixth Circuit

(The Center Square) - Multiple legal challenges to President Joe Biden’s workplace COVID-19 vaccine mandate will be consolidated and heard by justices with the Sixth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati. States, businesses and other groups filed 34 lawsuits against the Biden administration’s requirement that private sector businesses with 100 or more employees require workers to be vaccinated against the coronavirus or face weekly testing. The lawsuits were filed across all 12 federal circuits.

They argue the mandate is unconstitutional government overreach that will add to the nationwide worker shortage by forcing people to quit their jobs. They also argue it would be expensive and nearly impossible to enforce. The U.S. Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation held a lottery Tuesday and the 34 lawsuits will be consolidated and sent to the Sixth Circuit for arguments. A nationwide stay of the mandate remains in effect after the Fifth Circuit in New Orleans twice ruled for plaintiffs, citing “grave” constitutional concerns. “The mandate is a one-size-fits-all sledgehammer that makes hardly any attempt to account for differences in workplaces (and workers),” the Fifth Circuit said in its second ruling. Daniel Suhr, managing attorney with the

Liberty Justice Center, who with the Pelican Institute filed the Fifth Circuit case on the behalf of Louisiana businessman Brandon Troscclair, said he would file a motion seeking to move the consolidated cases to the New Orleans-based court. “This case is going to be a battle royale,” Suhr told The Center Square. “There is a lot at stake here, not just for our clients but for our country, our economy.” Suhr noted that the Fifth Circuit already has done substantial work on LJC’s lawsuit and it would be more efficient legally to hold arguments there. Under Biden’s direction, the U.S. Department of Labor’s Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) earlier this month released details of the vaccine mandate, which could affect an estimated 74 million American workers. The mandate was scheduled to go into effect Jan. 4 before the Fifth Circuit ordered the stay. The policy also would impose nearly \$14,000 in fines per employee if businesses are caught letting their workers skirt the mandate. The Biden administration says the mandate is necessary to protect workers and end the pandemic. Ultimately, the lawsuits likely are to be settled by the U.S. Supreme Court. Suhr said the consolidated cases could be in front of the Supreme Court as early as December.

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OBITUARIES



Barbara Ruth Burns Vachula

Barbara Ruth Burns Vachula, 82, of Trout was received into Heaven on Saturday, November 13, 2021. Barbara was born on Wednesday, December 21, 1938 in Merryville, Louisiana to the union of her parents Harry Holman Burns, Sr. and Alice Jewel Ashley Burns. Barbara was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She loved working in her yard and flower gardens. A Memorial Service will be held Saturday, November 20, 2021 at Midway Baptist Church in Jena with Bro. Daniel Breithaupt officiating. Barbara was preceded in death by her husband, Richard Paul Vachula, her son Michael Paul Vachula, her parents; two brothers; Harry Holman Burns, Jr. and

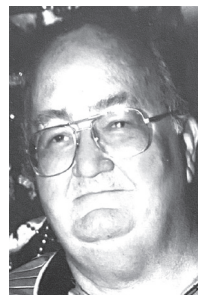
wife Elaine Burns and Reuben Joseph Burns and two sisters, Verna Jewel Ray and husband Olvin Ray and Miriam E. Brister and husband James Brister. Those left to love and miss her include her daughters, Linda Anne Vachula and Shirley Lynn Cox and husband Micky of Trout; one grandson Justin Michael Cox of Trout; three granddaughters Megan Ne’Cole Cox of Trout, Holley Watson and husband Ed of Doyline, Louisiana and Whitney Whorton; six great grandchildren, Henry Michael Cox and Mar’lea Ruth Brown of Trout, Emma and Maddie Watson of Doyline and Wyatt and Hannah Whorton; one brother Hamilton Wayne Burns and wife Flora of Mena, Arkansas and one sister Mary Alice Strange and husband Kester of DeVille, Louisiana and special family friends Russell Brown, III of Trout, Tristian, Celeste and Adilynn Reeves of Minden, Louisiana and host of nieces and nephews. The family would like to thank the staff at Autumn Leaves Nursing and Rehab, Winn Medical Center, the Rapides Hematology Oncology Cancer Center and STAT Home Health for taking excellent care they all took of our mother.



Treva S. Felts

Graveside services for Treva Sharon Felts will be held November 19, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. at Bistineau Cemetery in Heflin, Louisiana. Ms. Felts, who went by Sharon, was born September 22, 1938, in Heflin, Louisiana and entered into rest November 6, 2021, in Shreveport, Louisiana. Sharon resided in Shreveport where she received a Secretarial Degree from Spencer Draughton School. She was also a Louisiana Master Gardener volunteer for the LSU AgCenter. Sharon lived her life close to

scripture and faithful connection to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. She was a gentle, kind soul who was dearly loved by her family, friends, and all those who knew her. She is survived by her sister, Beth Felts Elkins; nieces, Carolu Elkins Chase and Elizabeth Davis; and nephews, Robert Allen Carlisle, John Davis, Rusty Davis, Bart Elkins and Slade Elkins, several grand nieces and nephews and Beatty and Felts cousins. She is preceded in death by her father, Emmet Rendol Felts, mother, Lucille Beatty Felts, two sisters, Ginger Felts Carlisle Hovey, and Gail Felts Davis Kennon. Rose-Neath Funeral Home 211 Murrell Street Minden, Louisiana 71055 (318) 377-3412



Troy L. Tippen

Troy L. Tippen peacefully passed away in his home in Minden, Louisiana on November 14, 2021, at the age of 74. Troy was born on April 28, 1947, in Chatham, Louisiana to Roy Dale Tippen and Marleen Hicks. Troy spent his childhood years in Chatham then moved to Minden, Louisiana directly after graduating high school. Troy worked and raised his family in Minden. Troy worked for O’Neal Gas for 24 years. He was known around town as the “Gas Man.” All his children have memories of riding in the gas truck with him. Troy met his wife, LaFrances Knight Tippen, in 1999. They were happily married for 22 years. Troy was a hard-working, independent, and strong-willed man. Troy had a deep love for racing that he shared with his children and grandchildren. He drove his own race car for over 10 years then passed the wheel down to his son, Allen. Troy spent many years at the racetrack, and he loved every minute of it. Troy will be dearly missed by his wife, LaFrances Knight Tippen: Children: Allen Tippen, Spencer Tippen, and Rachel Tippen Stewart. Stepchildren: Kristi

Moore (Derek), Clay Hinze (Mary) Jackie Hortman, Lynn Guillory, and Donna Mixon. Adored grandchildren: Katie Tippen, Allie Tippen, Callie Tippen, Cammie Tippen, Tyler Tippen, Caleb Tippen, Brayden Tippen, Stormie King (Ryan), Rainie Hughes, Gracey Reynolds, Maddison Hinze, Dakota Hinze, Karri Ann Hinze, Aubree Moore, and Brooke Henderson. Great-grandchild: Emmi King. Troy is preceded in death by his mother, father, brothers, sisters, father-in-law, and brother-in-law. Funeral services for Troy will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, November 19, 2021, at Rose-Neath Funeral Home Chapel in Minden, Louisiana. Interment will follow at Gardens of Memory Cemetery in Minden, Louisiana. The family will receive friends from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. Thursday, November 18, 2021, at Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden. Pallbearers will be Allen Tippen, Spencer Tippen, Derek Moore, Dewayne Brown, Chris Gorman, Frank Aultman, Russell Brewster, and Justin Stewart. Honorary pallbearers will be Barry Smith and Ryan King. The family would like to thank Passages Hospice for taking such wonderful care of Troy. Rose-Neath Funeral Home Minden, Louisiana (318) 377-3412



Braxton Woodrow “Bragg” Stuckey

Bragg was born in Tampa, Florida on September 28, 1947 and passed away with his family and preacher by his side on November 13, 2021 in Bossier City, Louisiana after a brief illness. Bragg was a Florida State University alumni with a degree from Florida Southern College. He served in the United States Army from 1968 to 1971, where he was stationed in Arlington, Virginia, and later, Korea. Bragg was a resident of Minden, Louisiana for the past 42 years, having worked at Sidewinder and Mr. Twister in Minden, as well as Alumax (Alcoa) in Magnolia, Arkansas. He was a loving and devoted father of four children. He went to every baseball and football game, every taekwondo tournament, and the many graduations of his children and grandchildren. He was always there for his family whenever they needed support or encouragement. He loved the outdoors, spending his time playing golf, fishing, hunting, doing yard work, or just watching the birds from his back porch. He developed a love for sports photography and contributed many pictures of his grandsons’ sporting events at Glenbrook High School to the Minden Press Herald. He was well known by all the coaches, student athletes, and parents as the “unofficial, official photographer”. He was an active member of the Brushwood

United Methodist Church in Dubberly, where he even attended church throughout the Covid pandemic, so that his preacher (and friend) Jim would have at least one person in attendance during zoom services. He is preceded in death by his doting parents, Woodrow and Mary Murl “Bo” Stuckey of Tallahassee, Florida. He is survived by Mary, his loving wife of almost 52 years; their daughter Cathy Buckley and husband Mitch, from Lucky, LA; sons Lee Stuckey and wife Wendy, from Houston, TX; John Stuckey and wife Anais, from Houston, TX; and Stephan Stuckey from Minden, LA. He is also survived by his grandchildren Tyler Moses and wife Cheyann, Victoria Stuckey, Archer Moses, Veronica Stuckey, Nicholas Moses, Caden Buckley, and Carter Buckley. A memorial service will be held for Bragg at Brushwood Methodist Church (6320 Brushwood Dr.) in Dubberly, Louisiana on Monday, November 22 at 1 pm. The family would like to express their sincerest appreciation to all of the physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses, and respiratory therapists in the SICU at Willis Knighton North and in the ICU at Cornerstone Hospital. The kindness and compassion shown to our family during this difficult time did not go unnoticed and we are incredibly grateful for the wonderful care provided by each of you to my husband and our dad. Rose-Neath Funeral Home 211 Murrell Street Minden, Louisiana 71055 (318) 377-3412



Joseph “Joe” A. Wimberly

Graveside services for Joe Wimberly will be held Thursday, November 18, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. at Wimberly Cemetery in Ringgold, Louisiana under the direction of Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden, Louisiana. Officiating will be his best friend, Jim Owens. The family will receive friends from 11:30 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. Thursday at Rose-Neath prior graveside. Joe was born August 16, 1958, in Minden, Louisiana and entered into rest November 16, 2021, in Minden, Louisiana. Joe was a roughneck in the oilfield for several years. His real calling came when he began driving a truck. Joe could drive anything, log truck, dirt hauler, wrecker truck, or lowboy. He was known as “Tramp” on the CB. He was known as wild and crazy. He always

wanted the fastest car or motorcycle and usually had them. He survived many car and motorcycle and fluke accidents. Carolyn and her sister Connie were talking one day after another accident, Carolyn said, “he’s a cat with 9 lives.” Connie said, “No he’s a dog with 21 lives.” When he was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, he looked at Carolyn and said, “It’s been a good ride.” He was preceded in death by his father, Lucian M. Wimberly; brother, David Wimberly, and grandparents. He is survived by his wife Carolyn Wimberly; mother, Martha M. Wimberly; daughter, Robin Wimberly; sister-in-law, Connie Robinette Anderson (Rick Brooks) and her children, Dalana Smith and Stephanie Crawford all of Minden; brother-in-law, Charlie Robinette and wife Marcie and their children, Charlie and Devin of Vacaville, CA; aunts, Sue Ford of Homer and Charmaine McEachern of Sarepta; and cousins he thought of as sisters, Sandy Rockett of Sibley, Sissy Bergerson of Fordoche, Joann Bailey of TX and Barbara Williamson of Fordache, and numerous other cousins.



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OTHER OPINION

ANDREW LANGER
Special to the Minden Press-Herald

Google just suffered a major defeat in its legal battle with Sonos. A judge ruled that Google infringed on five of Sonos' audio patents. If the ruling is upheld, Google could pay hundreds of millions and face a ban on importing everything from Pixel smartphones to Nest speakers.

This isn't a trivial development. It's the latest in a string of lawsuits intended to stop Big Tech from pilfering from smaller companies. In recent years, Big Tech firms have increasingly infringed on smaller rivals' IP. Those smaller firms have started fighting back. Now, the largest tech companies could face tens of billions in damages.

If Big Tech executives continue, their firms could suffer irreparable financial and reputational damage. Stealing rivals'

IP is no longer merely unethical - it's a business decision so disastrously short-sighted that it constitutes a breach of duties to shareholders.

For a long time, giant technology firms like Apple figured they could freely prey on smaller competitors, who wouldn't have the financial firepower to fight back. That's no longer the case.

Small firms have decided suing is worth the cost - and have won big. In three cases this past year, juries awarded small firms more than \$1 billion.

In August, Apple was ordered to pay PanOptis \$300 million over 4G technology infringement. Last year, a court ordered the company to pay \$1 billion to VirnetX, a VPN patent holder. Last October, a federal court ordered Cisco to pay nearly \$2 billion to Centripetal Networks, a cybersecurity firm.

IP theft has the potential to put a dent into Big Tech's bot-

tom lines. Cisco's payout cost it 4% of its annual revenue. Apple recently threatened to pull out of the United Kingdom entirely rather than face a \$7 billion patent-infringement fee in British courts.

Even if big firms can weather the financial penalties, the reputational damage is considerable. Congressional committees regularly haul executives into their chambers for hearings about anti-trust and privacy infractions. Consumers increasingly regard Facebook, Google, Apple, and Amazon with distaste. If politicians and customers learn these companies' profits rest on persistent theft, their reputations will take a pounding.

Big Tech executives have a duty to their shareholders. Executives who turn a blind eye - exposing their firms to immense legal and reputational risk - will eventually find their morally questionable decisions

reflected in share prices.

Shareholders, rank and file employees, and other stakeholders should hold executives to account. It's in the interest of investors to pressure Apple and others to settle cases and hash out licensing agreements.

If Big Tech starts operating within the bounds of IP law, they'll prime the entire sector for success. Consumers and shareholders should want both small and large firms to thrive. Smaller firms develop software, applications, and hardware that often end up in consumer-facing products.

But when the big guys bully the little guys, pillage their best ideas without paying, the little guys have no incentive to innovate.

It's time for Big Tech to stop patent theft.

ANDREW LANGER IS PRESIDENT OF THE INSTITUTE FOR LIBERTY. THIS PIECE WAS ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED IN TECHCRUNCH.

LETTER

Families should be involved in a child's education

Dear Editor:

The last two years haven't been normal. In Louisiana, we've faced a global pandemic, multiple hurricanes, civil unrest, and winter storms. The school community has successfully navigated these unprecedented times and credit should be shared. Families deserve praise.

November is National Family Engagement Month for

schools in America. For me, families are partners in education whose contributions are welcomed and appreciated. Schools and families depend on each other for flexibility and grace as we care for children. When student-centered relationships exist between families and schools, kids benefit. Now is a time for educators to pause and consider practices that embrace families. Likewise, families may consider

their involvement and support within schools.

It takes a family to raise a child. Schools exist to support that effort with a responsibility to provide a quality education in a safe environment.

We know the benefit of family engagement on students. Attendance is higher. Behavior is improved. Grades are better.

Across the country, parents are accelerating their involvement in local schools and

system policy. This is good. Educators and families should seize this opportunity to work together in new ways.

As both a dad and an educator, I understand both roles. Hearts are in the right place for doing what's best for our children and Louisiana's future.

Dr. Cade Brumley

Louisiana State Superintendent of Education

OTHER OPINION

Note to policy makers: Homeschooling is here to stay

WILLIAM HEUER
Special to the Minden Press-Herald

Homeschooling is here to stay and the time has come for policymakers to acknowledge that fact. After years of increasing at a rate of about 3 percent a year, the number of parents choosing to homeschool their children has spiked, triggered by the COVID-19 pandemic.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the portion of children being homeschooled doubled from 5.4 percent during the 2019-20 school year to 11 percent in 2020-21. Among Black families, homeschooling jumped nearly five-fold during that time, from 3.3 percent to 16.1 percent.

And it's no longer just for religious conservatives. There has been a big jump in "second choice" homeschoolers, who choose the option for more pragmatic reasons. With more parents working from home when the pandemic began, they had a bird's-eye view of K-12 education in the age of COVID. Many didn't like what they saw.

It didn't take an education degree for them to see that overall student progress was slowing - a fact that has since been borne out in state tests.

It was equally clear to parents that online learning wasn't working for one or more of their children.

Many thought about homeschooling for the first time. Others who had previously considered it concluded that this was the time to give it a shot. Lest we forget, homeschooling IS "in-person" learning - one of the factors that public school authorities have insisted that parents were demanding.

Another indication that homeschooling has grown beyond its fundamentalist roots is that about half of parents with more than one child in school don't homeschool all of them. This not only suggests that parents can tell when online education is working and when it isn't, but that their motivation is educational, not ideological.

While the belief that learning at home is a safer environment than going to school was a motivator, especially for urban parents, having more say over their child's education was the dominant reason for the increase in homeschooling.

As for the idea that attending school is critical to a child's socialization, homeschooling parents would counter that their choice doesn't prohibit their children from participating in sports, cultural and

other group activities, or even just hanging out with the neighborhood kids.

Still, homeschooling will undoubtedly be a temporary solution for some. But the upward trend in families choosing to do it is sure to continue and likely to accelerate. Many parents had options for educational choices during the pandemic. But the increase in families opting for homeschooling was far more significant than that experienced by other options such as private/parochial, charter, vocational and virtual schools.

Many in the educational establishment vehemently oppose homeschooling, but the fact is that it results in massive savings for traditional schools. If it were banned and the five million American students the Census Bureau estimates are being homeschooled is correct, it would cost \$50 million-to-\$75 million a year, or nearly \$1 trillion over a student's 13-year K-12 career.

In addition, schools across the country would need 80,000 more teachers at an annual cost of \$13 billion, and between 4,000 and 10,000 school buildings would have to be built.

Homeschooling is legal in all 50 states, but each has its own regulations. Some are encouraging, but others make

the homeschooling choice unduly difficult for families.

Opposition from traditional education interest groups is one reason why homeschooling often gets the cold shoulder from government. But the time has come for policymakers to acknowledge it as a viable educational choice and do more to support those who are considering non-traditional options for their children's education.

That means school districts should provide information to parents seeking information about those options and include links on their websites to the homeschooling support groups that exist in every state.

We are only beginning to appreciate the long-term impacts the pandemic has had on our way of life. In education, one of those impacts is accelerating the rise of homeschooling. It's time for policymakers to catch up with the times.

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OTHER OPINION

Orange County Register: Harris' approval rating no surprise

Vice President Kamala Harris' approval rating has plummeted to 28%, according to a new Suffolk University/USA Today poll.

That is lower than her four predecessors in their first years. It's also lower than the approval rating for President Joe Biden, who sits at 38%, and former President Donald Trump as he was leaving office in January, when he was polling around 41%.

Despite the best efforts of the Democratic political machine calling attention as much as possible to the demographically historic nature of her vice presidency, her year as Veep has been nothing short of a dud.

After being tasked with leading the administration's efforts to address the migration crisis at the country's southern bor-

der, Harris was criticized for not actually visiting the border. When asked about that, Harris gave a less than inspiring answer, saying, "And I haven't been to Europe. I mean, I don't understand the point you are making."

Harris tried taking credit for the withdrawal of troops from Afghanistan, noting that she was "last person in the room" with Biden while he was making the decision. And then as Americans were stranded in Afghanistan, she was back in California campaigning for Gov. Gavin Newsom.

Just how bad Harris is doing should be a surprise to no one familiar with her career in California.

The former California attorney general and United States

senator has found it difficult to navigate not only her past as a tough-on-crime prosecutor in a party that's embraced criminal justice reform, but her persistent gaffes and stories about dysfunction in her inner circle as well.

As San Francisco district attorney, her office was condemned by a Superior Court judge for "(violating) defendants' rights by hiding damaging information about a police drug lab technician" who admitted tainting evidence, "and was indifferent to demands that it account for its failings," as the San Francisco Chronicle reported in 2010.

Among other failures as California attorney general, Harris fought the release of Daniel Larsen, who was wrongly in-

carcerated for over a decade, even after he was exonerated, on the grounds that Larsen hadn't proved his innocence fast enough.

With a record like that, it was unsurprising that Harris never really caught on as a presidential candidate.

Harris' run for president peaked on the day she announced her candidacy, and after grabbing headlines for slamming Biden in a debate as someone cozying up to racists, she quickly fizzled out. By the time Harris withdrew from the race, support for her presidential campaign among Californians was down in the single digits.

But she was politically rescued by Biden, who inexplicably chose her as his running

mate.

Now, as vice president, Harris has managed to achieve a lower approval rating than former President Donald Trump achieved in the wake of the Jan. 6 attack on the Capitol, when a Quinnipiac University poll put his approval at 33%.

It's hard to imagine things getting much worse for her, but Harris' unyielding ambition and penchant for cringeworthy moments means she always finds a way. The vice presidency has few responsibilities, but Harris would do well to take those seriously by focusing on competency instead of her sure-to-be disastrous next run for president.

ONLINE: [HTTPS://WWW.OCREGISTER.COM/2021/11/10/KAMALA-HARRIS-IMPRESSIVELY-LOW-APPROVAL/](https://www.ocregister.com/2021/11/10/kamala-harris-impressively-low-approval/)

LIFE

FROM THE BACK PORCH

Fixing the broken pieces

Last week we were going to celebrate Hubby's birthday by having lunch with our children. My assigned task was to make the cake. Easy, right?

He didn't want a beautifully decorated cake, he only wanted his favorite cake, a Fresh Apple Cake, three layers, with a cooked, cream icing filled with coconut and pecans. No problem as that is the one he asks for every year. And we sometimes have it during the year for special occasions.

I gathered all my ingredients, chopped the pecans and prepared three pans. I was all set.

The cake came together easily and soon I had it cooking, two layers, then the third one. Soon the first two were done, then I put the third one in the oven. I placed the first two out to cool but, apparently, I let them cool too long and they did not come out of the pans easily. An edge broke off the first one, and several pieces were missing from the second one. When the third one was ready

and I tried to remove it, I virtually had to use the spatula to get it out of the pan.

I had one layer that was salvageable but the other two were in shambles. What was I going to do? You're right, I mixed up another recipe.

I made two more layers, cooled them the appropriate amount of time and they came out beautifully.

So there I was with two perfect cake layers, one patched up layer and two that could only be discarded. (Or saved and used as snacks.)

Soon I had the icing cooked, spread on the stacked cake layers and when completed, it looked perfect. One could not see the broken pieces so it served its purpose nicely.

Later, as I thought about how the broken pieces were put together and made into a perfect whole, it reminded me of how we sometimes need the broken pieces of our lives put back together by a loving, forgiving God.

Dreams are often shattered, families are

broken, loved ones have gone on before us. Jobs can be lost, friends can desert us, anxieties and depression can convince one that life is not worth living. We're in shambles.

There are a number of life situations that seemingly tear us to pieces. We may wonder if there is anything to be salvaged.

We must not give up hope. Our God is a Master who can take all the pieces and put them back in place so that no one sees the jagged edges.

Our part in the process is to just be willing to be mended and be malleable in His hands. He has a purpose for us after He gets the pieces back together.

I didn't give up on "fixing the broken pieces" of the cake but instead made it into a lovely, special dessert.

He will do even greater as He "fixes" us. All we have to do is recognize His greatness and ask Him to repair the brokenness of our lives.

Then we are able to fulfill the purpose He had for us all along.

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LIONS CLUB

Lakeside Ag Teacher Josh Utley Speaks at Minden Lions Club



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Josh Utley teaches agriculture at Lakeside High School and is a strong advocate for Ag programs in Louisiana high schools. The Minden High and Louisiana Tech graduate said that most young adults today lack basic skills – such as changing a tire, reading a tape measure, checking a thrown circuit breaker, and even rolling up a shop door – and classes such as his introduce them to core skills that they'll use their entire life. "Ag is for everybody and will change their lives," he said. "I want my kids to be productive members of society. Ag classes help them be that."

HOLIDAY LIFE

Autumn Rain

Enjoying the sound of the chilly autumn rain outside my window on the front porch as I sip my coffee and read God's Word.

All this sludge and wetness and dreariness will give way tonight to clear skies and our first real "freeze" of the season. Tomorrow promises sunshine on an azure canvas, albeit short-lived since the days are (sadly) shorter now.

A bitter chill in the air will once again put an end to the ragweed--an allergy sufferer's nightmare--that has lined ditches and byways since August and will knock the invincible Louisiana mosquitoes into their annual "winter comas" (nothing really kills them except a good "thwack" of the palm or perhaps a bug zapper device packing a hefty jolt).

It all reminds me of how the cold, wet, dreary, and sometimes dark seasons of our lives precede seasons of sun and warmth and harvest.

Without the cold, many plants and trees would miss the dormant period necessary for all the nutrients to grow and to "rest" under the icy, wet soil to prepare for the next season of harvest and bloom.

I naturally dislike leaden skies and cold, muddy, wet days--especially too many in a row. From October until about mid-April, it seems I can never keep my feet warm and am constantly hijacking my guys' hunting socks in an effort to keep my toes from going numb. . .

But when I purposefully adjust my perspective to remember that the sun is still shining behind the thunderclouds and gun-metal gray atmosphere and that it will eventually show itself again, some days in sparkling brilliance against cloudless skies and other days in subdued white and gold hues on partly cloudy days.

But it is always there. Without fail. Just like

God's faithfulness.

The rain is doing its part to fill our water tables so that we can enjoy clean water for bathing and drinking, cooking, swimming, and washing our clothes. In some parts of the world, water is scarce and clean water is a luxury, and so I never want to take the blessing of rain for granted.

My spring bulbs wait quietly and patiently just beneath the soil's surface, and the grasses and tree roots repose backstage, drinking in the rains and waiting for the curtain call signal from the heavens in spring.

And so it goes when the cold rain keeps pouring down in certain life situations and circumstances.

It is biting. It is uncomfortable. It is not the "pretty," cooling rain that we like to play and run in on warm summer days. It's gray and it's ugly and it causes unsightly black mud holes in our yards.

If icy, it can feel like a million freezing needles pricking, pelting, relentless. . . When the wind blows, it feels almost violating. We feel exposed and raw, vulnerable, irritable, or even sluggish and unmotivated. We look for the smallest ray of sunshine and all we find are more heavy, gray clouds ready to burst, more black mud puddles, more barren landscapes devoid of the spring and summer hues which yell "happiness" and that, often, we even crave. We wonder if we will ever remember how a ray of sun on our faces feels.

But. . . what if, instead of complaining and wishing for better days, we embrace the rain and welcome the cold?

What if we open our arms and receive what we know has the ability to nourish our roots and store up needed "soul" nutrients for sunnier days? What if God is using the pelting rain to shape us and to mold us into glorious

blooms bursting with color and fragrance and nectar in a coming season of abundance and harvest if we simply choose not to give up?

What if, by choosing a dark and gloomy perspective, we just plop down in a slushy mud puddle, stick our proverbial thumbs in our mouths, and sit and cry and complain, covered in mud, until the spring sun's rays appear and shine beautiful, brilliant light on all our dirt for the world to see?

As tempting as it is to sit down in that mud hole, I'd rather take advice from the tree roots and bulbs and persevere in adverse conditions, gleaning all I can away from the spotlight during the seasons of ice, rain, gray skies and bitter winds. I want to be ready when God says it is time to bloom and to shine. I don't want to stunt my own growth by harboring bad attitudes or unforgiveness or by trying to rush God's timing and natural order of things. I want to embrace every season, even the ones I don't enjoy, the ones that are unspeakably hard. Even birds know this instinctively, for some birds learn to sing in the dark of night. Soon enough, sunshine will dapple sprigs of green and tiny blooms of hope will multiply on the landscapes of our souls if we continue pressing in to God during the dark times where it is difficult to stay warm.

Consider the apostle Paul's exhortation to the early Christians and Solomon's wisdom in his old age:

"Do not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." Galatians 6:9

"There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven. . ." Ecclesiastes 3:1

Lord, as I "press in" to You in every season, I pray that it would be "well with my soul."

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SPORTS

Prep hoops season gets underway



Pictured above left is Minden's Tydarrium Green splitting a pair of Ruston defenders to make a layup on Monday night while pictured above right is the Lady Crimson Tide's Travsti Byrd putting up a jump shot during Monday's home contest against Richwood to open the 2021-22 basketball season.

PHOTOS BY DOUGLAS BLOW

Crimson Tide falls to Ruston while Minden girls edged by Richwood to open 2021-22 campaigns

T. SCOTT BOATRIGHT
Minden Press-Herald

Minden's basketball season got underway Monday night as the Crimson Tide fell 62-37 at home to Ruston. A slow start doomed the Tide as the Bearcats

roared out to a 16-4 advantage by the end of the first quarter and never looked back. E'kyrion Webb led the way for Minden with eight points while Stafford Baily Chipped in with two. Doyline is off to a 4-0

start to begin the boys hoops season with wins over Converse (74-42), Zwolle (64-63), Weston (84-60 and Stanley 74-53. The Panthers will next play at North Webster on Nov. 29. In other Webster Parish action, Calvary Baptist

defeated Lakeside 75-42 and North Webster will open the season on Tuesday with a home game against Ringgggold. **JGIRLS** The Minden High School girls basketball team fell in a close one

to open the season on Monday as Richwood held on in to defeat the Lady Crimson Tide by the score of 49-41. North Webster is scheduled to open its girls season on Oct. 29 at home against Doyline. After winning their

season opener on the road at Converse (56-45), the Doyline Lady Panthers fell in three straight games — to Zwolle (55-46), Weston (65-46) and Stanley (39-33). The Lady Panthers will next play at North Webster on Nov. 29.

Grambling State fires Fobbs before season finale in Bayou Classic

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GRAMBLING — Grambling State University Vice President of Intercollegiate Athletics Trayvean Scott announced late this afternoon that head football coach Broderick Fobbs has been relieved of his duties, effective immediately. Linebackers and Special Teams Coordinator Terrence Graves will serve as the Interim Head Coach for the 48th Annual Bayou Classic. “Earlier today, I informed head coach Broderick Fobbs of my decision to make a change in leadership of our football program,” Scott said. “Broderick Fobbs is one of the finest human beings I have had the pleasure to meet in this industry and he has been a tremendous role model

and mentor to our young men. We appreciate his many years of service to our university and wish both him and his family nothing but the best. Consistent with our values as an institution, he deserves the utmost respect from the Grambling State University Tiger family throughout this transition.” Scott said a national search for a new head coach of the G-Men will begin immediately. Fobbs guided the Tigers to a 54-32 overall record over the past seven seasons, including two SWAC Championships (2016 and 2017), two Celebration Bowl appearances and a Black College Football National Championship in 2016. Fobbs, who was a Grambling running back under the legendary Eddie G. Robinson from

1992-96, was a three-time SWAC Coach of the Year. After kicking off his coaching career on the high school level, Fobbs first worked as a college coach as a graduate assistant at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette with then head coach Jerry Baldwin, now pastor of New Living Word Ministries in Ruston. Fobbs coached at Northwestern State from 2002-07 and went to Lake Charles to coach at McNeese State University. He spent a stint at Southern Miss as wide receivers coach before returning to McNeese to coach tight ends for the Cowboys. The Tigers stand at 3-7 this season heading into the Bayou Classic on Nov. 27. Fobbs had lost three straight games to Southern in the Bayou Classic in recent years.



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Broderick Fobbs went 52-34 in seven seasons as head coach at Grambling State.

Bulldogs to close football season against Southern Miss

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Minden Press-Herald

Louisiana Tech will close out a frustrating football season starting at 6 p.m. tonight as the Bulldogs play host to Southern Mississippi. The game will be televised live by CBS-Sports Television. Tech enters the game with a little momentum after snapped a four-

game losing streak with a home win over Charlotte last weekend. “It seems like it's been forever since we've had the opportunity to sing that fight song and to have that winning feeling in the locker room after a game. So, it was certainly nice to win and to see the smiles on the faces of the players. I couldn't be more proud of the way they showed

up and played. I know there were a lot of people on the outside who were questioning what incentive or motivation does this team have to play for with no bowl or conference championship on the line. We talk about the program and the pillars we build it on with brotherhood, trust, family and commitment. Just having

the opportunity to play for each other. I'm really proud of the effort, the way they went out there and the way they played. “There's an awful lot of positive things to build on for sure moving forward. I'm really proud of the effort from this team last week and what they were able to accomplish. I'm excited to get into another one this week.”

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2021 FOOTBALL CONTEST

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2ND: THERON W. WINZER

3RD: COLLIN GREGG

Good News

GOOD NEWS

WHAT IS THE WORTH OF AN OLD SHOE BOX?

This week, all across the nation, boys and girls, men and women, churches, civic groups and service clubs will bring shoe boxes filled with age-appropriate toys and supplies to receiving locations. They will be checked, repacked in larger boxes, and then taken to hub-collection points. From there, they will be trucked to larger areas (Dallas, Atlanta, Charlotte, etc) for final inspection before being airlifted to more than a hundred poor countries. Upon arrival, they will be met by trained leaders to help distribute the shoe boxes to children in remote and poverty-stricken areas in the early months of 2022. This is lovingly referred to as the “Shoebbox Ministry” or

Operation Shoe-Box (Franklin Graham Ministry). Last year several million children received these ‘special gifts of love’ – the first gift ever received by many of them. (A reminder that God is the author of good gifts and gave the “greatest Gift of all” to us; now we send this special love on to others wrapped up in an old shoe box.)

Several years ago, while the team was busy packing the shoe boxes at First Baptist Church, a granny and her 5-year old granddaughter came by and saw the action. She asked granny what they were doing. Granny re-



Bill Crider

plied, “They are packing gift boxes for some really poor children in other countries.” The girl looked at her granny, with sad eyes, and said, “I wish I was a poor little girl so I could get me a shoe box.” Well, when the workers heard that story, they pooled some money and filled a box and delivered it to her door. No doubt, she had a very unusual Christmas.

I know the magic of an old shoe box. Growing up in a ‘cotton patch’, the Crider children saved their shoe boxes when new school shoes came each fall from Sears. Our fireplace was not big enough to hang 7 stockings around

it. (Too many stockings for farm women to have any way!) We used shoe boxes for “Old White Beard” to drop a few goodies in on Christmas Eve. He dropped in the box an apple, orange, banana, dried raisins in a cluster, several chocolate drops, some hard candy (all stuck together), a pair of socks, and maybe a small toy. (Many disappointed boys, wishing for the Red Ryder BB Gun, a bike, or the like hand to settle for a dollar store toy.) In retrospect, we were recipients of the original Operation Shoe Box shipment. Wow, how we loved those old shoe boxes! Precious memories – they are!

We can never imagine the impact such

simple gifts make in the lives of children receiving them. The excitement of opening the boxes will send shouts of joy around the world. Over the next few months, world - wide, clusters of children will have the surprise of their lives. Not only will there be toys, toiletries, and such, but in each box will be a Bible story written in the language of the child. Over the years many lives have been changed through the power of these shoe boxes. Our God can use such a simple “tool” to draw a picture of His love upon the heart and soul of children, families and entire communities.

So, save your shoe boxes for the needy children in the area needing a caring touch

from others, a word from God, and to know someone really cares for them. Why not plan (today) to make a difference in the lives of at least one family you know in need of this ‘touch of heavenly love.’ Will you give yourself this special gift of love straight from God’s own heart?

Thanksgiving will take on an entire new meaning just knowing the joy that you are wrapping up in the old shoe box. The worth of the shoe box just multiplied in value.

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THE UPWARD LOOK

Fellow Partaker

“This mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.” Ephesians 3:6 ESV

The great mystery that was once hidden and now has been revealed is that Gentiles shared equally in God’s grace. God’s church is not a Jewish church nor a Gentile church but is composed of believers from all nations, from all people groups, who trust in Jesus as Savior. There are no second-class citizens in the kingdom of God. All people, no

matter their race, nationality, or culture, all people can find forgiveness, cleansing, and righteousness through faith and trust in Christ.



Max Hutto

Lord Jesus, I am thankful to be accepted as a fellow heir and partaker of Your gospel of grace. Help me to share the glorious gospel with all people so they can believe in Christ.

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LET NOT YOUR HEART BE TROUBLED

Looking for a City

God called Abram when he was 70 years old and told him to leave his father’s house and go to the land of Canaan. He took his wife, Sarah, and his father and his nephew and went to Haran. His father died in Haran. He then took his wife and his nephew, Lot, and went to the land of Canaan. He and Lot separated. Lot moved near Sodom (sin) and soon moved to Sodom. By faith, Abraham went when he was called to a place in which

he should receive an inheritance, and he obeyed and he went out, not knowing where he went. By faith, he sojourned in the land of promise, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, for he looked for a city which had foundations whose builder and maker is God.

Come soon, Lord Jesus.



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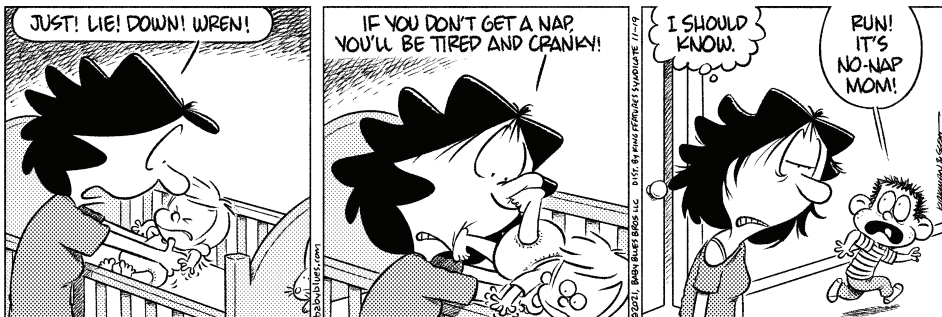
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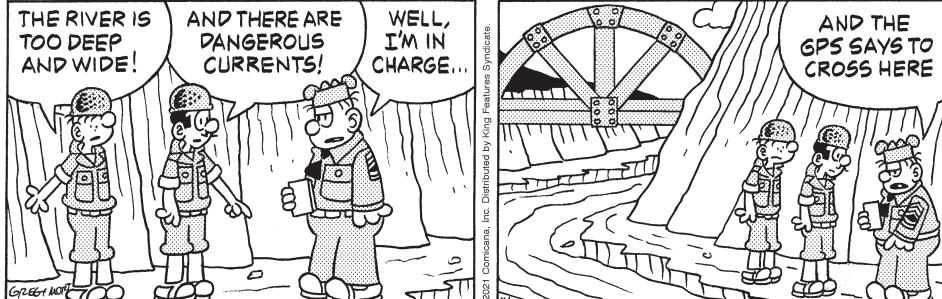
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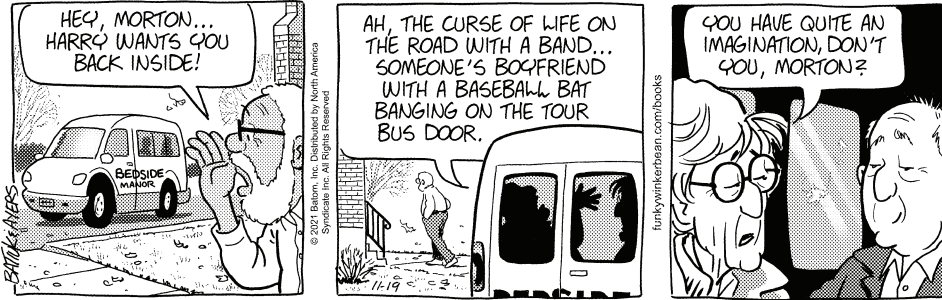
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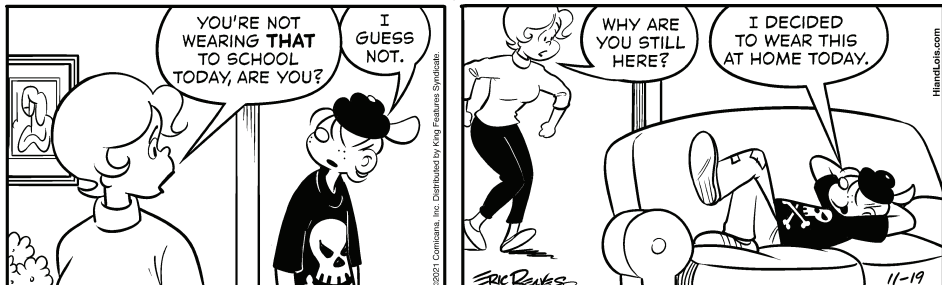
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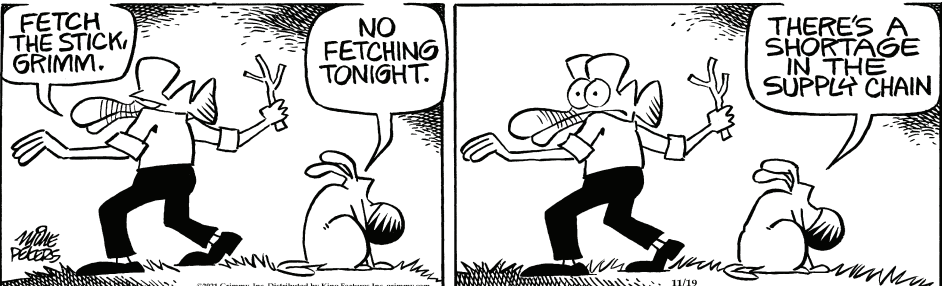
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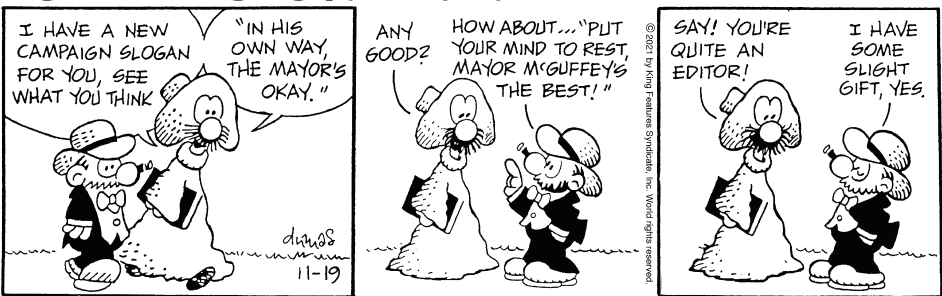
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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IF SOMEBODY IS RESEARCHING VARIOUS SORTS OF TRAVEL BAGS, ONE MIGHT CALL THAT A CASE STUDY.
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: D equals Z

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING WEBSTER PARISH POLICE JURY November 2, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Bonsall, President; Nick Cox, Vice President; Steve Lemmons, Steve Ramsey, Randy Thomas, Beverly Kennon, Vera Davison, Bruce Blanton, Ed Jordan, Allen Gilbert, and Bernard Hudson
Absent: Daniel Thomas

Mr. Jim Bonsall called the meeting to order and asked Mr. Nick Cox to open the meeting with prayer. Mr. Bernard Hudson led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Bonsall then asked for additions to the agenda.

Mr. Steve Ramsey moved, seconded by Mr. Bernard Hudson to add Board Appointments, Ratify Resolution from Library Board of Control, Employee Appreciation Day and Mr. Tracy Weston and Mr. Tim Welch to the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

There were no comments from the audience concerning the agenda.

Mr. Steve Lemmons moved, seconded by Ms. Vera Davison to approve invoices for payment pending review by juror Steve Lemmons. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ed Jordan moved, seconded by Mr. Bruce Blanton to adopt the minutes of the October 5, 2021 Road Committee, Environmental Committee, Finance Committee, and Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Allen Gilbert moved, seconded by Mr. Bernard Hudson to approve Recreational Funding for District #2, \$993.00 to Cullen Police Department to help purchase body cameras for law enforcement officers. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ed Jordan moved, seconded by Mr. Bernard Hudson to approve Board Appointments for Doyleine Waterworks District #1: Appoint Mr. Steven Bridwell to replace Ms. Courtney Lundsford to a 3-year term to expire November 2024, Appoint Ms. Andrea Coburn to replace Mr. John Montgomery to a 4-year term to expire November 2025 and to Reappoint Mr. Lee Ware to a 4-year term to expire November 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Bruce Blanton moved, seconded by Mr. Nick Cox to approve Webster Parish Police Jury Resolution 011-2021 to approve holding an election in Springhill Fire Protection District, Webster Parish, Louisiana, on Saturday, March 26, 2022, to authorize the levy of a special tax therein. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Randy Thomas moved, seconded by Ms. Beverly Kennon to approve to Award the RFP for lease on Webster Parish Police Jury Receiving Station, 123 Wenk's Landing Road, Sarepta, LA 71071 to Knight Services LA. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Nick Cox moved, seconded by Ms. Vera Davison to approve to Appoint Webster Parish Library Board of Control Board Appointments: Reappoint George French, III to a 5-year term to expire 12/31/2026. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ed Jordan moved, seconded by Mr. Nick Cox to approve to Ratify Resolution 2021-10-29 approving the action needed to authorize the Library Director on behalf of the Webster Parish Police Jury to purchase property located at 183 Fuller Street, Doyleine, LA 71023 at the appraised value of thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000). Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Bruce Blanton moved, seconded by Ms. Vera Davison to Approve that November 19, 2021 will be "Employee Appreciation Day". Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Tracy Weston and Mr. Tim Welch addressed the jury on a petition to hold an election concerning alcohol sales. Discussion followed.

COMMENTS: Wanda Finley WP OCS HeadStart Savannah Jones WP Library Allen Moseley WP Coroner Jason Parker WP Sheriff Brian Williams WPPJ OEP/Homeland Security Director Angie Chapman E911 Director

Mr. Steve Ramsey moved, seconded by Mr. Steve Lemmons to approve the action taken at the Road Committee Meeting held earlier today. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Nick Cox moved, seconded by Mr. Steve Ramsey to approve the action taken at the Finance Committee Meeting held earlier today. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jim Bonsall then gave Presidents' closing remarks.

There being no further business to bring before the Jury, the meeting adjourned.

/s/
Lisa C. Balkorn
Secretary-Treasurer

/s/
Jim Bonsall
President

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Minden Planning Commission Meeting

December 2, 2021 – 10:00 a.m.

Pelican Room - Minden City Hall

On the agenda is a request from MGM Development Group, option holder on property belonging to Anti-Pest and Veitch, Inc., for a zoning change from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to R-5 (Multifamily Residential) on property located at 711, 715, 719, and 723 Germantown Road.

The purpose of this zoning change is for the proposed construction of a 50-unit, gated, senior citizen retirement community on this site. The \$10.2 million development will be duplexes and will also have a community clubhouse.

Legal Description: LOTS #2, 3, 4, & 5, GERMANTOWN SUBDIV. IN SW¼ OF NW¼ SEC. 14-19-9, LESS 2.20 AC. PREVIOUSLY SOLD, & LESS LOT #1 SOLD

All interested parties will be given a chance to be heard.

**November 12, 2021
November 19, 2021
November 23, 2021**

NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE SALE

WHEREAS, on June 15, 2010, a certain Mortgage was executed by Charles Wayne Wiley, mortgagor, in favor of Genworth Financial Home Equity Access, as mortgagee, and was recorded on July 6, 2010 in Mortgage Book 739, Page 227, File No. 520714, in the Office of the Mortgage Records of the Clerk of Court, Webster Parish, Louisiana. Thereafter, a Fixed Rate Home Equity Conversion Second Mortgage was executed on June 15, 2010 and recorded on July 6, 2010 in Mortgage Book 739, Page 240, File No. 520715, in the Office of the Mortgage Records of the Clerk of Court, Webster Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the Mortgage was insured by the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (the Secretary) pursuant to the National Housing Act, 12 U.S.C. § 1707 et seq., for the purpose of providing single family housing; and

WHEREAS, the Mortgage is now owned by the Secretary, pursuant to an assignment dated May 11, 2017 and recorded on June 6, 2017 in File No. 566166 in the office of the Mortgage Records of the Clerk of

Court, Webster Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, a default has been made in the covenants and conditions of the Mortgage in that the borrower, Charles Wayne Wiley is deceased as of May 1, 2019 and the property is not the principal residence of at least one surviving borrower; and

WHEREAS, the entire amount delinquent as of August 20, 2019 is \$173,940.88.

WHEREAS, by virtue of this default, the Secretary has declared the entire amount of the indebtedness secured by the Mortgage to be immediately due and payable;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to powers vested in me by the Single Family Mortgage Foreclosure Act of 1994, 12 U.S.C. § 3751 et seq., by 24 CFR part 27, subpart B, and by the Secretary's designation of me as Foreclosure Commissioner, recorded on March 10, 2021, in Book 3450, Page 780, at Instrument No. 12113654, Parish of Jefferson, State of Louisiana, notice is hereby given that on **December 2, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.** local time, all real and personal property at or used in connection with the following described premises ("Property") will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder:

Beginning at the Southeast corner of the East half of the Northwest Quarter (SE¼ of E½ of NW¼) Section 1, Township 19 North, Range 9 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana, thence run West 1262 feet, thence run North 00 degrees 35 minutes East 1708.17 feet, thence run East 460 feet thence run South 00 degrees 35 minutes West 900 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continue South 00 degrees 35 minutes West 225 feet; thence run East a distance of 191.5 feet; thence run North 00 degrees 35 minutes East a distance of 225 feet; thence run West a distance of 191.5 feet to the Point of Beginning, together with all improvements, located thereon and all rights, thereunto, together with all improvements and all rights thereto belonging (This property is also known as Lot Five (5), Sugar Creek Subdivision, an unrecorded subdivision).

Which has the address of 362 Sugar Creek Loop, Minden, LA 71055.

The sale will be held at 362 Sugar Creek Loop, Minden, LA 71055.

There will be no proration of taxes, rents or other income or liabilities, except that the purchaser will pay, at or before closing, his prorata share of any real estate taxes that have been paid by the Secretary to the date of the foreclosure sale.

When making their bids, all bidders except the Secretary must submit a deposit totaling **\$17,394.09** [10% of the Secretary's bid] in the form of a certified check or cashier's check made out to the Secretary HUD. A deposit need not accompany each oral bid. If the successful bid is oral, a deposit of **\$17,394.09** must be presented before the bidding is closed. The deposit is nonrefundable. The remainder of the purchase price must be delivered within 30 days of the sale or at such other time as the Secretary may determine for good cause shown, time being of the essence. This amount, like the bid deposits, must be delivered in the form of a certified or cashier's check. If the Secretary is the highest bidder, he need not pay the bid amount in cash. The successful bidder will pay all conveying fees, all real estate and other taxes that are due on or after the delivery date of the remainder of the payment and all other costs associated with the transfer of title. At the conclusion of the sale, the deposits of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them.

The Secretary may grant and extension of time within which to deliver the remainder of the payment. All extensions will be for 15-day increments for a fee of \$500.00, paid in advance. The extension fee shall be in the

form of a certified or cashier's check made payable to the Secretary of HUD. If the high bidder closes the sale prior to the expiration of any extension period, the unused portion of the extension fee shall be applied toward the amount due.

If the high bidder is unable to close the sale within the required period, or within any extensions of time granted by the Secretary, the high bidder may be required to forfeit the cash deposit or, at the election of the foreclosure commissioner after consultation with the HUD representative, will be liable to HUD for any costs incurred as a result of such failure. The Commissioner may, at the direction of the HUD representative, offer the property to the second highest bidder for an amount equal to the highest price offered by that bidder.

There is no right of redemption, or right of possession based upon a right of redemption, in the mortgagor or others subsequent to a foreclosure completed pursuant to the Act. Therefore, the Foreclosure Commissioner will issue a Deed to the purchaser(s) upon receipt of the entire purchase price in accordance with the terms of the sale as provided herein. HUD does not guarantee that the property will be vacant.

The scheduled foreclosure sale shall be cancelled or adjourned if it is established, by documented written application of the mortgagor to the Foreclosure Commissioner not less than 3 days before the date of sale, or otherwise, that the default or defaults upon which the foreclosure is based do not exist at the time of service of this notice of default and foreclosure sale, or all amounts due under the mortgage agreement are tendered to the Foreclosure Commissioner, in the form of a certified or cashier's check payable to the Secretary of HUD, before public auction of the property is completed.

The amount that must be paid if the mortgage is to be reinstated prior to the scheduled sale is **\$173,940.88 as of December 2, 2021**, plus all other amounts that would be due under the mortgage agreement if payments under the mortgage had not been accelerated, advertising costs and postage expenses incurred in giving notice, mileage by the most reasonable road distance for posting notices and for the Foreclosure Commissioner's attendance at the sale, reasonable and customary costs incurred for title and lien records searches, the necessary out-of-pocket costs incurred by the Foreclosure Commissioner for recording documents, a commission for the Foreclosure Commissioner, and all other costs incurred in connection with the foreclosure prior to reinstatement.

Tender of payment by certified or cashier's check or application for cancellation of the foreclosure sale shall be submitted to the address of the Foreclosure Commissioner provided below. Date: October _____, 2021.

Foreclosure Commissioner
LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP
Penny M. Daigrepoint, Attorney
Louisiana Bar Roll Number 30464
3510 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 6000
Metairie, LA 70002
Phone (504) 831-7726
Fax (504) 837-7622

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November 23, 2021
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The town of Cotton Valley will be accepting sealed bids for the vehicles listed below. Bids can be dropped off at 478 Resident St. or mailed to P.O. Box 415, Cotton Valley, La. 71018. We will be accepting bids for one week within the time frame of November 29-December 6, 2021.

Surplus Vehicles:
1. Gray Ford Crown Vic.
VIN: 2FAFP-71W5X101836
Transmission prob-

lems

2. Brown Ford pickup
VIN: 1FTRW-07643KA58637
Turns over but will not run

3. White Ford Crown Vic.(No front guard)
VIN: 2FAFP-71W95X146819
Transmission problems

4. White Ford Crown Vic.(with front guard)
VIN: 2FAHP-71w96x160372
Transmission problems

5. Dark gray Crown Vic
VIN: 2F1FP-71W64X107178
Unsure of the issues with this vehicle

6. White Ford Crown Vic
VIN: 2FAFP-71W76X13485
Unsure of the issues with this vehicle

7. Blue Crown Vic
VIN: 2FAFP-71W32X149014
Unsure of the issues with this vehicle

8. Blue Crown Vic
VIN: 2FAFP-71WSYX11236
Unsure of the issues with this vehicle

9. Gray Ford Crown Vic
VIN: 2FAFP-71W5X101836
Transmission

10. White Ford Crown Vic (No front guard)
VIN: 2FAFP-71W95X146819
Transmission

11. White Ford Crown Vic (Front guard)
2FAHP-71W96X160372
Transmission

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SHERIFF'S SALE

FLAGSTAR BANK VS. ROBERT ELI MOSLEY, IV A/K/A ROBERT E. MOSLEY, IV A/K/A ROBERT MOSLEY, IV AND AMY HERLANT MOSLEY A/K/A AMY H. MOSLEY A/K/A AMY MOSLEY A/K/A AMY NAVARRE MOSLEY A/K/A AMY N. MOSLEY

In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana,

No. 78558

By virtue of a WRIT OF SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, in the above styled and numbered suit and to me directed, I have seized and taken into my possession and will offer for sale at public auction to the last and highest bidder for cash **WITHOUT** the benefit of appraisal and according to law at the principal front door of the Courthouse in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana on **WEDNESDAY, December 22, 2021**, During the legal sale hours, the following property, to wit:

A tract of land in Government LOT 3, Section 31, Township 17 North, Range 10 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana, and more particularly described as:

Begin at the Southeast corner of LOT 3, Section 31, Township 17 North, Range 10 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana; thence run North 104.35 feet; more or less, to the meander line of Lake Bistineau; thence South 22 degrees West 112.7 feet to the point of beginning together with all improvements thereon and all rights thereto belonging, bearing GEO: 103368;

And begin at the

Southeast corner of Lot 3, Section 31, Township 17 North, Range 10 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana; thence run North 22 degrees East along the meander line of Lake Bistineau a distance of 563.4 feet to the Northeast corner of Tract 3 above described, the point of beginning of the property herein described. From said point of beginning, run West 1,043 feet to the East line of the property now or previously owned by Wayne Edward Jerden; thence run North 104.35 feet; thence East 1,085 feet, more or less, to the meander line of Lake Bistineau; thence South 22 degrees West along the meander line of Lake Bistineau a distance of 112.7 feet to the point of beginning, together with all improvements thereon and all rights belonging, including the right of access granted by that certain right of way agreement, dated September 13, 1982, recorded in Conveyance Book 576, Page 669, in the Office of the Clerk of Court of Webster Parish, together with all lands and improvements located thereon, bearing GEO: 101188.

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

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

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

Linda Vaughan - Deputy

**November 19, 2021
December 17, 2021
Minden Press-Herald**

Summary of Public Notice:

Project Owner: Retirement Villas of Minden, L.P.
Project Name: Retirement Villas of Minden
Project Address: 711 Germantown Road Minden Louisiana
Total Units: 50 New Construction Duplex Units (Elderly) – 1 & 2 Bedroom Units

Retirement Villas of Minden, L.P. is pleased to propose a gated retirement community development which will be new construction and named Retirement Villas of Minden. The development is classified strictly as elderly housing and will have 50 total units which will be duplexes with six, one-bedroom units, and forty-four, two-bedroom units. The development will consist of a community facility and supportive services which will be available for the tenants. The applicant is applying for a reservation of 9% LIHTC's from the Louisiana Housing Corporation.

The total estimated development cost is \$ 10,201,957. The development will be funded with private financing and equity proceeds from the sale of Low-Income Housing Tax Credits and other financing provided as follows (Amounts are estimated):

Permanent Financing	\$ 1,800,000
LIHTC Equity	\$ 8,599,140
Deferred Developer Fee	\$ 307,568
Other:	\$ -0-
Total sources of funds	\$ 10,706,708

NOTE: Please contact the Coalition for Safe, Affordable Housing attention Mr. Gresham at COsAHDirector@gmail.com for any questions regarding this notice

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November 19, 2021
November 23, 2021
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Town of Cotton Valley - Town Hall
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through December 2022

Propose

	Jan - Dec 22	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
41400 • Ad Valorem Tax Income	0.00	41,225.00	-41,225.00	0.0%
41403 • Beer Tax	0.00	405.00	-405.00	-0.0%
41404 • Beer License	0.00	228.00	-228.00	0.0%
41406 • Fines & Bonds	0.00	75,500.00	-75,500.00	0.0%
41408 • Franchise Tax LP&L & SW Nat	0.00	15,000.00	-15,000.00	0.0%
Total Income	0.00	132,358.00	-132,358.00	0.0%
Expense				
60050 • Ad Valorem Collection Fee	0.00	2,800.00	-2,800.00	0.0%
60000 • Advertiaing and Promotion	0.00	1,500.00	-1,900.00	0.0%
60100 • Alderman Expense	0.00	6,000.00	-6,000.00	0.0%
60200 • Audit Expense	0.00	8,750.00	-8,750.00	0.0%
61702 • Contract Labor	0.00	17,100.00	-17,100.00	0.0%
62500 • Dues and Subscriptions	0.00	3,850.00	-3,950.00	0.0%
62600 • Fuel	0.00	11,000.00	-11,000.00	0.0%
63100 • Insurance Expense	0.00	46,000.00	-46,000.00	0.0%
63410 • Legal	0.00	7,500.00	-7,500.00	0.0%
64200 • Mayor Expense	0.00	7,800.00	-7,800.00	0.0%
64900 • Office Supplies	0.00	7,000.00	-7,000.00	0.0%
65000 • Payroll Expenses	0.00	108,000.00	-108,000.00	0.0%
65500 • Payroll Taxes	0.00	13,000.00	-13,000.00	0.0%
66050 • Patrol Car Expense	0.00	5,000.00	-5,000.00	0.0%
66391 • Police Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	150.00	-150.00	0.0%
66390 • Coroner Expense	0.00	1,100.00	-1,100.00	0.0%
66275 • Police Office Expense	0.00	700.00	-700.00	0.0%
66300 • Police Salaries	0.00	50,000.00	-50,000.00	0.0%
66380 • Police Uniforms	0.00	110.00	-110.00	0.0%
66390 • Police Supplies	0.00	4,700.00	-4,700.00	0.0%
66510 • Printing & Reproductions	0.00	1,200.00	-1,200.00	0.0%
66650 • Prisoner Housing	0.00	520.00	-520.00	0.0%
66700 • Professional Fees	0.00	17,000.00	-17,000.00	0.0%
67125 • Repairs and Maintenance	0.00	2,375.00	-2,375.00	0.0%
67200 • Supplies	0.00	400.00	-400.00	0.0%
67300 • Telephone & Pager Expense	0.00	4,600.00	-4,600.00	0.0%
68400 • Travel Expense	0.00	13,300.00	-13,300.00	0.0%
68450 • Uniforms	0.00	1,300.00	-1,300.00	0.0%
68950 • Utility Salaries	0.00	28,000.00	-28,000.00	0.0%
68950 • Utilities	0.00	9,200.00	-9,200.00	0.0%
Total Expense	-0.00	380,455.00	-380,455.00	0.0%
Net Ordinary Income	0.00	-248,097.00	.248,097.00	0.0%

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11/02/21
Accrual Basis

Town of Cotton Valley - Town Hall
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through December 2022

	Jan - Dec 22	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Other Income/Expense				
Other Income				
90000 • Other Income	0.00	6,500.00	-6,500.00	0.0%
Total Other Income	0.00	6,500.00	-6,500.00	0.0%
Net Other Income	0.00	6,500.00	-6,500.00	0.0%
Net Income	0.00	-241,597.00	.241,597.00	0.0%

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Accrual Basis

Town of Cotton Valley - Sales Tax Acct.
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through December 2022

	Jan - Dec 22	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
3400 • Sales tax Revenue	0.00	86,000.00	-86,000.00	0.0%
Total Income	0.00	86,000.00	-86,000.00	0.0%
Net Ordinary Income	0.00	86,000.00	-86,000.00	0.0%
Net Income	0.00	86,000.00	-86,000.00	0.0%

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Accrual Basis

Town of Cotton Valley - Utilities
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through December 2022

	Jan - Dec 22	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
40000 • Water & Sewer Sales	0.00	465,000.00	-465,000.00	0.0%
40100 • Bulk Water Sold	0.00	12,500.00	-12,500.00	0.0%
Total Income	0.00	477,500.00	-477,500.00	0.0%
Expense				
62100 • Contract Labor	0.00	18,500.00	-18,500.00	0.0%
62700 • Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	1,850.00	-1,850.00	0.0%
63000 • Fuel Expense	0.00	3,200.00	-3,200.00	0.0%
63100 • Insurance Expense	0.00	7,250.00	-7,250.00	0.0%
63250 • Materials & Supplies	0.00	3,200.00	-3,200.00	0.0%
66500 • Postage & Delivery	0.00	2,500.00	-2,500.00	0.0%
67200 • Repairs & Maintenan...	0.00	37,700.00	-37,700.00	0.0%
68200 • Trash Services	0.00	75,000.00	-75,000.00	0.0%
68600 • Utilities Expense	0.00	41,000.00	-41,000.00	0.0%
Total Expense	0.00	190,200.00	-190,200.00	0.0%
Net Ordinary Income	0.00	287,300.00	-287,300.00	0.0%
Other Income/Expense				
Other Income				
75100 • ARPA Grant Income	0.00	173,090.91	-173,090.91	0.0%
75000 • Other Income	0.00	21,000.00	-21,000.00	0.0%
Total Other Income	0.00	194,090.91	-194,090.91	0.0%
Net Other Income	0.00	194,090.91	-194,090.91	0.0%
Net Income	0.00	481,390.91	-481,390.91	0.0%

November 19, 2021
November 23, 2021
November 30, 2021
December 3, 2021
December 10, 2021
Minden Press-Herald

Public Notice:

Project Owner: Webster Village 2022, LP
Project Name: Webster Village Subdivision
Project Address: 101 Knight Street
Minden (Webster Parish), LA
Total Units: 24 Unit Single-Family (3 & 4 Bedroom Units)

The project owner is proposing the rehabilitation of Webster Village Subdivision, a 24-unit mixed income single-family development. The development will consist of a community facility and supportive services which will be available for tenants. The applicant is competing for a reservation of 9% LIHTC's from the Louisiana Housing Corporation.

The total estimated development cost is \$ 5,246,803. The development will be funded with private financing and equity proceeds from the sale of Low Income Housing and Historic Tax Credits and other financing provided from the Louisiana Housing Corporation as follows (Amounts are estimated):

Conventional Financing	\$ 486,312
Seller Mortgage	\$ 395,000
LIHTC Equity	\$ 4,204,966
Deferred Developer Fee	\$ 85,525
Other:	\$ 75,000

Total sources of funds \$ 5,246,803

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November 23, 2021
November 30, 2021
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OF

ALINE TULLIS ROBINSON

NUMBER: 17,426

26TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

WEBSTER PARISH, LOUISIANA

NOTICE OF FILING OF TABLEAU OF DISTRIBUTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Administratrix of the Succession of Aline Tullis Robinson

has filed a *Petition* for authority to pay charges and debts of the succession, in accordance with a

Tableau of Distribution attached to the *Petition*.

The *Petition* can be homologated after the expiration of seven (7) days from the date of this

publication; any opposition to the *Petition* must be filed prior to homologation.

DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT

Notice Prepared by:

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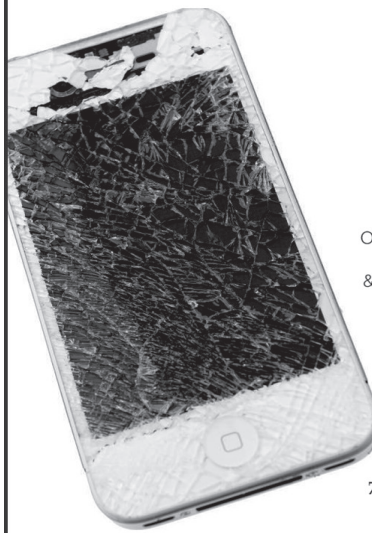
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