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COMMUNITY

## Lions give to pups in need



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Members of the Minden Lions Club recently made a donation of dog and puppy food to the Webster Humane Association Inc., a local non-profit animal rescue organization. WHA relies on volunteers and foster homes to provide temporary shelter for stray and abandoned pets. To volunteer or to make a donation to the Webster Humane Association, please call (318) 377-7433. Pictured are Lion Jerry Madden, District 8L Governor; Lion Charles Purdy, club secretary/treasurer; Stephanie Gantt, WHA volunteer and donation coordinator; Lion Tracy L. Campbell, club president; and Lion Jake Chapman, immediate club past president.

GOVERNMENT

## Fiscal watchdog gives Louisiana low marks for financial transparency

(The Center Square) - Fiscal watchdog Truth in Accounting has knocked Louisiana's annual financial report with several low-transparency findings. State governments release comprehensive annual financial reports every year that are audited by certified public accountants and serve as bedrock public information regarding each state's financial condition. The open-government nonprofit said these "important-but-obscurer" documents often fail best practices found in the private sector. Its latest analysis, Financial Transparency Score 2021, explores fiscal year 2020 state data to "encourage the publication of transparent and accurate government financial information." Louisiana's annual report, the group said, falls short with respect to accessibility, navigation, ex-

ternal auditors and pension data timing. In each area researchers assigned a score of 1 or 2 out of 10 possible points. When incorporating high marks for the accuracy of all financial information presented, the single most important criterion, and for including off-balance sheet liabilities, which many states hide, Louisiana's overall transparency score was 79 out of 100. The lackluster score appears slightly better in context, as widespread transparency issues led the Chicago-based watchdog to determine a score of 80 or above was "noteworthy." "Overall the 50 states' transparency scores worsened compared to the previous years," researchers said. "Every state received funds from the CARES Act in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, which highlighted

weaknesses that existed in states' unemployment insurance." Other factors preventing states from receiving better scores included timeliness in reporting and the use of outdated pension information, they said. Louisiana's pension information received low marks for timing and non-independent review, meaning government employees audited pension data, not external auditors. The state's annual financial report was not easily accessible online, the group found, nor was it easily searchable when it was reviewed. Utah, Maryland and South Dakota ranked highest with scores of 88, 87 and 87, respectively. North Carolina, Georgia and Colorado ranked last with scores of 54, 54 and 46, respectively. Truth in Accounting

emphasized the importance of accurately reporting financial information, where Louisiana excelled and the bottom three states received "flunk opinions" from their initial annual report audits. The group also highlighted the problem of hidden liabilities, or expenses that show up in yearly financial reports but are kept out of balanced budget deliberations in state legislatures and off-the-books in local governments. Accounting changes have made the practice more difficult in recent years, researchers noted. "However, only 20 states reported 95 percent or more of their retirement liabilities, which is down from 34 states last year. In FY 2020, total hidden debt among the states amounted to \$197 billion," they concluded.

THANKSGIVING CRASH

## Sibley man succumbs to injuries suffered from Thanksgiving Webster Parish crash

Dixie Inn - On Thursday, November 25, 2021, just before 6:00 p.m., Troopers assigned to Louisiana State Police Troop G began investigating a one-vehicle fatality crash on LA Hwy 528, just west of US Hwy 371. This crash ultimately claimed the life of 58-year-old Floyd Gray II. The initial investigation revealed a 2019 Ford pickup, driven by Gray, was traveling east on LA Hwy 528. For reasons still under investigation, Gray left the roadway, traveled through a ditch, became airborne, and overturned. Gray, who was restrained, was transported to Minden Medical Center with life-threatening-injuries. This

morning, Gray succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced dead at the hospital. Impairment is not suspected to be a factor in this crash; however, routine toxicology samples were taken and submitted for analysis. The crash remains under investigation. While the cause of this crash remains under investigation, distracted and inattentive driving continues to be a leading cause of crashes in our state. Louisiana State Police urges all motorists to stay alert while driving. A lapse in one's awareness can have deadly consequences. In 2021, Troop G has investigated 34 fatal crashes, resulting in 36 deaths.

GAS BUDDY

## Gas price declines slowly pick up momentum

(November 29, 2021) - Louisiana gas prices have fallen 2.0 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.08/g today, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 2,436 stations in Louisiana. Gas prices in Louisiana are 8.4 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand \$1.26/g higher than a year ago. The lowest price in the state today is \$2.69/g while the highest is \$3.69/g, a difference of 100.0 cents per gallon. "Gas price declines are slowly picking up momentum. With oil's recent fall and the jury out on a new Covid variant, Omicron, we could be in store for lower prices based on many countries turning back to travel restrictions, limiting oil demand and potentially accelerating the drop in gas prices," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy. The national average price of gasoline has fallen 3.4 cents per gallon in the last week, av-

eraging \$3.37/g today. The national average is down 1.4 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands \$1.26/g higher than a year ago. "There remains a very high level of uncertainty ahead of us as OPEC has also delayed its meetings to await more market movements and information on Omicron. But so far, Americans can expect the new variant to push gas prices even lower. Beyond the next few weeks, it remains nearly impossible to predict where oil and gas prices will head, though turbulence is guaranteed," said De Haan. GasBuddy is the authoritative voice for gas prices and the only source for station-level data spanning nearly two decades. GasBuddy's survey updates 288 times every day from the most diverse list of sources covering nearly 150,000 stations nationwide, the most comprehensive and up-to-date in the country.

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## BLOTTER

### Recent Arrests in Webster Parish

Timothy Grim, 51, of the 900 block of East Street, was arrested for failure to appear in court, resisting an arrest, theft, disturbing the peace through language, and remaining on premises after being forbidden.

Lynnell Jones, 31, of the 800 block of Fincher Road, was arrested for failure to appear in court.

Christy Turner, 44, of the 700 block of Gladney Street, was arrested for resisting arrest.

Tajuan Abbott, 24, of the 900 block of Mayfield Street, was arrested for failure to appear in court.

Maya Holmes, 19, of the 100 block of Oscar Moore Road, was arrested for

failure to appear in court.

Jonathan Thompson, 41, of the 100 block of N East 3rd Street, was arrested for domestic abuse battery.

Michael Williams, 45, of the 100 block of Mattie Lane, was arrested for being a fugitive of Claiborne Sheriff's office.

Taylor Cade, 30, of the 4900 block of Haughton was arrested for domestic abuse battery and speeding.

Leah Dison, 33, of the 500 block of Thorpe Lane, was arrested on a warrant.

James Ward III, 25, of the 500 block of Fuller Street, was arrested for domestic abuse battery.

Joshua Dick, 22, of the 17200 block of Highway

79, was arrested on a warrant.

Allen Bankston, 19, of the 500 block of Patrick Street, was arrested for a hit and run and careless operation of a motor vehicle.

Annette Bromsey, 30, of the 1500 block of School Street, was arrested for possession of a schedule I substance, possession of schedule II with intent to distribute, controlled dangerous substance in the presence of a minor, no child restraint, and no vehicle insurance.

Corey Scott, 52, of the 1400 block of School Street, was arrested for resisting an officer, flight from an officer, and being a fugitive from Bienville Parish.

## STATE RANKINGS

# Louisiana stands at 4th for most drug overdose deaths

More Americans are dying from drug overdoses than ever before, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. There were an estimated 100,306 fatal overdoses over the 12 months through April 2021 -- the most ever reported in a 12-month period and double the annual number of car accidents and firearm deaths combined.

The fatal drug overdose rate in Louisiana now stands at 47.6 deaths for every 100,000 people, the fourth-highest among all states. Nationwide, the per capita fatality rate stands at 30.3 per 100,000.

The record number of

deadly overdoses marks a 29% increase from the same period a year earlier and is more than double the number reported as recently as 2014. Public health experts attribute the surge to the proliferation of fentanyl -- a synthetic opioid reported to be 50 to 100 times more potent than morphine -- as well as the COVID-19 pandemic. The pandemic has isolated many Americans struggling with addiction while reducing their treatment options and care resources.

In Louisiana, drug overdose deaths are rising at a faster pace than they are nationwide. There were an estimated 2,218 fatal overdoses in

Louisiana over the 12 months ending in April 2021, compared to 1,463 over the same period the year prior. The 51.6% increase ranks as the fourth largest of all 46 states that reported an increase in deadly overdoses.

All overdose data used in this story are from the National Center for Health Statistics, a division of the CDC. To account for pending investigations and incomplete counts, the numbers reported are estimates calculated by the NCHS. Population-adjusted fatality rates were calculated using population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau's Decennial Census.

## COVID

# Landry challenges health department plan to require COVID vaccinations for school children

(The Center Square) – Louisiana Attorney General Jeff Landry sent a letter to the state Department of Health on Monday asserting the department's plan to require COVID-19 vaccinations for students is unconstitutional.

The letter also laid out steps for the Louisiana Legislature to curtail the measure, which stands to be implemented through the executive branch health agency.

Gov. John Bel Edwards, a Democrat, and state-level health officials have embraced COVID-19 vaccinations for all eligible Louisianans. Landry, a conservative Republican, supports vaccinations while opposing government mandates.

If the new rule in finalized, COVID-19 vaccinations would be added to the list of required immu-

nizations to attend K-12 schools, effectively mandating them for hundreds of thousands of children.

"Today I have sent a letter to the Louisiana Department of Health informing them of fatal flaws that exist with this attempted rule," Landry said in a statement. "It is my hope that our elected representatives act in protection of our medical freedoms."

The letter, addressed to Secretary Dr. Courtney Phillips, warns the Health Department is exceeding its authority by requiring "an mRNA injection that does not prevent disease" – a reference to the notion that vaccinated individuals still may get infected and transmit the virus.

Requests for comment Monday from the Department of Health were not returned.

Landry wrote the Legis-

lature only has authorized the department's Office of Public Health to approve immunizations for "vaccine-preventable diseases," and Louisiana would join California as the only states in the country to mandate COVID-19 vaccinations for school entry.

"Louisiana's proposed rule goes even further than the California governor's executive order as it goes so far as to require vaccination of elementary school children, whereas California only requires COVID-19 shots for middle and high school students and is not effective until July of 2022," the letter read.

The Department of Health released a "notice of intent" Sept. 20 to amend the list of required K-12 vaccinations, as required by the Administrative Procedures Act.

"The proposed amend-

ments add vaccines for SARS-CoV-2 to the list of required vaccinations for school entry to the extent that such vaccines are approved by the Food and Drug Administration for the individual's age, and also require such vaccines, and all potential boosters, on the same basis for school attendance," the notice read.

Neither the governor's office nor the Department of Health issued press releases or otherwise promoted key aspects of the mandate's rule-making process. According to the September notice, the

window to request a public hearing expired Oct. 10, and a required public comment period expired Oct. 28.

Landry said Monday parents, grandparents and legal guardians of school children have been "muzzled" and kept from participating in the process.

"Coercion is not consent," he said.

Edwards and State Health Officer Dr. Joseph Kanter endorsed the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) formal recommendation Nov. 3 for children ages

5-11 to receive the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine.

The recommendation followed FDA approval and coincided with the Department of Health alerting Louisiana vaccine providers to begin administering vaccinations to eligible children appropriately.

"This is exactly the news we've been waiting to hear, and I'm especially glad that the best protection we have against COVID-19 is now being afforded to our children ages 5-11," Edwards said.



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	TEMP	WIND
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## BIRTHDAYS FOR

**NOVEMBER 30, 2021**  
 La'Miracle Gaseway  
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 Tamika Washington

### OBITUARIES



## Dr. Andrea Nicole (Nikki) Pharr

March 13, 1978-November 24, 2021

A Christian burial service will be held in honor of Dr. Andrea Nicole (Nikki) Pharr at Rose-Neath Funeral Home of Minden, LA. The wake will begin at 10:00 a.m. and service

starts 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 30, 2021, with Bishop Drew Rousse of Faith Cathedral New Iberia, LA officiating.

A native of Minden, Louisiana, Nikki was born to Donald C. Pharr and Sharon Renee Oller Pharr on March 13, 1978 and went home to be with Jesus at 07:52 p.m. Wednesday, November 24, 2021, while at home with family.

Nikki was preceded in death by her mother by her mother, Sharon Renee Oller Pharr, grandmothers, Gladys (Mimi) Walker Oller, Hazel Hanson Johnson and grandfather, John D. Pharr.

She is survived by her father, Donald C. Pharr and step-mom, Susan Delaine (Mamacita) Pharr, one brother, Donald Brandon Pharr and one sister, Robin Lynette Pharr. A nephew, Landyn (L.J.) Pharr and niece, Layla Grace Pharr and a loving family of many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Nikki began her life in Springhill, Louisiana and at the tender age of four she traveled to the Philippines with her family on the mission field and it was there that she lost her mother. Several years later her father married the one who would nurture her through life, forever being beloved "Mamacita." She graduated from high school in St Martinville, Louisiana and continued her studies in Shreveport at Centenary College and then on to LSU where she received her Master's Degree. Nikki obtained her PhD and opened her own counsel-

ing office in Minden then later another in Springhill, Louisiana. From cleaning tables to a gun toting security guard, Nikki paved and paid her own way through life, living every single second of it. Her will was stronger than any rock in front of her, no matter how large the rock. She was not just a dreamer chasing dreams but more like a force that grabbed each dream by its horns and wrestled it into being (and Nikki ALWAYS had a dream).

She inherited her love of adventure from her father and loved to hunt with her dad "Pop pop," "Mamacita," and her brother who was called too many things to mention here. Whether the local woods or the Rocky Mountains, it didn't matter as long as they were together.

Nikki hopped from cruise to cruise and vacationed in Ireland and Scotland and was recently planning a trip to Greece for her and her mother (secretly, of course). She and her older sister shared their passion for music and could stay on the phone for hours. They were extremely close throughout her life, but she doted on "The Frowner," which was one of the names she called her brother.

Her faith in God was strong and her sense of right, wrong, and fair play never wavered. Nikki played several musical instruments but was known best for her drumming skills and played at her church, Faith Restoration in Minden, Louisiana.

Family was everything to Nikki and she loved them extravagantly. She built her life around them and poured and poured her affection on them to the very end. She was a giver and if you were her family or her friend there is honestly nothing in the world she wouldn't do for you. Nikki and her father were like Twinkies. You usually didn't see them apart. She was her daddy's baby girl and boy how they loved each other. Her dazzling little light will forever shine.

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## Gladys Loriece Cox

Gladys Loriece Cox went home to Jesus on Sunday, November 28, 2021 at age of 90. A celebration of her life will be held on Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Cotton Valley. A graveside service will follow at the Cotton Valley Cemetery.

Loriece was born to Warren and Nellie Young on April 5, 1931 in Dodson, Louisiana. As a child, she remembered a school bus driver asking the children on her bus if they would like to go to church. She, her brothers, and sister would ride the school bus to church. This act of kindness was the beginning of a long life with the Lord and His church at the center of it.

Loriece met her husband, Clarence "Cat" Cox in 1949 on a blind date. They married on April 9, 1949 and went on to have two children, Naomi Cox Coyle and Ouida Cox Garner. Clarence and Loriece were married 72 years. After the children were born, Loriece graduated from Cotton Valley High School in 1958.

In addition to being a dedicated and loving mother, Loriece worked for Thiokol for 33 years. She served as a Town Alderman for the town of Cotton Valley for 8 years. She served the First Baptist Church as church secretary for 47 years, sang in the church choir, taught Sunday School, and worked in Vacation Bible School. Throughout her entire life, she held an unwavering faith in God, which she shared with those who surrounded her.

Loriece is preceded in death by her mother, father, brothers, and sister. She is survived by her husband-Clarence "Cat" Cox, her daughters-Naomi Coyle and Ouida Garner, two grandsons-Doug Coyle and his wife Sheli and Bryan Coyle and his wife Deena, five great grandchildren-Luke Coyle, Logan Coyle, Embeth Coyle, Landon Coyle, and Reagan Coyle.

The family would like to thank all the people who helped to make her journey to heaven easier.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that memorial donations be made to First Baptist Church, Cotton Valley, LA 71018.

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### CRIME

## Shreveport, LA Reported One of the Highest Murder Rates in the US

The U.S. murder rate is at its highest level in nearly two and half decades. There were 21,570 murders nationwide in 2020, up nearly 30% from the previous year -- the largest annual increase on record.

The rash of deadly violence came during a tumultuous year in American history. The COVID-19 pandemic led to school closures and left millions of Americans out of work. The murder of George Floyd by a Minneapolis police officer rattled confidence in American law enforcement and sparked nationwide protests. Firearm

sales soared, resulting in the proliferation of tens of millions of new guns. Here is a look at the states where gun sales are surging.

Some experts speculate that each of these factors likely played a role in the rising homicide rate. While it may be years before the precise causal factors are identified, the effects are being felt in communities across the country. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention lists homicide as a contributing factor in the historic 1.5-year decline in life expectancy in the U.S. last year -- trailing only COVID-19 and

accidental deaths, like drug overdoses, in significance.

Shreveport, Louisiana, is among the U.S. cities with the highest homicide rates. There were a total of 69 murders reported in the city in 2020, or 37.2 for every 100,000 people -- well above the national homicide rate of 6.5 murders per 100,000.

Even though homicide is the least common form of criminal violence -- accounting for less than 2% of all violent crimes -- places with high homicide rates also often have high overall violent crime rates, and Shreveport is no exception. There were

923 violent crimes reported for every 100,000 people in Shreveport in 2020, compared to 399 incidents per 100,000 nationwide.

All data used in this story is from the FBI's 2020 Uniform Crime Report. Only places with populations above 25,000 based on five-year estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau's 2019 American Community Survey were considered. Limited data was available in the 2020 UCR for areas in Alabama, Maryland, Pennsylvania, and Illinois, though these places were not excluded from analysis.

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OTHER OPINION

## Federal Appeals Court blocks OSHA overreach

As many legal scholars have believed from the beginning, Pres. Biden lacked both the constitutional and statutory authority to mandate vaccines for private workers, but he, nevertheless, ordered the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) to do so. In response, the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals recently ruled on this matter, handing down a sharp rebuke of the Biden Administration's attempt to do an end run around our legal process.

As you may recall, this past September Pres. Biden ordered OSHA to require private employers with 100 or more workers to require that their employees be vaccinated or tested weekly. The Biden Administration, in fact, agreed with MSNBC anchor, Stephanie Ruhle's tweet that "OSHA [is] doing this vaxx mandate as an emergency workplace safety rule" and acknowledging that this legal maneuver is the most effective "work around" (which often means it's not legal) for the "federal government to require vaccinations." Wow.

This Biden Administration action remains unsupported in virtually every way. The U.S. Constitution entrusts states with core "police powers" to address and regulate the behavior of their citizens in the interest of protecting public health and safety, among other things. Because of this, the federal government simply lacks the legal authority to take such actions.

Of course, attorneys for the Biden Administration are well aware of this limitation on federal power which is why the Biden team attempted to characterize—and get around—this limitation on its power by forcing

private employers to comply based upon an OSHA "emergency temporary standard." What "emergency temporary" power does OSHA have? This simply means that OSHA may ignore for 6 months the Notice and Comment process which is



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otherwise required by the Administrative Procedure Act. The notice and comment process is very important because it is when all parties have an opportunity to be heard—to express their objection to or support of—a proposed government action.

In fairness, we should note that the actual purpose of this OSHA bypass—when not being used to do an end run on state power—is to allow OSHA to respond to emergencies if the agency decides that "employees are exposed to grave danger or agents determined to be toxic or physically harmful or from new hazards." Here, OSHA argued that this unilateral action was necessary to "protect employees from such danger."

However, as the 5th Circuit panel explained, OSHA was unable to prove exposure or even that Covid had infected all of the private workplaces upon which it was trying to force this mandate. The Court called this assertion by the Biden Administration and OSHA a "transparent stretch." The Court identified other legal defects as well—like the fact that after 20 months the virus could hardly be described as a "new hazard"—but returned to the central premise that

this OSHA rule "likely exceeds the federal government's authority under the Commerce Clause because it regulates non-economic inactivity that falls squarely within the States' police power. A person's choice to remain unvaccinated and forgo regular testing is non-economic inactivity." (We should note that in No. 45 of The Federalist, James Madison neatly summarizes this dual allocation of power: "The powers delegated by the proposed Constitution to the federal government are few and defined. Those which are to remain in the State governments are numerous and indefinite.")

The Court's ruling is music to the ears of those of us who believe in the separation of powers and the rule of law, which includes the reining in of an out-of-control federal administrative state. What the Court is explicitly telling the federal government here is that it lacks the authority to take these actions and its purported legal justification was a pretense. May the Judicial Branch continue to powerfully assert its constitutional prerogative and function in the face of an aggressively overreaching executive branch of government that believes "it knows best" regarding our health.

Well, the federal government doesn't know best. Dr. Fauci, the CDC, and the federal government's guidance on how masks and vaccines should be employed to battle the spread of Covid has changed more often than the Louisiana weather. It's enough to give us whiplash.

Rather, we, as free citizens who possess autonomy and individual rights of self-determination, get to make these kinds of vaccination and other personal health

decisions and it is refreshing to see a court so firmly and clearly make that point in support of the right of medical autonomy and privacy.

This federal court decision has for now blocked the federal government's attempt to mandate by regulatory law the requirement that millions of Americans, without regard to individual health status, be jabbed in their bodies with a needle and injected with a vaccine that according to CDC can potentially cause Guillain Barren syndrome (GBS), thrombosis, myocarditis and in rare cases, death—adverse events that CDC cautions should be disclosed to providers, vaccine recipients, and the public. <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/70/wr/mm7032e4.htm>.

Perhaps the benefits of the vaccine still outweigh any possible adverse effects. My point is that the decision should be made by each individual and not by government mandate. That is why, in response to this Big Brother governmental overreach, we should all say in unison, "Keep your hands—and needles—to yourself, Big Government. My Body, My Choice." (I heard this phrase somewhere; oh yes, but apparently it only pertains to abortion.)

During the Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday season, all Americans should give thanks for the gift of this federal court decision. What we have here is a perfect example of the working of our system of checks and balances the Framers put in place and it's deeply encouraging to see it functioning as it should.

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EDITORIAL ROUNDUP

## Louisiana drivers, improved road conditions are on the way

Louisiana drivers don't need outside experts to tell them that driving conditions are far from ideal. So they're unlikely to be surprised that a new report documents just how far.

According to the Reason Foundation, the state ranks 49th for urban interstate conditions and 45th for the number of structurally deficient bridges. Previously released U.S. Department of Transportation data pegged

1,634 bridges and 3,411 miles of Louisiana roads as being in "poor" condition.

A lack of resources is the main culprit, the Reason Foundation said.

But things could soon be looking up. After resisting calls to raise gas taxes to pay for road improvements — our preferred solution but one that proved politically unpalatable — the Legislature this year voted to divert an annual \$300 million from

the state general fund to the cause.

Then there's the just-signed federal infrastructure bill that allots \$110 billion nationally for roads and bridges, some existing and some additional spending, and specifies \$40 billion in new money for bridges alone. The new state investment will help here because some projects require a local match.

Louisiana may not rise

much in the national rankings because every state's conditions will surely improve, but that's really beside the point. The important comparison is what we'll have then versus what we've got now.

For drivers who navigate our substandard roads each day, there's no place to go but up.

**THE [BATON ROUGE] ADVOCATE.**

OTHER OPINION

## Energy tax credits a giveaway to special interests

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Lawmakers on Capitol Hill have emphasized the environmental angle of their so-called "Build Back Better" Act. Many of these provisions, however, amount to little more than taxpayer-funded giveaways to renewable energy companies. No provision epitomizes this sad reality than the possible extension of the investment tax credit (ITC) and production tax credit (PTC) for wind and solar power. These subsidies cost the federal taxpayers with billions on top of an already over-bloated package. They also continue policies that have not been necessary for years — if they ever were.

The ITC was established by Congress in 1978. In the over four decades since, this policy has supported almost exclusively solar power projects. Likewise, the PTC, passed in 1992, has been a bolster for the wind power industry. Both

tax credits had an expiration date attached to them. However, as the late economist Milton Friedman often said, "There is nothing so permanent as a 'temporary' government program." The expiration deadlines for the ITC and PTC have been extended a whopping 24 times since initially set to expire.

In the time since, almost 40 states have adopted mandates to require a benchmark for renewable energy generation within their borders. These mandates, on top of the ITC and PTC create artificial demand for wind and solar power. Further proposals to decarbonize electric power will continue to add to this artificial demand and increase the costs to taxpayers across the nation.

Government officials at all levels have been rushing to prop up these industries for years. These policies have helped sufficiently insulate wind and solar from open competition and have prevented them from failing due to lack of organic de-

mand. If the wind and solar power industries are unable to stand after decades of such support, it is clear they are not as efficient or desirable as their proponents claim them to be. It is time the government unshackle the taxpayer from these technologies and let them succeed or fail on their own.

The cost to the taxpayers over this period has been enormous. Over the last four decades, renewable subsidies have cost Americans over \$100 billion. Shockingly, \$70 billion of that came in the last decade alone. Another extension of these policies does not paint a brighter picture for taxpayers. The Joint Committee on Taxation estimates another decade would cost another \$106 billion, with estimates ranging as high as \$260 billion. Wind and solar have bled hard-working Americans dry for long enough.

When the government picks winners and losers, it neglects to mention that there will be "losers" who face very real consequences. Amer-

ican manufacturers of raw materials will be damaged as wind and solar technologies create demand they cannot fill. China produces roughly 75% of the world's solar panels, whereas the U.S. accounts for just 1%. Artificially increasing demand will have massive job implications for those here at home.

Further, roughly half of the world's polysilicon — the primary material in solar panels — comes from the Xinjiang region of China. In that region, ethnic minorities are allegedly subject to torture and human rights abuses. There is, at present, no good way to verify whether or not these materials being imported are the product of slave labor. The potential geopolitical consequences of such a reality cannot be overlooked.

With rising prices due to runaway inflation lately, heating your home has become more expensive in America. This is why the fixation on these subsidies is particularly harmful for American families.

They will accelerate the phase-out of dependable energy sources like coal and nuclear power. They also prop up alternatives that are already more expensive. Creating a less reliable, more expensive power grid at a time like this is especially irresponsible. The distortions created by the continuation of these credits will continue to get worse, as will the potential consequences.

Given that American taxpayers have already footed the bill for trillions in record levels of spending over the last two years, no one deserves a break more than they do. The last thing the country needs is to use its hard-working families to prop up the bottom lines of special interest groups. They have been doing so for four decades. It is long past time to end this pattern. In deliberations on the social spending reconciliation package, these tax credits ought to be left out entirely.

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# LIFE

INSPIRATION

## If we aren't thankful what else is there?

If we aren't thankful for what we possess what else is there? What good does it do to have the best of everything if we are discontented?

Having being diagnosed with post traumatic stress disorder, along with my sister Alice, due to having grown up in an orphanage, perhaps we are a little more grateful than some of our peers.

Maybe it takes emotional storms, of having the rugs jerked out from under our feet, to truly understand the trauma of hurting. Having stood on the edge of homelessness as a child and an adult, God has always stepped out of the woodwork to help me!

The older I get the more grateful I am for all that I possess!

If we have friends and family, a roof over our head, enough to eat and some left over, clothes to wear to keep out the cold and a few pieces to bolster our self-esteem, we are blessed beyond measure!

It's not how much we possess but what possesses us! "Things can end up owning us" rather than being things that we own!

Years ago most of our ancestors had plenty to

eat as they prepared for the winter by preserving food and chopping firewood. The father made sure his family was fed and kept warm during the winter. Survival wasn't easy as some of our parents plowed behind mules just to keep us fed.

Older people often reminisce how they seemed to have more time to enjoy the family, often spending time on the front porch talking to neighbors rather than watching television.

Today it seems that we are too busy struggling just to stay ahead of the "Jones," to have lost the essence of happiness, the quality of life that is embellished in The Little House On The Prairie.

But how do we go back once we've crossed the picket line? How do we reset our values? How do we restore the family to its rightful place?

"Sometimes less is more."

The more we get ahead we are often more emotionally starved than our ancestors were in the days of long ago.

Here I am telling one of my stories, which rings home to me.



SARAH HUDSON-PIERCE

I sense that the family has gone down the tube with all of the modern devices and social media, not to mention the fast food places where even the teenagers grab their meals rather than sitting around the dinner table.

Someone told me "you can't schedule quality time. It has to just happen spontaneously."

I am curious about all of the reality shows that are on television today including Duck Dynasty, Nineteen Kids and Counting and The Alaskan Bush People.

I believe that our nation is hungering for a return to the olden days, to God and family. We innately believe that God is real and that this life is not forever. We are just "sojourners" on this earth.

With all of this said I continue to be so grateful for friends and family who have supported me, who have been placed in my life to protect me from disaster.

God has always pulled me through the tight places in my life. I know that 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.

For this I am thankful all year!

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SHOPPING

## Project Reclaim Donates Food to local UCAP



COURTESY PHOTO/PROJECT RECLAIM

During the season of giving thanks, the members of Project Reclaim worked to collect food for them to donate to Minden's local UCAP. (Top Pictuer) Angel and Sha'Myrcle Stewart after having collected the canned goods. (Bottom Picture) Project Reclaim's Laicesha Maxey, Sha'Myrcle Stewart, Angel Stewart, and Matthew Anderson delivering food donations to UCAP.

HOLIDAY LIFE

## Shippers prepare for another pandemic crush of Holiday gifts

(AP) — The last holiday season was far from the most wonderful time of the year for the U.S. Postal Service: Sick and quarantined workers, a flood of packages from shoppers loath to set foot in stores and a last-minute dump of packages from overwhelmed private shippers.

Postal workers who recall packages and letters piled up in distribution hubs are better prepared this time as they gear up for another pandemic crunch. But low product inventories, and port and supply chain disruptions are creating new uncertainty about getting gifts delivered.

Already, workers are seeing a surge in holiday packages that began several weeks ago.

"A lot of the workers are saying, 'Oh no. Here we go again,'" said Scott Adams, local president of the American Postal Workers Union in Portland.

The U.S. Postal Service and private shippers UPS and FedEx are bolstering their hiring — bringing in about 230,000 temporary workers — and taking other steps to ensure they don't become overwhelmed by packages.

Nearly 3.4 billion parcels are expected to crisscross the country this hol-

iday season, representing an estimated increase of about 400 million compared to last year, said Satish Jindel, from Pennsylvania-based ShipMatrix, which analyzes shipping package data.

When cards and letters are included, the U.S. Postal Service said it'll be delivering more than 12 billion items.

"The pandemic is still here. The supply chain is a challenge that's going to impact how people shop and how products move," said Mark Dimondstein, president of the American Postal Workers Union, which represents more than 200,000 postal workers.

Despite the precarious situation, the Postal Service, UPS and FedEx are in better shape to handle the peak volume, and several trends could work in their favor, Jindel said.

More people are shopping in stores compared to last year, and people have been placing online orders earlier because they're keenly aware of supply chain problems, Jindel said. Also, with workers returning to offices, there are fewer office supply shipments being made to homes, he said.

Most importantly, the shippers are adapting af-

ter their rough-and-tumble experience last year, he said.

U.S. Postmaster General Louis DeJoy, who faced withering criticism last year but reported on-time improvements and reduced operating losses this month, says the service is ready for the crunch.

"We are ready, so send us your packages and your mail," he said.

A year ago, more than a third of Postal Service first-class mail was late by the time Christmas arrived.

Tractor-trailers stuffed with mail were left idling outside some postal-sorting facilities. Packages and letters piled up in distribution hubs. Delays grew by days, and then weeks, in many instances.

Two things were painfully obvious. More workers and more space were needed — and both are being addressed.

To get a handle of the volume, the Postal Service is transitioning more than 30,000 non-career employees to the ranks of career employees by peak season, hiring 40,000 seasonal employees, and leasing extra space at more than 100 locations to ensure there's room for parcels.

The Postal Service in-

stalled more than 100 new package sorting machines as of early November, part of \$40 billion of planned investment over 10 years. Also, more than 50 package systems capable of sorting large packages are expected to be deployed before December. Combined, these expand capacity by an additional 4.5 million packages per day, officials said.

UPS, for its part, is hiring more than 100,000 seasonal employees across the country and continues to add aircraft and automation. It expects nearly 90% of its packages to flow through automated facilities by year's end.

FedEx, meanwhile, is in the process of boosting its nationwide workforce by 90,000 across its operating companies. Most of those new workers are expected to remain after the holidays, the company said.

Despite all those extra workers, the shippers agree that this is not the year for shoppers to procrastinate.

"Complete your holiday shopping as soon as possible," said Jim Mayer, spokesperson for UPS.

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## SPORTS

## Crimson Tide hoops teams fall to Gibbsland-Coleman

T. SCOTT BOATRIGHT  
Minden Press-Herald

The Minden High School boys basketball team now stands at 0-4

after losing a pair of basketball games over the holiday week.

Minden fell 69-46 to Gibbsland-Coleman last Tuesday as the

Bulldogs methodically dominated from start to finish, outscoring the Crimson Tide 15-6 in the final stanza to build the final 20-plus point

margin of victory.

Then on Saturday the Tide fell 64-43 at Lakeview.

Minden will next play host to Lakeside to-

night in the third home game of the season for the Crimson Tide.

North Webster's boys basketball team earned a win last Tuesday as

the Knights outlasted Ringgold 55-46.

The Lady Knights also won, defeating Ringgold 38-22 last Tuesday.

## G-Men get leg up over Southern



PHOTO BY TONY VALENTINO

Grambling State's Garrett Urban (right) kicked five fields, including the game-winner with two seconds remaining, to lift the G-Men to a 29-26 win over Southern Saturday in the 48th annual Bayou Class.

## Late field goal lifts Tigers over Jaguars, 29-26

T. SCOTT BOATRIGHT  
Minden Press-Herald

NEW ORLEANS — The Grambling State University football team had a kick during its final game of the season with interim head coach Terrence Graves Jr. guiding the Tigers on the sidelines.

Garrett Urban booted five field goals, none bigger than his last in the game's waning seconds, as the Tigers snapped a three-game losing streak to its rival on Saturday afternoon with a 29-26 victory over Southern in the 48th Annual Bayou Classic at the Caesars Superdome.

Urban, Grambling State's Most Valuable Player, notched the game-winning field goal with two seconds remaining as the Tigers (4-7 overall, 3-5 Southwestern Athletic Conference) capped a 3 minute, 48 second drive to close out the game.

The G-Men snapped a three-game road losing streak as well as a three-game losing streak to Southern.

"We came here to do more than just have a good time," Graves said. "We came here to win this game and I felt like we had an excellent game plan. We did a good job controlling the clock and were able to use our power with the ground game, which opened up some passing lanes. I felt Garrett Urban deserved being the MVP and really this was a total team effort."

Grambling fell behind 3-0 after a Luke Jackson 49-yard field goal with 11:17 left in the opening quarter before the Tigers answered on their second offensive possession and the very next drive, going 75 yards in nine plays as Elijah Walker scored on a one-yard touchdown run to give Grambling State a 7-3 advantage with 7:23 remaining in the opening quarter.

Southern (4-7, 3-5) countered by driving 80 yards in seven plays with Devon Benn breaking free

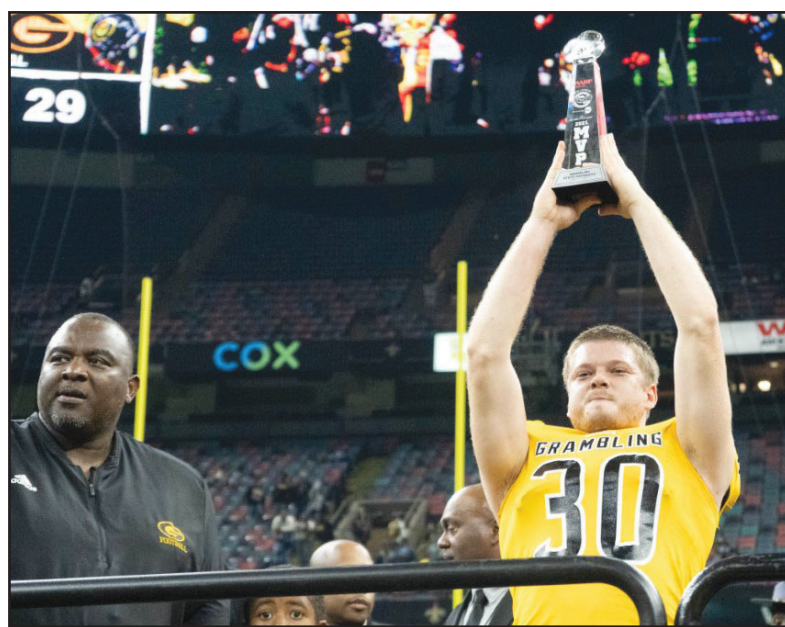


PHOTO BY TONY VALENTINO

Garrett Urban (right) hoists his Grambling State MVP Trophy after Saturday's game as GSU interim head coach Terrence Graves (right looks on).

on a 22-yard touchdown scoring scamper to give the Jaguars a 10-7 lead at the 3:54 mark of the opening stanza.

Grambling State quickly answered as Urban made good on field goals of 39 and 36 yards to put the Tigers on top 13-10 lead with 5:41 left in the first half.

Jackson's 45-yard field goal with 2:49 remaining in the second quarter tied the game at 13-13, but Grambling State finished the half strong with Urban nailing his third field goal, this time from 27 yards out, with five seconds left in the first half to send the Tigers into the break with a 16-13 advantage.

Urban's fourth field, a 27-yarder, pushed GSU's lead to 19-13 with 1:53 left in the third quarter.

But Southern regained the lead as Ethan Howard caught a 5-yard pass from Ladarius Skelton, Southern's MVP, to put the Jaguars up 20-19 with 9:56 left in the contest.

Then it was Grambling's turn to rebound as Greg White hauled in a 23-yard scoring strike from Walker to put the G-Men back on top 26-20 with 6:27 remaining.

But the pendulum swung back

in Southern's favor with 3:55 remaining as Skelton punched in a one-yard touchdown run.

But the extra-point kick attempt by Jackson was no good, leaving the game tied at 26-26.

On the ensuing drive, Grambling's CJ Russell got things going with a 19-yard run before a 13-yard reception by White pushed the ball into Southern territory.

After three consecutive timeout calls Urban sealed the game with his 25-yard field goal with two seconds left.

Grambling State finished with 21 first downs and 500 total yards of offense with Walker pacing the ground game with 168 yards on 19 carries and one score while Russell added 101 yards on 21 touches

Walker, one of three quarterbacks the G-Men used along with Aldon Clark and John-Paul Pierce, went nine-of-20 passing for 153 yards and one touchdown.

White caught a team-high and game-high four passes for 79 yards and one score

Joshua Reed, Devanir Martin and Xavier Lodge each recorded six tackles each to lead the Tigers.



PHOTO BY DARRELL JAMES

Skip Holtz served in his final game of Louisiana Tech's football team on Saturday as the Bulldogs lost their season finale at Rice. It was announced Friday that Holtz would not be continuing as head coach at Tech following the season finale.

## Bulldogs fall to Rice, 35-31

Minden Press-Herald Sports Service

HOUSTON, Texas — For the seventh time this season, a Louisiana Tech football game was decided by a single possession as the Bulldogs lost to Rice, 35-31, in its season finale on Saturday.

LA Tech (3-9, 2-6 C-USA) took an early 10-0 lead after a 20-yard field goal by redshirt freshman kicker/punter Jacob Barnes and a 44-yard touchdown reception from freshman quarterback JD Head to freshman wide receiver Tre Harris. Rice (4-8, 3-5 C-USA) scored a pair of touchdowns to take the 14-10 lead at the half.

It was the final game as head Bulldog for Tech coach Skip Holtz.

Tech Vice President for Intercollegiate Athletics Eric Wood announced on Friday that Holtz would be coaching his final game for the Bulldogs against Rice.

"It was a very chirpy game," Holtz said. "There was a lot of talking going on. It was a very physical game. Both teams played extremely hard. There wasn't a bowl. There wasn't a conference, so it's playing for pride at the end of the year and both teams competed really hard. Unfortunately, we made a couple too many mistakes tonight to be able to overcome them to win."

Holtz was the third-most winningest coach in

program history with 64 victories in his nine seasons. He led Tech to seven straight bowl games and earned his 150th career win as a FBS head coach in the 45-42 victory over Southeastern on Sept. 11.

Head connected with sophomore wide receiver Smoke Harris for a 4-yard touchdown in the third quarter for the 17-14 lead. After another touchdown by the Owls, Head rushed for a 22-yard touchdown and then found junior wide receiver Griffin Hebert for the 6-yard touchdown to lead 31-21 with 13:10 left in the fourth quarter.

Rice trimmed the lead to 31-28 with just over four minutes to play. After forcing a three-and-out, the Owls returned a punt for 48 yards to the Tech 18 yard line where they went onto convert a touchdown for the 35-31 lead. Tech drove down the field to the Rice 33-yard line, but the Owls would intercept the ball to seal the victory.

Harris led the Bulldogs with six receptions. The wide receiver led the team in receptions in all 12 games this season to become the first Tech player to have the most receptions in every game since Troy Edwards in 1998.

Barnes made his lone field goal of the day, a 20-yarder, and was a perfect 4-for-4 in PATs.

He is now a perfect 72-for-72 in PATs in his career.

## Jenkins' late TD propels LSU past No. 14 Texas A&amp;M, 27-24

BATON ROUGE (AP) — A string of clutch completions by Max Johnson in little more than a minute capped coach Ed Orgeron's roller-coaster tenure at LSU with a triumphant endoff before a jubilant Tiger Stadium crowd.

Johnson hit Jaray Jenkins with a 28-yard scoring pass down the right sideline with 20 seconds left, and LSU knocked off



No. 14 Texas A&M 27-24 on Saturday night to become bowl eligible.

"How about them Tigers baby?" said Orgeron, a Louisiana native who grew up an LSU fan and considered coaching the Tigers his dream job. "We just kept preaching to our

football team to keep on fighting, keep on fighting and something good is going to happen."

LSU (6-6, 3-5 SEC) had lost a 10-point lead in the fourth quarter and were on the brink of their first losing season since 1999 when Johnson, who'd been sacked six times in the second half, came alive on fourth-and-6 from the LSU 19 and less

than 1:30 left.

Johnson kept the Tigers alive with a decisive throw over the middle to tight end Jack Bech and then hit Jenkins for a 31-yard gain. An 11-yard pass to Malik Nabers put LSU on the 28, setting up the go-ahead score three plays later and setting off a wild celebration in Death Valley while Orgeron smiled from ear-to-ear on the sideline.

"That is why we all came here — to win games and to be put in these situations," Johnson said. "It was a pretty sweet feeling after the game."

LSU linebacker Damone Clark, a Butkus Award finalist, sealed the victory by sacking Aggies quarterback Zach Calzada twice.

"I'll never forget this game. I love this team," Clark said. "You couldn't

draw up a finish for this senior class any better. We stuck and fought together until the very end."

The victory gave LSU two straight wins to close the regular season, but Orgeron said he and LSU's administration "mutually agreed he would not coach a bowl game and that offensive line coach Brad Davis would take over as interim coach.

# FUN & GAMES

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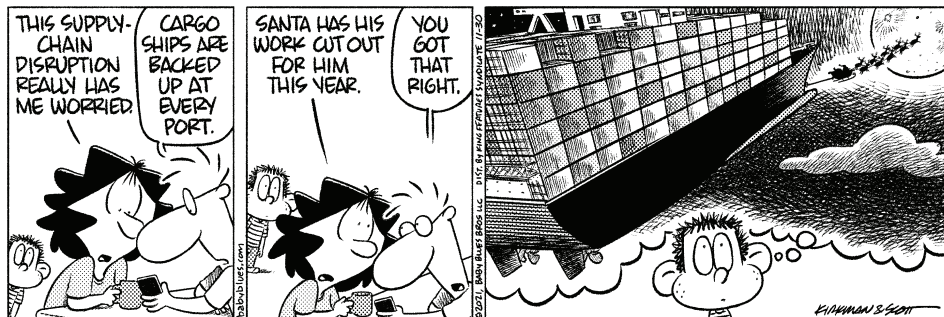
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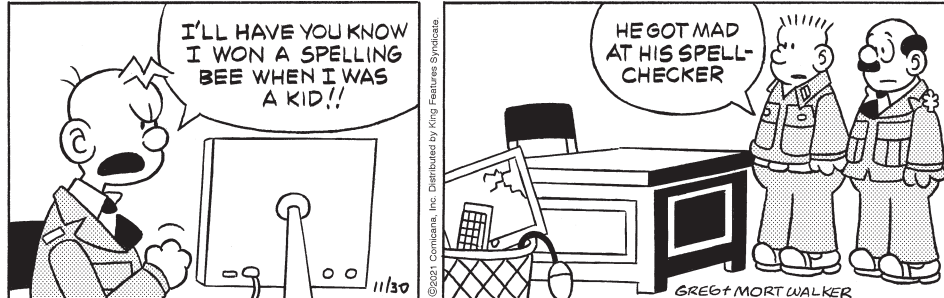
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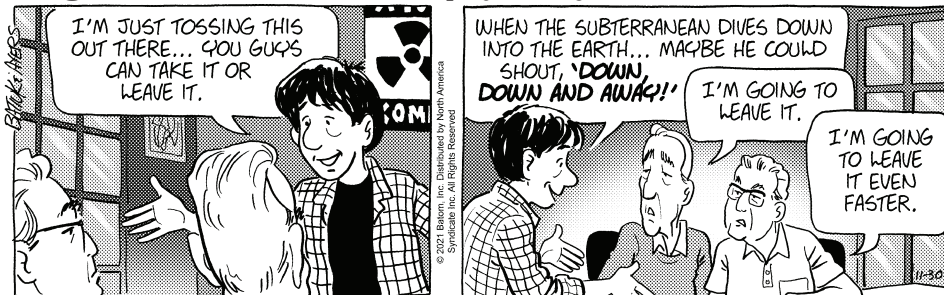
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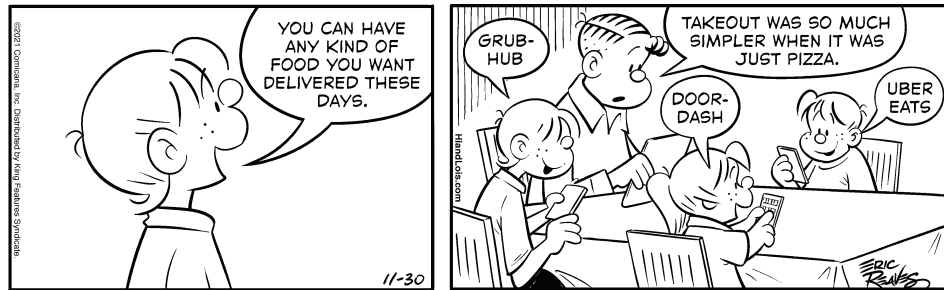
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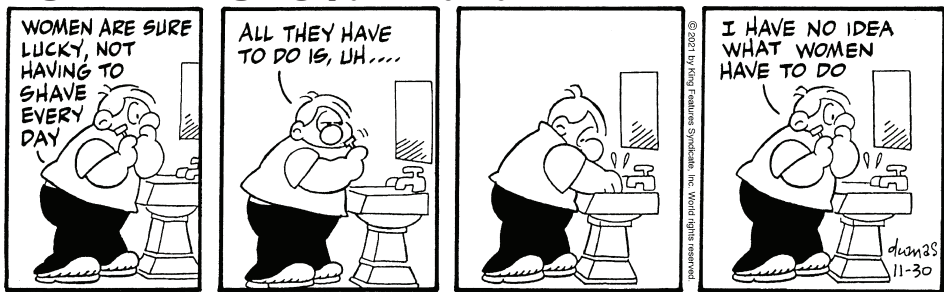
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### Final Notice and Public Explanation of a Proposed Activity in a 100-Year/500-year Floodplain or Wetland

To: All interested Agencies, Groups and Individuals

This is to give notice that Louisiana Office of Community Development (LA OCD) under Part 58 has conducted an evaluation as required by Executive Order 11988 and/or 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Wetlands Protection. The activity is funded under actions by which Statewide Federal Assistance for Homeowner Recovery Programs is proposed. The locations for proposed project activity encompass various residential properties in up to all 64 parishes of Louisiana. Grant recipients will be based on an application and eligibility process and thus the specific locations of these housing units are not known at this time. Criteria for selection will be further determined within the program policies and procedures based on availability of funds and number of applications. The LA OCD is proposing to implement programs to assist homeowners and rental unit owners and tenants that have been and continue to be affected by disasters. These programs are modeled after the Restore Louisiana Homeowner Assistance Program deployed in response to the Great Floods of 2016. These applicants and intended recipients of current or upcoming programs are homeowners and rental unit owners/tenants who are at various stages of rehabilitating residences in existing locations or relocating. Grants may provide for construction financing activities in addition to any previous federal loans or funds received in order to provide assistance to eligible homeowners to rebuild and re-occupy their homes and rental units or participate in buyout and relocation programs with the goals of rebuilding neighborhoods, reducing blight, mitigating against future storms and increasing overall resiliency. The types of construction-related activities will consist of either major or minor rehabilitation, reconstruction, elevation or demolition within the original footprint of each damaged structure or developed lot. Under the buyout option, properties with pre-existing structures may be retained as greenspace following demolition with homeowners relocated to more resilient areas. In some cases, new construction or elevation may be required with potential expansion beyond or outside of the footprint of the original structure and utilities.

LA OCD has determined that the proposed project activities could involve more than 100,000 properties and up to an estimated total of 21,250 acres with a substantial portion of these activities anticipated to be located within the 100-year floodplain. In accordance with Executive Order 11990, the total number of homes and combined acreage of these properties that are proximal to wetlands listed in the National Wetland Inventory will be reviewed on an individual basis after being identified. However, at this time, given the nature of the proposed activities and previous correspondence with state and federal agencies for similar projects, zero acres of wetlands impact are anticipated as a result of this project.

**Alternative 1** - In most cases, aside from the proposed buyout program actions, re-location of these activities to areas outside of the floodplain or wetlands would result in abandonment of existing homes that are in an unfinished state of repair as well as the purchase and development of land for the relocation of citizens. In order to be considered for relocation, any such land would need to be: a) outside the 100-year floodplain and wetlands, b) not currently developed for other land uses, and c) not designated for other uses (e.g., prime farmlands, parks, recreational areas). This alternative was rejected due to a number of factors including the following: a) this would not provide any significant benefit to the floodplain since the existing areas will remain developed regardless of any action taken, b) this would require displacement of homeowners that may be still living in the homes, c) the lack of existing infrastructure and services in areas outside the floodplain and the unfeasible costs to provide such amenities, and d) the resulting blight that would occur as current homes fall further into disrepair and abandonment. This alternative further does not meet the overall objectives of the proposed action in that it does not result in allowing residents to rebuild their lives, homes and communities.

**Alternative 2** - Alternative methods to serve the project objective are limited but could include multi-family housing at specified locations in the general vicinity of the affected communities. The multi-family housing could be located either at a few sites within the floodplain or at sites outside of the floodplain or a combination of both. Such an alternative would conceptually allow for similar populations but with a smaller footprint. However, this alternative was rejected due to many of the same disadvantages as Alternative 1 regarding no real benefit to the floodplain, resulting blight in the neighborhoods as the existing home sites fall further into disrepair, the displacement of the homeowners, and failure to meet the goals of the proposed action in helping to rebuild impacted communities to their prior state.

**Alternative 3** - The alternative to not approve any action, essentially a "No Action" alternative, would result in the properties remaining in disrepair. This alternative would not result in a reversion of floodplain back to its natural state. Additionally, no beneficial value would be anticipated since homes would be surrounded by other residences in most cases. If the homes are not rehabilitated, then the homes will deteriorate lowering property values and preventing homeowners from either returning to their homes or possibly causing those still living in the homes to eventually leave. The "No Action" would thus lead to eventual blight and hinder the ability of the impacted communities to rebuild and regain their identity that existed prior to the storms.

Based on this detailed review, it has been determined that there is no practical alternative to the proposed action being located potentially in a floodplain. This includes careful consideration and rejection of the alternatives above. The proposed actions of repairing/rehabilitating existing homes will meet objectives while not hindering the natural values of the

2. Alternative methods to serve the identical project objective; or
3. Not approving action to occupancy or modify the floodplain.

For each of these alternatives, various factors were considered including natural value, feasibility, technology, hazard reduction, related economic value and other environmental impacts. The evaluation of each alternative is summarized below.

LA OCD has re-evaluated the alternatives to building in the floodplain and has determined there is no practicable alternative. Environmental files that document compliance with steps 3 through 6 of Executive Order 11988, are available for public inspection, review and copying upon request at the times and location delineated in the last paragraph of this notice for receipt of comments.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplains and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about floodplains can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by Tina Cantrell of LA OCD at the following address on or before December 10, 2021: State of Louisiana, Office of Community Development Post Office Box 94095, Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9095 and (225) 342-1731, Attention: Ms. Tina Cantrell, Environmental Specialist. A full description of the project may also be reviewed from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm at 617 N. Third St. Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Comments may also be submitted via email at Tina.Cantrell@la.gov.

November 30, 2021  
Minden Press-Herald

Quick Draw Travel Plaza & Casino LLC, d/b/a Quick Draw Travel Plaza is applying to the Office of Alcohol & Tobacco Control of the State of Louisiana and the City of Minden for a permit to sell beverages of high and low alcohol content at retail in the Parish of Webster at the following address:

1703 Hwy 531  
Minden, LA 71055  
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### NOTICE OF PRIVATE SALE

26TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT STATE OF LOUISIANA PARISH OF WEBSTER NO. 17,264-A

SUCCESSION OF

JOE BARNETT BRYANT AND BONNIE YOUNGBLOOD BRYANT

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the administrator of this succession has petitioned this Court for authority to sell immovable property belonging to the succession at private sale in accordance with the provisions of Article 3281 of the Code of Civil Procedure for \$27,500.00 cash. The property proposed to be sold at private sale is described as follows: 221 Youngblood Road, Minden, Louisiana, and further described as follows:

A 65 feet by 420 feet tract described as follows, to-wit:

Begin at the Northwest corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (NE ¼ of SW ¼) of Section 31, Township 19 North, Range 8 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana, and run East 210 feet; thence run South 65 feet; thence run West 420 feet; thence run North 65 feet; thence run East 210 feet to the point of beginning, together with all improvements located thereon and all right thereto belonging and including the

mobile home situated thereon described as a 1987 Skyline Mobile Home bearing VIN 67530297W

Any heir or creditor who opposes the proposed sale must file an opposition within seven (7) days from the day on which the last publication of this notice appears.

Barry Bryant  
Administrator

November 9, 2021  
November 30, 2021  
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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
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
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%
41408 - Fines & Bonds	0.00	75,500.00	-75,500.00	0.0%
41408 - Franchise Tax LP&L & SW Nat	0.00	16,000.00	-16,000.00	0.0%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>132,358.00</b>	<b>-132,358.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
60050 - Ad Valorem Collection Fee	0.00	2,800.00	-2,800.00	0.0%
60000 - Advertising and Promotion	0.00	1,900.00	-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	3,950.00	-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%
68050 - Patrol Car Expense	0.00	5,000.00	-5,000.00	0.0%
68391 - Police Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	150.00	-150.00	0.0%
68200 - Coroner Expense	0.00	1,100.00	-1,100.00	0.0%
68275 - Police Office Expense	0.00	700.00	-700.00	0.0%
68300 - Police Salaries	0.00	50,000.00	-50,000.00	0.0%
68380 - Police Uniforms	0.00	110.00	-110.00	0.0%
68390 - Police Supplies	0.00	4,700.00	-4,700.00	0.0%
68510 - Printing & Reproductions	0.00	1,200.00	-1,200.00	0.0%
66650 - Prisoner Housing	0.00	620.00	-620.00	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%
68460 - Uniforms	0.00	1,300.00	-1,300.00	0.0%
68950 - Utility Salaries	0.00	28,000.00	-28,000.00	0.0%
68959 - Utilities	0.00	9,200.00	-9,200.00	0.0%
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>380,455.00</b>	<b>-380,455.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-248,097.00</b>	<b>248,097.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

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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
<b>Other Income/Expense</b>				
<b>Other Income</b>				
90000 - Other Income	0.00	6,500.00	-6,500.00	0.0%
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>6,500.00</b>	<b>-6,500.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Net Other Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>6,500.00</b>	<b>-6,500.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-241,597.00</b>	<b>241,597.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

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

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

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

	Jan - Dec 22	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
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%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>477,500.00</b>	<b>-477,500.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
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 & Maintenance	0.00	37,700.00	-37,700.00	0.0%
68200 - Trash Services	0.00	75,000.00	-75,000.00	0.0%
68800 - Utilities Expense	0.00	41,000.00	-41,000.00	0.0%
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>190,200.00</b>	<b>-190,200.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>287,300.00</b>	<b>-287,300.00</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Other Income/Expense</b>				
<b>Other Income</b>				
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%
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>194,090.91</b>	<b>-194,090.91</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Net Other Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>194,090.91</b>	<b>-194,090.91</b>	<b>0.0%</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>481,390.91</b>	<b>-481,390.91</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

November 19, 2021  
November 23, 2021  
November 30, 2021  
December 3, 2021  
December 10, 2021  
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# ADOPT... DON'T SHOP



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
<b>Total sources of funds</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,246,803</b>

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LAND FOR SALE

**200 ACRE TIMBER-LAND SALE.**  
 Claiborne Parish, LA. Multiple bid options. Excellent hunting & recreational property. Public access on Suggs Road. Sealed bid opening on December 14, 2021. For property information and a bid package, call (318) 548-0756 or text an email address.

RENTAL

**Mobile home for rent. 2 bedroom/1 abath. \$400/month. Call 377-7683**  
**EMPLOYMENT**  
**Presbyterian Village of Homer is hiring CNA's all shifts, LPN's all shifts, and weekend RN's. For more information, please call (318)927-6133 and ask for Joyce Pickens for CNA applications, and Alex Vansickle for LPN/ RN applications.**  
**VILLAGE OF DIXIE INN, LOUISIANA POLICE OFFICER - (FULL-TIME / PART-TIME)**

This is not a Civil Service position. This position helps protect and serve our village. Applicant must be P. O. S. T. Certified, minimum 1 year patrol experience, 21 years of age, computer, and office skills, have a valid LA. driver's license, and minimum high school or GED equivalent diploma. NO felony convictions. Other qualifications, information, and an application can be obtained at the Village of Dixie Inn City Hall, 60 Shell Street, Minden, LA., Mon. - Fri., 10am - 4pm. You must apply in person with the Mayor and Chief of Police. Call 318-382-5086 for an appointment. The Village of Dixie Inn is an equal opportunity employer.

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 118 B & R Drive, Sarepta, La. 71071  
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 Dental and 401K Benefits, NEW PAY SCALE !  
 Hourly plus Incentive Pay, Yearly Safety Bonus Pay, Monthly Safety/ Performance Pay.  
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HOMES FOR SALE

**HOME FOR SALE.**  
 Beautiful 4 bedroom/2 bath home at 1114 Drew Lane. Approx. 1,795 sq ft. Sits on 2 lots in a peaceful, shaded area. Needs updating. Priced to sell. Call (318) 680-5662 for more information.

Attorneys

Applying for Social Security Disability or Appealing a Denied Claim? Call Bill Gordon & Assoc., Social Security Disability Attorneys, 1-844-883-2045 FREE Consultations. Local Attorneys Nationwide [Mail: 2420 N St NW, Washington DC. Office: Broward Co.(TX/NM Bar)] (LA-SCAN)

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Attorneys

Attention: Auto Injury Victims. If you have suffered a serious injury in an auto accident, Call US! Our attorneys have the experience to get you the full compensation you deserve! Call Now: 1-877-920-9734 (LA-SCAN)

Attorneys

Recently diagnosed with LUNG CANCER and 60+ years old? Call now! You and your family may be entitled to a SIGNIFICANT CASH AWARD. Call 1-888-290-0193 today. Free Consultation. No Risk (LA-SCAN)

Attorneys

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Education

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Financial Services

SAVE YOUR HOME! Are you behind paying your MORTGAGE? Denied a Loan Modification? Threatened with FORECLOSURE? Call the Homeowner's Relief Line now for HELP! 1-866-470-1641 (LA-SCAN)

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Health and Wellness

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