

WEBSTER & MORE

REUNION

1972 Springhill Lumberjacks hold 50th Class Reunion

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Special to the Minden Press-Herald

DIXIE INN - At 11 a.m. Monday, May 23, 15 members of the 1972 Springhill Lumberjacks celebrated their 50th class reunion, along with two spouses and a friend, at Dorcheat Seafood and Grill in Dixie Inn on the actual day of graduation.

The classmates included Barry Barnard and his wife, Lane, of Shongaloo, Reggie Barker of Welcome, Ark., Dennis Beavers and Annie of Conway, Ark., Gary Pearson of Texas, Sammy Stanford of Springhill, Janet Sexton Baker of Cotton Valley, Kathy Foreman Tuminello of Benton, Patty Cox of Shreveport, Sherri Dyer Huggins of Bossier City, Freda Dunn Jones of Sarepta, Brenda Oswalt Kirkley and her husband, Randy, of Camden, Ark., Vickie Collier Beshea of Sarepta,

Debbie Brown Rader of Springhill, Dianne Dunn Rogers of Cullen and Cindy Kauffman Richardson of rural Sarepta. Everyone enjoyed a variety of fried fish filets, fried butterfly shrimp, crawfish etouffee, etc., with a full salad bar with their bean soup and hushpuppies. I don't believe anyone considered a dessert or an appetizer.

Before the meal, I stood and welcomed everyone and Debbie Rader followed with blessing our meal. A program was distributed with a list of our deceased classmates, which was read to the group. The names were written on labels and attached to the strings of our balloons to be released outside following our lunch.

The deceased names gathered, with a lot of help from others including our classmate, Debra Miles-McCauley, from Birmingham, Ala., included the following:

Calvin Clifton Bagwell, Darrell Baker, Kathy Baker Wesson, Susan Baker Tate, our Queen Guinevere in our Senior Play, "Camelot", Sharon Bandy Smith, Ruth Barham, James Barnes, Jr., James Beene, Roy Bonner, Karen Elaine Brantley, R.L. "Raleigh" Bridges, Ronnie Brown, Wanda Brown Maxey, Ricky Carroll, Johnny Conville, Jimmy Farrington, Billy Gibson, Jim Gore, Ricky Griggs, James Harris, Greg Haynes, Susan Holmes Hudgeons, Teddy Madden, Gloria Manning, Ruth McConnell, Ted Miller, Christen Moore-Decker, Gloria Jean Oliver, Gary Pickett, James Rader, Carolyn Rhymes Rivers, Johnny Robinson, Gaylon Wayne Sanders, Kilroy Scott, Jacy Shockley, Tommy Slack, our King Arthur in "Camelot", Allen Sterling, Donna Taylor Smith, and Gloria Washington. These next five



classmates did not graduate with us because they got married and did not return to school:

Jeanie Keene Miller, Kay Martin Roper, Debbie Ragus Fields, Rita Sewell Vaughan, and Karen Tripp Cottrell.

As everyone enjoyed their meal, our yearbooks were passed around to be signed again...50 years later! What fun

it was to sit and read these that evening in the quietness of our own homes!

Prizes were given for the one who traveled the farthest and the oldest: Dennis Beavers traveled farther and Barry Barnard is our oldest...if Billy Wayne Thurman had attended, he is our oldest classmate!

After we finished our meal, we exited the restaurant and

gathered outside. As I released the balloons, they began singing our Alma Mater! It was a beautiful sound as the balloons slowly faded out of sight...without hitting any powerlines. It was the most comforting way to end a wonderful gathering of classmates!

Randy Kirkley was burdened with about seven phones taking a group picture

or more with each phone! Bless his heart for undertaking this mission of kindness and patience.

At homecoming each year, the classmates from the previous years ending in that number walk across the field. This year, all "2s" are recognized and honored! So we hope to gather and see you all before 6 p.m. at homecoming in October!

INDUSTRY

Louisiana oil producers want Biden to tour their facilities before Saudi Arabian trip

(The Center Square) — The Louisiana Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association has signed onto a letter with dozens of other industry trade organizations to urge President Joe Biden to visit domestic energy facilities ahead of his scheduled trip to Saudi Arabia next month.

"Before you board Air Force One for the Middle East, we hope you will consider taking another look at made-in-America energy," the letter states. "We would be honored to show you how our industry is involved in every step of the energy process, from fuel pumps to critical product delivery infrastructure to production zones across our vast nation."

LMOGA is among 28 oil and gas association that urged Biden in a letter on Thursday to visit places like the Marcellus Shale in Pennsylvania,

the Gulf of Mexico, Texas' Permian Basin and other key American energy-producing sites, "which together launched the American energy revolution that ended decades of U.S. energy scarcity and growing dependence on foreign governments."

Biden is scheduled to travel to the Middle East in mid-July to discuss "ensuring global energy and food security" and other issues with various Arab leaders in Saudi Arabia.

The trip has drawn fierce criticism from Republican leaders in Congress who have relentlessly pointed to how the administration's domestic energy policies are making life difficult for middle-class Americans.

"Biden, you do not need to go to Saudi Arabia to find a way to produce more energy. It's right here in America!" U.S. Rep. Steve Scalise,

R-Louisiana, said in a recent press conference. "In fact, you can go less than 1,000 miles to Port Fourchon, Louisiana - in my district - the hub of drilling in the Gulf of Mexico, where Biden shut down production on American lands, shut down American energy."

Louisiana's Republican U.S. Rep. Garrett Graves has also pushed legislation to prohibit federal funds spent on presidential travel to OPEC countries if the government doesn't hold multiple oil and gas lease sales in the U.S.

The Biden administration has also drawn litigation from attorneys general of numerous states over canceled oil and gas lease sales on federal lands.

The letter to Biden from the oil and gas industry highlights how it has "created millions of good-

paying U.S. jobs, worked to shrink our environmental footprint, boosted economic growth, funded conservation in every U.S. county and transformed entire states — as the Marcellus did, turning Pennsylvania into a powerhouse of natural gas."

"U.S. energy reserves - produced to among the highest environmental standards in the world - are the answer in the global quest for reliable energy supplies," the letter reads. "American energy bolsters U.S. competitiveness and national security and brings economic opportunity to every corner of America."

"Your trip to Saudi Arabia next month is important on a number of ... fronts, including boosting global energy supply," the letter concluded. "Yet American-made energy solutions are beneath our feet and we urge you to

reconsider the immense potential of U.S. oil and natural gas resources — that are the envy of the world — to benefit American families, the U.S. economy and our national security."

The letter comes about a week after Biden penned a letter to U.S. oil producers demanding they take more action to remedy sky-high energy costs, alleging domestic producers and the war in Ukraine are to blame. The Biden administration has also sought to label the problem "Putin's price hike," in reference to the Russian leader's invasion of Ukraine.

"At a time of war — historically high refinery profit margins being passed directly onto American families are not acceptable," Biden wrote. "Companies must take immediate actions to increase the supply of

gasoline, diesel and other refined product."

The American Petroleum Institute, one of the groups that signed onto the letter to Biden on Thursday, countered Biden's demands with a letter to the president last week outlining 10 steps the Biden administration and Congress should take to tackle the energy crisis.

"While we appreciate the opportunity to open increased dialogue with the White House, the administration's misguided policy agenda shifting away from domestic oil and natural gas have compounded inflationary pressures and added headwinds to companies' daily efforts to meet growing energy needs while reducing emissions," Mike Sommers, American Petroleum Institute CEO, wrote to Biden last Wednesday.

BLOTTER

Recent arrests in Webster Parish					
	arrested on multiple warrants.	stance, possession of drug paraphernalia, and no tail lights.	Lacey Holleman, 30, of the 100 block of Crownover Road, was arrested for theft by shoplifting, and for failure to appear in court.	Road, was arrested on a warrant.	Scott Shockley, 42, of the 200 block of Rice Road, was arrested for second degree domestic abuse battery.
Jonathan Langley, 32, of the 100 block of Shreveport Road Street, was arrested for disturbing the peace through public intoxication and possession of a schedule II controlled dangerous substance.	Brian Simms, 53, of the 300 block of Ellis Drive, was arrested for domestic abuse battery and simple criminal damage to property.	Kaleb Mills, 24, of the 2300 block of Butler Street, was arrested on a warrant.		Bravion Shyne, 28, of the 500 block of Marion Street, was arrested for two counts driving under suspension, and failure to yield to emergency vehicles.	Juan Bush, 63, of the 7900 block of Highway 371, was arrested for domestic abuse battery.
Dollean Jefferson, 60, of the 600 block of McDow Street, was arrested for disturbing the peace through public intoxication.	Jeffery Harrison, 48, of the 300 block of N Middle Landing, was arrested on a warrant.	Tamara Wright, 24, of the 100 block of Webster Road, was arrested for failure to appear in court.	Hayden Atkins, 26, of the 1500 block of Highway 528, was arrested for theft by shoplifting.	Justin Cook, 27, of the 100 block of Ella Lane, was arrested on warrants for two counts of simple burglary with a firearm and three counts of simple burglary with a firearm.	Jacob Heckendorn, 26, of the 400 block of Smith Loop, was arrested for failure to appear in court.
Steven Nipper, 40, was	Mark Willis, 56, of the 200 block of Bryant Road, was arrested for possession of a schedule II controlled dangerous substance.	Billy Lane, 62, of the 700 block of Buck Street, was arrested for driving under suspension, driving without insurance, and switched tags.	Billy Lane, 62, of the 700 block of Park Highway, was arrested on a warrant.	Zacchary Maness, 31, of the 700 block of Park Highway, was arrested on a warrant.	
			Shain Hayes, 43, of the 100 block of Patchleg		

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OBITUARIES

Louis “Lou” LoConte

Graveside services for Louis “Lou” LoConte will be held Tuesday, June 28, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at Minden Cemetery in Minden, Louisiana under the direction of Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden, Louisiana. Officiating will be Rev. Paul Michanczyk.

Lou was born September 13, 1926, in Boston, Massachusetts and entered into rest June 22, 2022, in Austin, Texas. Lou served his country in the Unites States Air Force. He was a B-52 test pilot, an engineer and a busi-

nessman. He and his wife were owners of a floral shop in Minden.

He was preceded in death by his wife Charlie Crutsinger LoConte.

He is survived by his daughters, Amanda Michanczyk and husband Curt of Ruidoso, New Mexico and Paula Jane Frazier and husband Clay of Austin, Texas, six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Rose-Neath Funeral Home
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Linda Krouse

Graveside services for Linda Krouse will be officiated by Greg Lee at 10:00 on Tuesday, June 28, 2022 at Germantown Cemetery. Family will receive friends from 5:00 to 7:00 on Monday, June 27, 2022 at Rose Neath Funeral Home in Minden.

Linda Sue Krouse was born October 1, 1944 to Sue Aline Underwood. She grew up in Mount Vernon, Texas and loved her daddy, Bill Gill. She moved to Minden, Louisiana in the 1960s. She lived a hard life raising her children as well as caring for those around her. She loved sewing, cooking, and babies. She was a hardworking, simple living woman who earned a doctorate in country living.

Linda attended church at the Christian Church at Minden and her church family was very important to her. She loved the Lord and could often be found reading her Bible. Her favorite Bible verse was Matthew 22:39..“you should love your neighbor as yourself” She could often be heard saying how much better the world would be if people only followed this simple

commandment.

Linda loved the pictures of family that adorned her walls. She loved her family fiercely and they all brought her great pride and joy. She never thought the house had enough wall space for her pictures. In her last days she often commented on her pictures and they brought her great comfort. The walls of the mansion the Lord has prepared for her are almost certainly already full of pictures.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 44 years, Earl Ray Krouse, son David Earl Krouse, parents Bill and Sue Gill, brother-in-law Nicky Young, and niece Melanie Beak. She is survived by her daughter Delana Hammontree and her husband Willie, grandson Christopher Hammontree, great grandson Benton David Hammontree, and twin sisters Brenda Young and Sandra Griggs, brother-in law Johnny Griggs, numerous nieces and nephews, and special friend Dorothy Grant. The family wants to thank the caregivers at Regional Hospice, especially nurse Laura. In lieu of flowers, please consider supporting Linda's favorite organization, the Joe LeBlanc Food Pantry.

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GOVERNMENT

Louisiana lawmakers have until July 16 to decide to hold possible veto override session

(The Center Square) — The Louisiana Conservative Caucus is calling for a veto override session to “correct the governor’s unilateral actions.”

The caucus, which represents 42 members in the state House, is pushing for votes to override many of the nearly two dozen bills from the 2022 regular session that Gov. John Bel Edwards vetoed in recent weeks.

“The Legislature represents the will of the people in Louisiana,” said Rep. Rhonda Butler, R-Turkey Creek, a founding member of the conservative caucus. “Overriding the vetoes is not about politics; it’s about checks and balances and serving the people who elected us to be their voice in Baton Rouge.”

Several bills vetoed by Edwards gained broad support from both Democrats and Republicans during the regular session, including two bills to create education savings accounts backed by the Pelican Institute.

Edwards rejected both

Senate Bill 203, to create education savings accounts for students who are struggling to read in public schools that parents could have used to find better educational options, as well as House Bill 194, which would have done the same for students with disabilities.

The bills were among numerous ESA bills considered in the recent legislative session that would have allowed parents to use about \$5,500 in state funding to pursue private schools or to use for educational expenses like tutors, textbooks and other materials to learn from home.

Edwards opposed both bills because they “would potentially divert Minimum Foundation Program funds (state education funding) for students to attend non-public schools,” and alleged they would “allow the children of wealthy parents to attend private schools subsidized by taxpayer dollars,” according to his veto message.

Supporters of the bills

noted repeatedly in committee hearings that local and federal education funds would remain when ESA students leave, which would result in more per-pupil funding for those schools.

Edwards also alleged a lack of accountability to parents and the public, despite measures in the bills designed to monitor education providers and funding.

With HB 194, Edwards argued “the bill does not clearly provide for the students who may qualify for this program.

“I believe that the bill is simply too broad in its application to all students with exceptionalities,” he wrote. “Given this expansive definition, there will be too many students eligible for this program at too great a cost to the public school system.”

Other rejected bills include measures to require a supplemental annual canvas of voters, increase penalties for crimes against law enforcement, prevent discrimination based on vaccine status,

improve the system for challenging tax assessments, track persons convicted of manufacturing methamphetamine, and protect churches from unfair emergency declarations, among others.

Legislators have until July 16 to decide on a veto override session, with ballots going out to lawmakers on July 1, Louisiana Radio Network reports.

Rep. Jack McFarland, R-Winnfield, chairman of the conservative caucus, told the news site Republicans aren’t the only ones calling for a veto override session.

Constituents “are calling their legislators and saying I had interest in this bill, I came to the Capitol, I advocated for it,” he said. “If you go back and look at some of this legislation that was vetoed, it got Republican and Democrat support, these aren’t just bills that Republicans and Democrats supported individually.”

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OTHER OPINION

Student loan debt forgiveness won’t solve anything

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Special to the Minden Press-Herald

“We’ve had two quarters: 1.5% decline in GDP, that’s actually done the first quarter, and this quarter now is estimated by the Atlanta Fed as being very, very close to zero,” economist Art Laffer told Fox Business. “If it comes in negative, that will be the two quarters in a row – that would be the definition of recession.”

With the economy stagnating and inflation soaring, stagflation is here for the first time since the Great Inflation of the 1970s because of bad policies out of Washington. A recession is inevitable as the government-inflated “boom” busts – and we could already be in one. But pro-growth policies would help ease the pain.

The pandemic prompted irresponsible and record-breaking deficit spending by Congress, pumping in massive “stimulus” funds that raised the national debt by \$6 trillion to \$30 trillion, or about \$90,000 owed by every American.

And President Joe Biden has also been on a regulatory spree. His administration has finalized 360 rules through June 17 with a cost of about \$215 billion, according to the American Action Forum. Compared to the same time since its inauguration, the Trump ad-

ministration completed 367 rules at an economic cost of \$1.2 billion.

Those bad policies by Congress and the Biden administration have been a major reason why the economy is stagnating, with negative growth in the first quarter of 2022 and likely little to no growth in the second quarter. And the Fed purchasing that debt and printing too much money to chase too few goods resulted in a 40-year high in inflation.

This stagflation affects employers and workers.

Firms now can hold less inventory for the same amount they paid previously, which reduces their profitability and causes them to increase prices, cut costs, or reduce output to keep up with inflation. And consumers have less purchasing power.

Workers and employers must then reduce their spending and investment, respectively. With workers producing less, productivity declined at the fastest rate since 1947, contributing to why inflation-adjusted average hourly earnings are down substantially over the last year.

Another issue is that safety-net programs were increased without work requirements during and since the pandemic. Those programs included expanding Medicaid, increasing child tax credits, and enhancing

unemployment insurance payments. This has created even more dependency on government.

And these expansions of government contributed to soaring deficit-spending with a 25% increase in the national debt in just the past two years. These handouts also encouraged people not to work because they would lose more in payments than they would receive from working. There are now 5.5 million more unfilled jobs than unemployed workers.

In order to reduce the pain of the inevitable recession, Congress ought to adopt pro-growth policies, similar to those between 2017-2019. These policies included a concerted effort to reduce onerous regulations and to pass the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. They contributed to the U.S. records of the lowest poverty rate (across most demographics) and the highest inflation-adjusted median household income.

But excessive spending was an important factor that was missed then because Congress spent too much. If Congress just reined in spending to no more than population growth plus inflation, as outlined in the Foundation’s Responsible American Budget (RAB), the \$20 trillion increase in the national debt over the last 20 years would instead have been a nearly \$3 trillion surplus.

This would have meant more money in Americans’ pocket and more economic growth from lower interest rates and less debt for the Fed to purchase to create inflation. Which is why the Fed also needs a monetary rule, which would call for it to have a much smaller balance sheet to reduce the quantity of money and a much higher federal funds rate target.

Historically, the federal funds rate target must be as high or higher than the rate of inflation. With the latest inflation rate being 8.6% and the federal funds rate target being in a range of only 1.5%-1.75%, the rate target should be much higher. While this would likely result in a quick and deep recession, this is necessary given the government-inflated boom that must now bust.

Bad policies have driven this government failure that’s making the situation worse before it gets better. For the sake of Americans, let’s end them now, because more government isn’t the solution.

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OTHER OPINION

What storms teach us

Storms, like the ones that are sweeping our nation, remind us that we are not in control of our own situations or of the world at large.

Sometimes we get caught up in the feeling that we call the shots. It’s important for us to know that we are not in control of very much.

Whatever happens to another can happen to us. To think not is to be naive.

The only thing we are in control of, to any degree, is our attitude. We do have the power to choose our attitude, though it may take all of the raw courage, grit and tenacity to keep on keeping on and to maintain an optimistic spirit in the midst of an emotional storm.

Although tornadoes can strengthen us, I pray that I never have to go through that kind of devastation.

What happens to us -- happens to all of us, at some point, to some degree.

It’s how we accept and assimilate these events that make the difference.

Whenever my surroundings become too quiet, too peaceful, whenever there are no bumps in the road to knock me off my feet and to upset my equilibrium, I hold my breath, as it’s always quietest before the storm.

Because my life has been orchestrated by need, by constant change, by having the rugs jerked out from under my feet continually from my early childhood, when I lost my father at the age of 10 and later ended up in an orphanage to the present time, I’ve never had the luxury of feeling I was in control of my life.

I feel that there may be some people who do occasionally feel that we are



SARAH HUDSON-PIERCE

“masters of our own fate, captains of our own soul, to paraphrase a famous writer.

We are in control of little, only of our attitude, and even that is enhanced by our belief that God is in control.

Perhaps knowing this is why I’ve been spared the trauma of being in a fire of seeing my possessions blown away.

Or perhaps my tornado may be just around the corner. I know I’m not in control of our circumstances.

This attitude may be why I obsessively make up my thank you list out each night before going to sleep. Perhaps this is my effort to hedge in my blessings as I know the trauma of losing the dearest to my heart, of leaving own home, when I went in an orphanage as a young child.

Pain shapes our attitudes. The only control we have is how we accept adversity.

For me, my strength has come from looking for the best in all situations, of al-

lowing the pain to fuel my drive, to steer me to my present goals because I’ve learned the deeper one goes the higher one flies!

I have also learned not to accept no for an answer. I’m setting my own goals, not asking permission. I’ve been committed to an alchemy of doing whatever it takes to will my dreams into a reality.

Perhaps it took been pushed into a corner the jumping-off place, to the very edge of our existence to developed this attitude.

At this age I’m grateful, because I see each hard-knock as a stepping stone to my success, knowing I’m one step closer to my goal.

However I know where my breaking point is.

Had I not put God in my life I can only imagine where I would be today.

Without Him I can do nothing!

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EDITORIAL ROUNDUP

The Advocate: It’s back to the future for free-spending legislators

The secret of happiness has been found at the State Capitol.

Spend an extra \$3 billion. “Quite frankly I am very happy with the way the session turned out,” Gov. John Bel Edwards said.

Senate President Page Cortez, of Lafayette, added his rumination on good-government spending.

“We paid down debts that we owed,” Cortez told this newspaper in an interview. “We paid almost every federal cost share that we owed. We paid off every judgment. The (Wall Street) rating agencies have given us an increased rating because of that.

“We put money against the UAL (unfunded accrued liability of pension systems). We put money into deferred maintenance for colleges

and universities as well as state buildings, the ‘rainy day’ fund.

“We’ve checked about every box you could check from a good government financing perspective.”

Ah, three or four billion more dollars, and government is good, real good.

Other members of the Legislature weighed in with this chorus of approval. Even those who are most loudly proclaimed, by themselves, as fiscal conservatives seemed content to point out that they have brought home the bacon for the good folks back home.

From the Superdome to the Cajundome, from Interstate 10 in Baton Rouge to Interstate 49 in Lafayette, from New Orleans’ Sewerage & Water Board to the west bank’s soccer fields and the

Comite River Diversion Canal in north Baton Rouge — everybody who was anybody got a cut.

Far be it from us to rain on the spending parade, whether it is good politics or bad.

We supported many of the things that Cortez listed as positive, and overall we are pleased that one-time money was largely spent on projects, including politically popular roads and bridges, instead of expanded operating costs.

But let’s not forget — or forgive — the loads of bad-government spending that went into the budget that made Edwards and others “very happy.”

We see the internal politics of the budget in the Legislature as not that much different from the bad ol’ days, with millions spent on pork-

barrel projects.

By one count, at least \$100 million was given over to old-fashioned pork-barrel local projects — and because there were several appropriating bills, and a gusher of federal funds to be parceled out in the state budget, that total may be very conservative when all is accounted for.

Much of it is abetted by key players like Senate Finance Committee chairman Bodi White of suburban Baton Rouge, who put in \$1 million for the breakaway “city of St. George” in the capital city. That’s been blocked in court. But what does that matter when you have the power to use the state’s money to write a check, without there even being a bank account in which to deposit it?

Politics of the old days, in

the “good government” Republican Legislature.

“I completely understand why they have these pork projects,” said Steven Procopio, president of the Public Affairs Research Council of Louisiana. “You’re delivering something that’s good for your community. But it’s about using political influence to get as much for your constituents as possible. They could put money into the early childhood education trust fund or paying down retirement debt. All of this would make budgeting easier in the future.”

In other words, political short-term thinking remains a way of life in the State Capitol. Good government with an asterisk, or is that a series of dollar signs next to Legislature 2022?

SPORTS



Pictured is the Minden 11U All-Stars baseball team, won their district tourney last week and will be headed to play in the USSAA state tournament in Monroe from July 8-10. That tournament will consist of an eight-team, double-elimination bracket.

Taking a swing at state

Minden 11U All-Stars to vie for La. title on July 8-10 in Monroe

T. SCOTT BOATRIGHT
Minden Press-Herald

The Minden 11U All-Stars are moving on after defeating Blanchard for the district title last week.

Next up for the team is a berth in the state tournament to be played on July 8-10 in Monroe.

Minden went 10-2 on the season, defeating the Blanchard All-Stars 9-3 and 12-0 on Thursday to capture the district title.

A majority of the team went to a state tourney playing 8U baseball when they finished third.

“We lost that 8U state tourney game to the team that won state,” said Marcus Gibson, one of the team’s coaches. “This is our first time back in the Dixie tourney since 8U.”

A hard-hitting and high scoring team, Minden has outscored



The Minden All-Stars 11U baseball team is pictured after defeating Blanchard in the district title game to earn a berth in the state tournament. From left to the right on the bottom row: Cason Gibson, Kaiden Kinsey, Davis Powell, Jaxon Branch, Craten Ware, Sawyer Harris. From left to right on the middle row are Weston Duck, Ryder Malone, Andrew Locke, Brayden Watkins, Holden Williams, Noah Smith. And from left to right on the top row are Coaches Steven Williams, Marcus Gibson and Greg Powell.

its opponents 108-36 so far.

“The core of these guys have been playing together since they were on the 11U All-Star team, so this is their fourth season playing together,” Gibson said. “They’ve worked hard and know each other well. A lot of them go to school together at Glenbrook.

“Because they’ve been together so long, they know how to

feed off of each other and talk each other up and get everybody focused. They’re best friends and look forward to baseball season so they can see each other more. They’re like family.”

Dunkin’ Dogs, Techsters, GSU represented on all-state hoops squads

Minden Press-Herald Sports Service

RUSTON — Louisiana Tech and Grambling State earned solid respect with players earning spots on All-Louisiana college basketball teams as selected by the Louisiana Sports Writers Association.

Louisiana Tech has a pair of players named as first-team selections — Kenneth Lofton Jr. for the Bulldogs and Keijuana Walker for the Lady Techsters while Anna Larr Robinson earned second team accolades on the women’s team.

Grambling’s Alexis Holt also earned second-team honors on the women’s All-Louisiana Tech.

LSU’s Kim Mulkey was named the state women’s Coach of the Year while Stacy Hollowell was named the men’s Coach of the Year.

Lofton finished his sophomore season averaging 16.5 points per game (fifth most in Conference USA), having recorded 28 double-digit scoring games as well as 10 20-point performances while shooting 53.9 percent from the field (second best in Conference USA).

His top scoring games came in the non-conference when he tallied a career-high 36 points at NC State and



Louisiana Tech’s Kenneth Lofton (left), averaged 16.5 points per game and recorded 28 double-digit scoring games last season while Keijuana Walker (2 right) led the Techsters in scoring this past season with 18.9 points per game last season while Anna Larr Robinson added 15.2 points and 8.5 rebounds per game while posting nine double-doubles.



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then followed that up two games later with 31 points in a victory at Santa Clara. Both efforts earned him C-USA Player of the Week honors.

He also averaged a league-best 10.5 rebounds per game, which ranks 10th in the country. He ended up totaling 17 double-doubles, eighth most in the country and the most by a Bulldog since Paul Millsap (2005-06).

Lofton, who ranked 20th in the country in player efficiency, amassed 347 rebounds on the season, the 10th most in program history. He also finished with the second-most assists (91) and steals (38) on the team while also anchoring the squad with 24 blocks.

Other accolades earned by the Port Ar-

thur, Texas native this season include Louisiana Major College Player of the Year, First Team All-Conference USA, NABC First Team All-District 11, C-USA All-Tournament Team and Naismith Trophy Midseason Team.

He was a Second Team All-Louisiana selection as a freshman.

Walker, an All-Conference USA first-team selection from Lonoke, Arkansas, led the Techsters in scoring this past season with 18.9 ppg on 42.8 percent shooting while scoring in double figures in 32 of her 33 games. She scored 20 or more points in 14 outings, including a career-high 32-point effort at Texas El Paso.

She enjoyed a milestone season for the Techsters this year surpassing career marks of

1,000 points, 100 steals, 100 assists, 100 charges taken, and 100 games played.

On Jan. 9 against Southern Miss, she became the 43rd member of the 1,000-point club and currently sits at No. 27 on the all-time Techsters scoring list with 1,403 career points passing the likes of Hall-of-Famer Teresa Weatherspoon.

Walker also registered the fourth triple-double in program history, joining Tasha Williams, Shantel Hardison, and Angela with a 27-point, 15-rebound, 10-assist outing against Rice in a double-overtime thriller. It was the first 25-15-10 stat line in Techsters’ history.

She was named the LSWA Player of the Week four times this season, the conference

USA Player of the Week on Feb. 28, and was named to the 2022 Conference USA All-Tournament Team.

Roberson finished the season averaging 15.2 ppg and 8.5 rpg while posting nine double-doubles. Her points per game ranked third in the conference, while her rebounds and double-doubles ranked second.

She shot 52.0 percent from the floor, good for No. 3 in C-USA and was second in the league in free-throw percentage at 83.8 percent.

The Cedar Creek (Ruston) product scored in double figures in 28 of her 32 games this season, including her historical career-high performance of 44 points in the double-overtime win against Rice on 20-28 shooting.

Her 44-point night is the fifth-highest single-game scoring output in program history, while her 20 made field goals tied a program record set in 1975 by Belinda Jones.

Roberson was also named Conference USA and LSWA Player of the Week Monday, Mar. 7, after averaging 25 points and seven rebounds in two wins over ODU and UAB. She also picked up a Conference USA All-Tournament selection back in March.

Holt played in all 30 games for GSU. She averaged 36.6 minutes, while contributing 17.0 points, 5.3 rebounds, 3.5 assists and 2.0 steals per game. In addition, she connected on nearly 41 percent of her shots from the floor and 74.2 percent from the foul line.

Louisiana Tech football gets preseason notice

Minden Press-Herald Sports Service

RUSTON — Louisiana Tech football picked up more preseason honors for the 2022 season with ten selections from nine players named to the *Phil Steele* Preseason All-Conference USA teams.

The Bulldogs picked up four second-team selections in linebacker Tyler Grubbs, safety BeeJay Williamson, and Smoke Harris who was picked at wide receiver and punt returner. Offensive lineman Joshua Mote and Dakota White along with cornerback Myles Brooks and kicker Jacob Barnes were named to the third team, while cornerback Cedric Woods and kick returner Solomon Lewis were named to the fourth team.

Grubbs, a two-time All-Conference USA and All-Louisiana selection has started all 22 of his games as a Bulldog and led the team in total tackles (99 and 97) in each of his first two seasons.

Williamson earned All-Conference USA honorable mention honors for his play last season while appearing in all 12 games during the 2021 campaign, including 11 starts at safety. He finished third on the team in total tackles (52), including 2.5 tackles for loss, and a team-best three interceptions and two forced fumbles.

Harris, another All-Conference USA selection and All-Louisiana selection last season made nine starts at wide receiver while appearing in all 12 games as Tech’s most explosive threat on offense and special teams finishing second in all-purpose yards (955) during 2021.

Mote, an Oak Grove, product, has started his last 22 games at left guard for the Bulldogs including all 12 contests during 2021 earning him All-Conference USA honorable mention honors for the second straight season.

White, alongside Mote, helped the Bulldog’s offensive front at right tackle appearing in all 12 games during the 2021 season including four starts, and has been a regular contributor at the tackle position appearing in 20 games in his first two seasons with the Bulldogs.

Brooks, a newcomer to the Bulldog defense, transfers in from Stephen F. Austin where he registered 65 total tackles, including 28 solo, during his 31 career games for SFA.

Barnes, a 2020 Lou Groza semifinalist and 2022 Athlon preseason honoree, is a perfect 72-72 in career PATs including a 39-39 2021 campaign while also connecting on 80.9 percent of his field goals with a long of 47 yards last season.

Woods has started all 22 of his games with the Bulldogs in his first two seasons at cornerback, including 10 as a true freshman during the 2020 campaign earning a spot on Conference-USA’s All-Freshman Team.

Lewis racked up 251 yards on 10 kick returns, including a 126-yard effort on four returns at Old Dominion with a season-long 61-yard return.

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ACROSS

1 Detail

5 "Traffic" org.

8 "Hey, you!"

12 Dealer's foe

13 Personal

14 Mad king of theater

15 Plane engine

17 Lighten

18 Historic period

19 Bowling rounds

21 Deep sleeps

24 Banquet platform

25 Actor Julia

26 "Fathers and Sons" novelist

30 Sashimi fish

31 Espresso foam

32 Actress Longoria

33 Commotions

35 Go yachting

36 Priestly vestments

37 Delicious fruit?

38 "Ed Wood" star

41 Have a cold

42 "Meta-morphoses" poet

43 Curry powder spice

48 Couturier Chanel

49 PC key

50 Continental currency

51 Recognized

52 "May-day!"

53 Tree house

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1 Bank-book abbr.

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4 TV role for

5 "Vegas" singer — Cat

6 Lamb's mama

7 Colonies with tunnels

8 Make happy

9 Fashion line?

10 Postpaid enc.

11 "— chic!"

16 Hosp. areas

20 Latvia's capital

21 Suffix with "techno"

22 Waikiki's island

23 Naturalist John

24 Sword fights

26 Homages

27 Tide type

28 Satan's forte

29 Dell

31 Soda flavor

34 Rachel of MSNBC

35 Ill will

37 Goal

38 Canal feature

39 Bard's river

40 French city

41 Curved lines

44 Mil. morale booster

45 Wish undone

46 Tax-collecting org.

47 Camp bed

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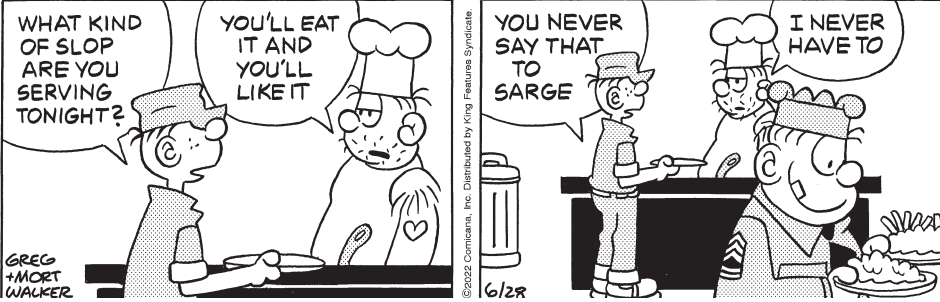
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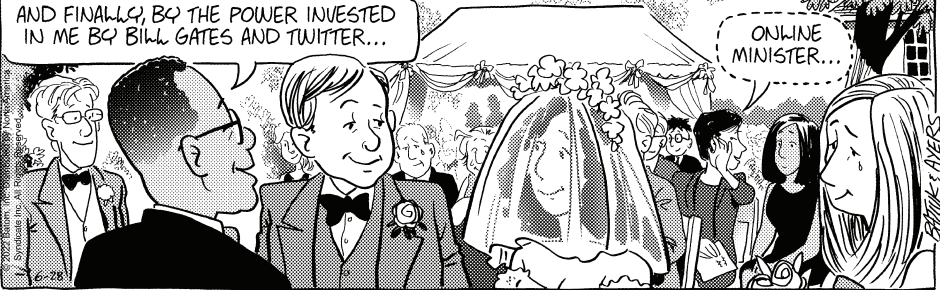
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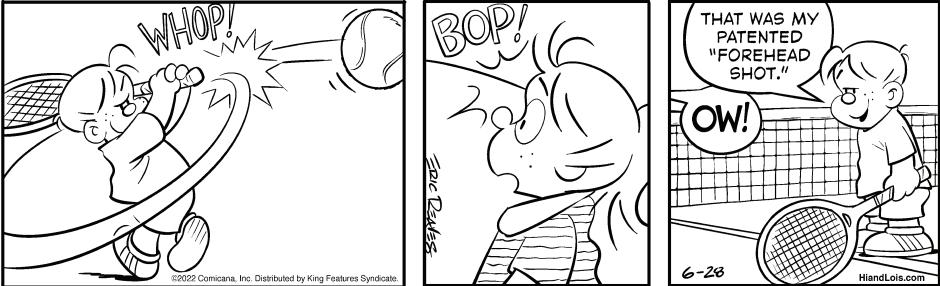
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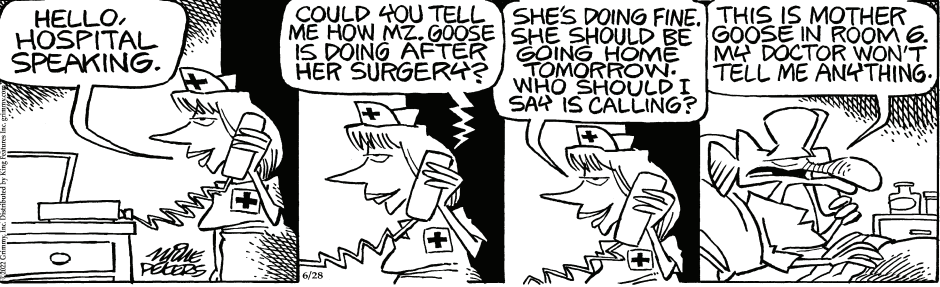
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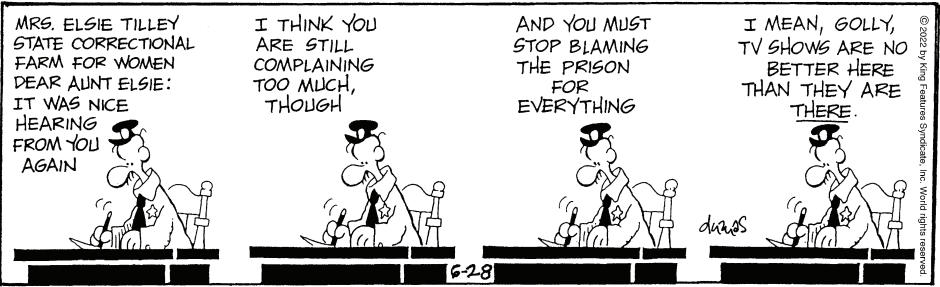
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/t/ Johnny Rowland,
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**June 28, 2022
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Entergy Louisiana, LLC ("ELL") an electric public utility providing retail electric service to customers in fifty-eight Parishes of the State of Louisiana, filed with the Louisiana Public Service Commission ("LPSC" or the "Commission") in LPSC Docket No. U-36350, First and Second Supplemental Applications requesting a Financing Order, a new Rider Financed Storm Cost V ("FSC V") rider schedule, and a new Rider Storm Cost Offset V ("SCO V") rider schedule, to implement various rate changes for recovery in rates of costs related to Hurricane Ida and Hurricanes Laura, Delta, and Zeta and Winter Storm Uri pursuant to Act No. 55 of the Louisiana Regular Session of 2007 ("Act 55"), as supplemented by Act No. 293 of the Louisiana Legislature's Regular Session of 2021 (together the "Restoration Law").

In order to pursue financing authorized by the Restoration Law, ELL and the Louisiana Utilities Restoration Corporation ("LURC" or "Corporation") have requested that the Commission approve and authorize the Corporation to finance, through the issuance of system restoration bonds, ELL's system restoration costs associated with Hurricane Ida and Hurricanes Laura, Delta, and Zeta, and Winter Storm Uri and related relief under the Restoration Law. The Corporation and ELL have requested Commission authorization for the issuance of system restoration bonds in one or more series in an aggregate principal amount equal to the sum of \$1.658 billion of net system restoration costs, which includes carrying costs and un-amortized debt costs on interim financing, and issuance costs.

To finance these costs, ELL proposes to implement Rider FSC V Rates, on behalf of LURC, effective by billing on the first day of the first billing cycle of the first revenue month following the issuance date of the system restoration bonds. Assuming system restoration bond issuance on December 19, 2022, Rider FSC V Rates will be implemented with the first billing cycle of January 2023. The Rider FSC V Rates, as periodically adjusted, will continue in effect until all system restoration bonds shall have been paid in full and all financing costs of the system restoration bonds shall have been recovered in full. ELL requests Commission determination that the calculation of the Rider FSC V Rates will apply to all rate classes, including any Special Contracted Rate customers and will be non-bypassable, which means that, with limited exception, all existing and future LPSC-jurisdictional ELL customers will be responsible for these charges.

Other adjustments required to compensate for certain costs or benefits relating to elements other than those relating to the financing transaction, including accumulated deferred income taxes and other savings pursuant to Restoration Law Financing, are proposed to be reflected in the Rider SCO V.

If the Commission were to issue a financing order for the full amount requested by ELL and were it to adopt the rate design reflected in

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