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PSA

Boil Advisory for City of Minden

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Minden Press-Herald

A boil advisory has been issued for the entire City of Minden's water system starting on September 28, 2022. Residents are urged to disinfect their water before using it.

To disinfect water, bring water to a rolling boil in a clean pot and then boil it for at least one full minute. Allow to cool.

They advise disinfecting water before

consuming it (including fountain drinks, ice, etc.), before using it to brush your teeth, or before using it in food preparation.

The advisory was issued due to a control issue that created a low water-pressure event. The control issue has since been resolved. The advisory will be in effect until the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals has determined that a collected sample of water is safe.

CRIME

Minden man arrested with meth, crack, and ecstasy

STAFF REPORT
Minden Press-Herald

A Minden man was arrested last week on multiple drug charges after police stopped him for speeding and running a stop sign.

Lish Antonio Island, 51, was observed driving 45 mph in a 25 mph zone and then rolling through a stop sign as he turned onto Bayou Avenue. When the officer approached and requested Island's driver's license, the officer observed a beer can and cooler in the vehicle. Island was unable to provide a driver's license.

"I observed a beer can on the floorboard in the backseat along with a cooler in the backseat," the officer stated in the arrest report. "I asked Island if he had been drinking, to which he stated he had three or four beers."

The officer performed the standardized field sobriety test on Island, and he failed all three categories of testing.

"While searching Island's person for any weapons or contraband," the report continued, "I located a round blue pill in his front left pocket of his shorts, later identified as Viagra." While searching the vehicle, officers found more drugs.

"[An officer] located an orange prescription pill bottle in the center

console. Inside the bottle were several small clear bags containing different substances. One bag contained a clear crystal-like substance suspected to be methamphetamine, another bag contained a square white cube suspected to be crack cocaine, and another bag contained numerous different colored pills suspected to be ecstasy. Also inside the container were two loose pills suspected to be ecstasy. All items located inside the prescription pill bottle were field tested and tested positive for methamphetamine, crack cocaine, and ecstasy. All amounts of the narcotics were in amounts suspected to be packaged for individual sales."

In the end, police confiscated 3.3 grams of methamphetamine, 1 gram of crack cocaine, 33.5 ecstasy pills, and 1 Viagra pill.

Island was arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated, driving over the speed limit, running a stop sign, driving while under suspension, possession of schedule I (ecstasy) with intent to distribute, possession of schedule II (meth) with intent to distribute, possession of schedule II (crack cocaine) with intent to distribute, and possession of a legend drug (Viagra).

COMMUNITY

Webster Parish Fair starts next week

AMBER MCDOWN
Minden Press-Herald

Fall has arrived and the Webster Parish Fair will be kicking off next week. The fair will run from October 4 through October 8, 2022.

The fair will open with a parade on Tuesday, October 4 at 5 p.m. (If

you would like to join the parade, the deadline to register is Friday, September 30. Contact Sherrie McMurray at (318) 294-6346 for details.) The gates to the fairground will also open after the parade with discounted gate fees and rides fees — \$1

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COMMUNITY

Coffee with the Candidates



AMBER MCDOWN/PRESS-HERALD PHOTOS

On Wednesday morning, some of our local candidates met at the Webster Parish Council on Aging to attend the Coffee with the Candidates meet and greet. Over coffee and donuts, voters were able to mingle with the candidates, asking questions and getting to know some of the people who may be representing them after the upcoming elections. Election season is in full swing, and many organizations are hosting events to give voters an opportunity to meet their potential representatives so, if you missed the previous ones, you will still have a chance to attend others.

TAX ASSESSOR

Annual Report from Assessor's Office to go out to Parish Citizens

WILL PHILLIPS
Minden Press-Herald

The Webster Parish Tax Assessor's Office is proud to announce that the second Annual Report from their office will be mailed out to taxpayers in the parish over the next few weeks. The report will provide plenty of helpful information citizens can look over to become more informed on topics such as Tax Roll Overview, Tax Dollars at Work, Special Assessment Levels, Approaches to Values, and the Millage Rate Process and how it works.

Webster Parish Tax Assessor Denise Edwards stated that this year's report will focus on ways taxpayers can stay involved and be informed when their local tax districts are setting their millage throughout the year. "I'm delighted to keep the citizens of Webster Parish informed on the current operation of

my office and keep the tax base knowledgeable on the kind of figures generated through property taxes that keep our local government working for the people," said Edwards.

Not only excited to send out the Annual Report, Edwards was also happy to share the news that her office has once again elected to lower the Assessment District millage rate for the second year in a row. Within her first two years as assessor, she has kept the millage lowered and saved the taxpayers of Webster Parish approximately one million dollars in property taxes. She believes that if her office can run effectively at a lower rate then she has a fiscal responsibility to do so.

So where was taxpayer money saved? Edwards stated that it is all in how a governing entity handles their millage and if they adjust forward or opt not to. She acknowledged that

it is important for taxing districts to levy the maximum millage if needed so they have the monies necessary to effectively maintain operations. If a taxing district opts not to adjust their millage forward and receive the max millage — which has been the case in the Assessment District these past two years — then the savings are passed on to the tax base.

All this talk about millage rates was also a good segue for Edwards to remind Webster Parish citizens about a Constitutional Amendment that will be appearing on people's ballots this November, that being Amendment No. 5.

Currently, taxing districts are required by state law to adjust their millage forward every so often to keep their max millage. If taxing districts fail to levy their maximum millage, it could cause budgetary shortfalls affecting governmental services for the

public. Essentially, taxing districts are heavily incentivized to levy their maximum millage or else face the consequences of having reduced funding in the years to come.

If Amendment 5 were to pass, then taxing districts won't have their hand forced when it comes to the decision to not levy their maximum millage. This would allow taxing districts the flexibility to save the taxpayers money without fear of losing the max millage option.

If you would like any further information on millage, Amendment 5, or any property tax information, Edwards says her door is always open, and she and her staff are happy to assist the public with any questions, concerns, or needs. All taxpayers should receive the Annual Report by mail, but you can always stop in at the assessor's office to pick up a copy.



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FAIR

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to enter and \$1 rides — on this day only.

The livestock weigh-in starts at 5 p.m. with the poultry and rabbit show starting at 6 p.m. Echota Records will be providing live entertainment at 6 p.m.

Starting on Wednesday, and for the remainder of the week, the gate fee will be \$2 per person. Fair gates will open at 5 p.m. on Wednesday and this is also “armband nite” where you can purchase an armband for unlimited rides.

For the livestock portion, this is swine night. The 4-H swine showman-

ship starts at 6 p.m. followed by the swine weight classes in the livestock arena.

Thursday will start off with Senior Citizen Day running from 9 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. During this time, seniors will gather at the Civic Center for breakfast, bingo, and then lunch, served by community leaders from organizations such as the Evening Lions Club, the Minden Lions Club, and the Civitans as well as many candidates in the upcoming election. “They really have a good time, and we enjoy serving them,” said Sherrie McMurray.

The fairground gates

will open for everyone at 5 p.m. This will be the second and final “armband nite” of this year’s fair.

The featured livestock show that evening will be the 4-H lamb and beef showmanship at 6 p.m. with the 4-H dairy and the Doug Sale showmanship at 7 p.m.

On Friday, there will be a buyer’s luncheon at 11:30 a.m. with the livestock auction starting at 1 p.m. in the 4-H show barn.

The fair gates will open at 5 p.m. again for fair goers.

On Saturday, the final day of the Webster Parish Fair, the fun kicks off

early when the gates open at noon. This will be Kids Day from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. with a “5 rides for \$5” special.

Echota Records will be providing live entertainment again on Saturday. If you’re feeling super hungry by then, join the pizza eating contest at 2 p.m. sponsored by Johnny’s Pizza.

The Webster Parish Fair provides fun for the whole family as well as an opportunity for 4-H members to show off the results of their hard work raising livestock. Come on out, ride a ride, eat a funnel cake, and have a great time.

GOVERNMENT

Group of state attorneys general say Senate energy bill could impose backdoor Clean Power Plan

(The Center Square) — Louisiana Attorney General Jeff Landry is leading a coalition of 18 states in opposition to the Energy Independence and Security Act, which they claim is a backdoor attempt to impose the failed Clean Power Plan.

“The Biden Administration and its allies in Congress are attempting to not only force unreliable renewables on hard-working Americans, but also turn those consumers into bigger pawns of the green energy industry,” Landry said. “The DC elites, in a rushed process, want to restrict the electric power grid by repealing the traditional authority of the states to regulate their own resources and utility policies.”

U.S. Sen. Joe Manchin, D-WV, introduced the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2022 last week, and the “comprehensive permitting reform” is included in a Continuing Resolution to avoid an Oct. 1 government shutdown.

The bill is part of a deal

between Manchin, Senate Leader Chuck Schumer, D-NY, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., and President Joe Biden to gain Manchin’s support for the Inflation Reduction Act approved by Congress in August.

Manchin contends the legislation is necessary to reduce costs for energy projects, though the legislation faces opposition from both Republicans and Democrats.

In a letter to Schumer, the attorneys general argued three interrelated provisions in the bill “eviscerate states’ ability to chair their own land-use and energy policies.”

“First, it would authorize private companies to use eminent domain against state land. Second, it would authorize (the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission) to command utilities to construct entirely new transmission facilities whenever and wherever FERC deems necessary. And third, it would authorize companies to spread costs of constructing new

transmission facilities onto residents of other states, requiring citizens of one state to subsidize the agenda of citizens in other states,” the letter read.

“These provisions eviscerate state sovereign authority, commandeering companies to carry out the will of a three-vote majority of FERC Commissioners, undermine the power of each citizens’ vote to decide policies at the state level, and inevitably force the citizens of our states to subsidize the costs of expensive energy policy preferences of California and New York.”

The attorneys general also took issue with the short timeline for approving the legislation, which they argued “is completely unacceptable.”

“If this sounds uncannily like the Clean Power Plan, the ultra vires [a legal term that means acting beyond one’s authority] 2015 EPA rule that would have effectively forced all states and regions to adopt the cap-and-trade, renewable-

subsidizing policies that to date only some states and regions have chosen, that’s because it is in large part the same policy – but this time with no meaningful public notice, explanation, discussion, input, or legal recourse,” the attorneys general wrote.

“As the Supreme Court held earlier this year, the Clean Power Plan was illegal – but at least it was openly proclaimed by President Obama, undertaken through public notice and comment and subject to full judicial review,” the letter read. “To attempt changes on this order without any notice and under rushed timing is completely unacceptable.”

Landry was joined in the letter by attorneys generals from Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Georgia, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, South Carolina Tennessee, Texas, Utah, and Virginia.

WPL

Webster Parish Libraries collecting stories for Veterans History Project

AMBER MCDOWN
Minden Press-Herald

Webster Parish Libraries has joined with the Library of Congress in collecting the firsthand experiences of war veterans through oral histories, documents, and photographs. The purpose of the Veterans History Project is to preserve these accounts for future generations.

The Veterans History Project was created in 2000 by the Library of Congress. Since then, libraries across the nation have been collecting the stories of veterans who served in military actions from World War I through the present. This includes WWII, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, the Persian Gulf War, the Iraq War and many others.

Veterans are asked to submit personal narratives such as audio- or video-taped interviews or written memoirs. They can also submit correspondence such as letters, postcards, or personal diaries, or visual materials like photographs, drawings, or scrapbooks. All documentation must be original, and taped interviews must be unedited.

“It’s all about collecting the firsthand experiences of veterans,” said Janet Robinson, historical archivist for the Minden main branch library.

Once those experiences have been collected, they will be added to the National Archive for future generations to learn from. The local libraries and the people who submit their stories will also receive copies.

Anyone who would like to submit their stories is invited to con-

tact the library. They can come in and have their stories recorded or the library will make arrangements to come visit the storyteller.

“I’m looking forward to hearing the stories because guys who have experienced that — have been in wars — they usually don’t like to talk about it, and this gives them an opportunity to talk about some of the things they wouldn’t normally talk about and that they may not mention to their families. But they might be willing to do something for this type of thing because it will be historical and from their point of view,” said Robinson. “And it will be included in the National Archives where other people can access it. It may be something they want to leave to their families, but without having to talk about it to them.”

While the project began in 2000, it is ongoing with no determined end time. But that is no reason to put this off, and there’s a very important reason to submit stories as soon as possible.

“Some people might not be willing to right now, but they may change their minds later,” Robinson continued. “I don’t want to put a limit on it as far as time frame, but I do want people to understand that it is time sensitive because you never know when this history might be lost because we lose someone. And we’ve lost a lot of people already.”

If you or someone you know is interested in adding their story to the Veterans History Project, please contact Janet Robinson at (318) 371-3080 ext 126 for more information.

ELECTION

Early voting begins October 25, 2022

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Minden Press-Herald

The 2022 voting season will soon be upon us, and now is a great time to make sure you’re ready to cast your votes.

The deadline to register to vote or to make changes to your registration will be October 11. The following week, October 18, will be the deadline to register online or make changes to your online registration.

The early voting period will be from October 25 until November 1. Anyone who chooses to may vote early. Voters who want to vote early for any election may do so in person at designated locations in their parish. Two standard locations in Webster Parish are the Webster Parish Courthouse located at 410 Main Street, Room 101 in Minden or the Springhill Civic Center at 101 Machen Drive in Springhill.

The Louisiana Secretary of State’s website states: “The registrars of voters will open their offices from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. for each day of early

voting. When you go to cast your vote early, you will be asked to identify yourself with either a photo ID or signature on a voter affidavit. You may use a Louisiana driver’s license, a Louisiana special identification card, a United States military identification card that contains your name and picture or other generally recognized picture identification card that has your name and signature. You may wish to contact your local Registrar of Voters Office for specific locations, dates and times.”

If you prefer to use a mail-in ballot, the deadline to request one — for everyone except those in the military or overseas — will be November 4, with the deadline for receiving those mail-in ballots as November 7. If you are in the military or overseas, your deadline to request a mail-in ballot will be November 7. Election day is November 8, 2022.

As election day draws nearer, people may be coming door-to-door trying to verify voter registration. Secretary of State Kyle Ardoin issued this

advisory to Louisiana voters: “ In advance of the upcoming November federal election, Louisiana Secretary of State Kyle Ardoin would like to inform Louisiana citizens that the Secretary of State’s office, Registrar of Voters offices, nor Clerks of Court offices conduct a door-to-door canvass to update or confirm a voter’s registration. Although independent third party groups conduct their own door-to-door surveys, registration or petition drives, Louisiana residents are under no obligation to speak to or answer these groups’ questions. Cooperation or refusal to cooperate will have no bearing on a voter’s registration status. The Secretary of State’s office, in conjunction with local election officials, conducts an annual voter canvass via mail only.”

The election day voting locations will be announced closer to the election. If you have any questions about voting in the upcoming elections, please call the Registrar of Voters at (318) 377-9272 or email WEBSTERROV@SOS.LA.GOV.

ART

City Art Works features local photographer Erin O’Daniel

WILL PHILLIPS
Minden Press-Herald

City Art Works is currently featuring a body of work from local photographer Erin O’Daniel, a Webster Parish native who captures both the natural and man-made beauty of Louisiana to share its wonders with others.

Originally from Springhill, O’Daniel currently resides in Haughton, but was reintroduced into Webster Parish’s art scene after being selected as a winner of the Greater Minden Chamber’s 2022 Business Directory Photo Contest. O’Daniel was selected for one of her photos featuring Lake Bistineau. While exploring Minden and some of the sites featured in the city’s HGTV special, O’Daniel stumbled across City Art Works.

“We came to Minden just looking around, taking some pictures, and we found this place. Later on after that came

through, me and my sister just came here to go eat at Geaux Fresh and go do some of the little HGTV stuff that came out. We came in here and started talking to Mary, she’s so sweet, and I gave her one of my books.”

O’Daniel’s body of work largely focuses on nature photography, and she is willing to go to great lengths just to get that perfect shot.

“Most people don’t realize how beautiful Louisiana is, so I try to capture that. I enjoy going out into places like swamps, normally in hats and rainboots out in the water as far as I can go, and taking pictures. Louisiana has a lot of beauty in it that people don’t recognize.”

O’Daniel started dabbling in the arts at a young age. “I’ve had art as a part of my life for as long as I can remember. Whether it was coloring, drawing, whatever. Ever since I could hold a pencil, I was drawing something,” said O’Daniel.

While continuing to hone her artistic abilities in her formative years, she began taking photos to use as a reference for her pieces. While taking these photos, she eventually came to the conclusion that they were beautiful pieces of art in and of themselves. She decided to focus on photography, going so far as to go to school for it, and it became her primary medium for artistic expression. She went on to state that she really dug into photography roughly five years ago.

O’Daniel’s work is currently on display at City Art Works, located at 701 Main Street in downtown Minden, and will be open for the public to see until Dec. 3. For those interested in learning more about O’Daniel and seeing more of her work, she can be found online at EOD Photography on Facebook, EODanielPhotography on Instagram, or at her website eodanielphotography.com

OBITUARIES



Mary Ethel Newsom Miller

Funeral services for Mary Ethel Newsom Miller will be held Saturday, October 1, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at City On A Hill Pentecostal Church in Minden, Louisiana with Bro. Shane Deville, and Bro. Mike Trammell officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Zion Cemetery in Minden under the direction of Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden, Louisiana. The family will receive friends Friday, September 30, 2022, from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. at Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden, Louisiana.

Mary was born August 25, 1930, in Minden, Louisiana and entered into rest September 27, 2022, in Minden, Louisiana.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas



Steven Clinton Maddry, Sr.

Steven Clinton Maddry, Sr., 76, of Minden, Louisiana passed away on September 21, 2022. Steve was a lifelong pharmacist, recently receiving a gold certificate for 50 years of service from the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy.

A celebration of life service for friends and family will be held at the St John's Episcopal church in Minden on October 22nd at 11:00 AM.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Lori; sons, Steven Maddry, Jr. (Debbie) of Huntsville, AL; Michael Maddry (April) of Norman, OK; Lori's sons, Grant Neklutin (Ashley) of Houston TX; and Jeremy Divis of Houghton, LA. Grandchildren are Steven III, Megan, Tyler, Zachary, Austin, Katelynn and James. He is also survived by his brothers, Bob Davis (Kay) of Bossier City, LA, and Roger Davis of Minden, LA.

Steve graduated from Minden high school where he was a member of the 1963 State football championship team. He went on to Northeast Louisiana State University to obtain his Doctorate of Pharmacy and license to practice.



Thomas "Tommie" Edwin Frost

Funeral services for Thomas "Tommie" Edwin Frost will be held Friday, September 30, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden, Louisiana with Dr. Rick Wolfe officiating. Interment will follow at Fellowship Cemetery in Dubberly, Louisiana. The family will receive friends from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. Thursday, September 29, 2022, at Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden.

Tommie was born July 30, 1945, in Refugio, Texas and

Wesley and Pauline Cox Newsom; husband, Charlie Reuben Miller, Sr; son, Charlie Reuben Miller, Jr; grandson, Ricky Corbit;, great-grandson, Micah Rayner; and sisters, Myrtle Newsom and Margie Vaughn.

She is survived by her children, Renee Rayner (Earnest), Sharlene Warren (Jimmy), Vicki Barron (Chuck), and Timothy Miller (Jessica); grandchildren, Jonathon Rayner (Betsy), Scotty Rayner (Judith), James Warren (Christine), Tina Bowers (Jesse), Karrie Corbit, Kellie Travis (Billy), Mark Warren, Alex Stockmon (Amanda), Troy Stockmon, Sandy Stockmon (Barry Simpson); and 25 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be John Rayner, Scotty Rayner, Christopher Bowers, Tyler Bowers, Levi Rayner, and Jeffery Wiggins.

Honorary pallbearers will be Alex Stockmon, Jesse Bowers, Troy Stockmon, and Mark Warren.

Rose-Neath Funeral Home
211 Murrell Street
Minden, Louisiana 71055
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As a Pharmacist, Steve owned The New Drug Store in Natchitoches, LA, which supported the community for many years. He eventually transitioned to start up a medical oxygen company called MEDOX that provided lifesaving oxygen machines across central Louisiana. MEDOX could be seen on little league baseball uniforms as he sponsored his sons' baseball teams. In his later years, Steve moved to Minden, LA where he served as the senior Pharmacist at the Minden Hospital.

In keeping with his strong interest in helping others, Steve served as the mission's pharmacist on many mission trips with his wife Lori to the Dominican Republic. These mission trips were sponsored by the Western Diocese of the Episcopal Church. In addition to serving in the vestry at St. John's Episcopal Church, he also served as the President of the Interfaith Pharmacy, which provided free medication to those in need.

Steve loved spending time outdoors, frequently hunting, fishing and working on home improvement projects. Steve was a master woodworker who crafted many keepsake items such as toy chests for his grandchildren and the entertainment center for his living room.

Steve led a life of service to help those in need, and he will be greatly missed by his friends and family. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to St John's Episcopal Church in Minden, LA.

died peacefully at home September 27, 2022, in Dubberly, Louisiana watching his John Wayne movies.

Tommie was preceded in death by his parents, Johnnie and Amy Frost; brothers, Howard Frost and Hookie Frost; and sister, Rosemary Anderson.

He is survived by his sister, Amy Frost Ray and nephew Edgar Silva of Dubberly; brothers, Johnnie Frost (Cindy) of Parker, Texas, Danny Frost of Dubberly and James Frost of Tarzana, California; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Pallbearers will be Melvin Jones, Jeff Hindman, Johnnie Frost, Danny Frost, Edgar Silva, and Thomas Sumner.

Honorary pallbearers will be Jesse Davis and Mikey Milligan.

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GAS

Petroleum reserve hits low point, gas prices begin to rise again

(The Center Square) – Gas prices are on the rise again just as the Strategic Petroleum Reserve hits a low point that many say is a problem.

Gas prices hit record highs in the middle of June, surpassing a national average of \$5 per gallon before starting a steady downward trend for several consecutive weeks.

That streak ended last week, though, when gas prices began to tick back up. The current national average price for a gallon of regular gasoline is \$3.77, up from \$3.68 a week ago.

The Biden administration also touted the lower gas prices last Tuesday, but the very next day data showed they had begun to rise again.

"Folks, gas prices are now back to levels they were at in early March," Biden wrote on Twitter. "That means nearly all of the increases since the beginning of Russia's war in Ukraine have been wiped out."

At the same time, the Strategic Petroleum Reserve is at the lowest level

in nearly four decades.

Last week, the Office of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve announced the sale of another 10 million barrels of oil, bringing their total to 165 of the 180 million barrels Biden authorized for release. Biden has touted the lower prices and the relief they've brought to Americans as prices have dropped.

Lawmakers, though, blasted Biden for using the petroleum reserves so extensively for short-term relief, saying he put the U.S. in a difficult position without addressing the root causes by encouraging more domestic oil production.

"The Biden Administration can't continue to tap the Strategic Petroleum Reserve and simultaneously say we don't have an energy crisis or a need to increase domestic energy production," said U.S. Rep. Garret Graves, R-La. "Their self-imposed mistakes are weakening our energy security."

Other critics pointed out an emergency could stress the already weak-

ened reserves and put the reserves dangerously low.

"Less than two years into his term, [Biden] has released more oil from the nation's Strategic Petroleum Reserve than all previous presidents combined, causing our supply to fall to a historic low," U.S. Rep. Michael Burgess, R-Texas, said. "This is a national security threat, and it is unacceptable."

The lower reserve level also spurred questions about whether hurricane Ian, expected to potentially hit the site of several petroleum storage sites, will affect the availability of reserves especially if another emergency arises.

"I don't have any concerns at this point that we're going to have the ability to handle the fuel needs that we're going to need in Florida," FEMA Administrator Deanne Criswell said at a White House press briefing in response to those concerns. "We will continue to assess after the storm passes to see what the impacts are. We'll make sure

that we're putting measures in place to support ... any gaps that we might identify."

The higher gas prices come just ahead of the midterms and could have a major impact on lawmakers seeking reelection. Gas prices had become a political cudgel used against Democrats, especially alongside soaring inflation, but the drop of those prices in recent weeks largely disarmed Republicans.

If gas prices continue to rise through election day, Republicans will have another weapon in their arsenal to use against the Biden administration and Democratic candidates.

"If you're wondering why the Biden admin won't be talking about gas prices today, it's because they've now risen for the 6th day in a row after being artificially lowered by releasing our Strategic Petroleum Reserve," said Jennifer-Ruth Green, a Republican running for Congress in Indiana.



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Federal case illuminates collusion
between feds and Facebook

A civil case has been brought in federal court by Attorney General of Louisiana Jeff Landry and Missouri Attorney General Eric Schmitt regarding the relationship between the federal government and Big Tech—here, Facebook. The question regarding freedom of speech has always been how these enormous social media sites choose to “moderate”—in fact, censor—the content of speech and whether, either by their own doing or as a result of pressure from the federal government, or both, the tech giants are suppressing certain speech which is virtually always conservative speech. U.S. District Judge, Terry Doughty, of the Western District of Louisiana, recently ruled that full discovery requires the disclosure of additional email and other communication between Dr. Anthony Fauci, White House press secretary Karine Jean-Pierre, and several of the public affairs staff at the Department of Health and Human Services. What led Judge Doughty to require the additional disclosure? Well, while there are a number of email communications discovered thus far that would otherwise seem benign—if they didn’t involve active coordination between the largest social media company in the world and U.S. government officials—there are several additional emails that are more

concerning—and may represent only the tip of the iceberg of improper collusion. These emails involve high-ranking White House officials. In one example, after Pres. Biden claimed that social media sites and “Covid misinformation” were resulting in “killing people,” a senior staffer at Meta (a Facebook spinoff) sent an email to U.S. Surgeon General Vivek Murthy, which stated “it’s not great to be accused of killing people” but Meta was committed to finding “a way to deescalate and work together collaboratively.” A week later that same Meta official sent another email to Murthy stating that “I wanted to make sure you saw the steps we took just this past week to adjust policies on what we are removing with respect to misinformation.” The email concludes “...you (Surgeon General) have identified 4 specific recommendations for improvement and we want to make sure to keep you informed of our work on each.” This is all much too cozy. This incestuous relationship



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between the federal government and Facebook and Big Tech creates a toxic coordination between government and huge social media sites to suppress critical information millions of people need to know to make good, well-informed personal decisions. That’s irrefutable censorship of free speech. Facebook’s presence in American society is so widespread and prevalent as to bear all the trappings of a government entity—a public utility. These emails clearly establish that Facebook is functioning as an arm of the government, a “state actor” in legal parlance, and as the functional equivalent of the Thought Police of the State. Therefore, it should be held to the same prohibitions on censorship as the Government. Facebook pretends that it is a neutral arbiter operating an information exchange platform. In fact, in March of 2020, Mark Zuckerberg stated that “I just believe strongly that Facebook shouldn’t be the arbiter of truth of everything that people say online.... Private companies probably shouldn’t be, especially these platform companies, shouldn’t be in the position of doing that.” However, when you fast forward to today, we see that Zuckerberg and Facebook have become captives of the Thought Police at Facebook and do regularly make editorial content decisions in the composition of

its news feed through its algorithms, and those decisions are often not objective and fair to all points of view. I note that while our 1st Amendment prohibits the suppression of speech by local, state, and federal governments, government censorship is not the only kind. Private sector suppression of speech is just as threatening, chilling, and destructive. This is particularly true where Big Tech platforms become news editors and make common cause with the Deep State and the National Democrat Party. In truth, social media has become our modern-day public forum. It’s also true that the greatest virtue of free thought and free speech is that all kinds of ideas are thrust into the rough and tumble of the marketplace of ideas where the best idea prevails. It is this collision of, this testing of, speech and thought in a free and open exchange that produces the best results—and leads the nation to wise and popular policy results on challenging national issues. I’m looking forward to seeing what new email or other communications are recovered by turning over more rocks in this lawsuit.

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FROM THE BACK PORCH

It’s time to head back into the kitchen

Summer is winding down. The canning and freezing processes are complete and now it’s time to get back to one of my favorite activities. Baking. I don’t pretend to be an expert or professional baker, I just enjoy making the items that our family and friends enjoy eating. I like to bake and share with friends. This gives me the opportunity to do something I like to do as well as be a “good neighbor” or friend. I haven’t done much of this recently due to other activities taking up much of my time. But last week, I started what I call my fall baking; foods that remind me of the cooler temperatures. My usual first item is applesauce cake. This is a simple recipe, full of walnuts to make it crunchy. It is good eaten by itself as a snack, with coffee for break time or with iced tea or milk at meal time. I baked this last week and we feasted on it for several days. Monday, in spite of having several tasks to do, I tried out a new recipe for bread. A friend had promised to share his recipe, but since I didn’t have it yet, I used one called Amish Bread. It is just a regular yeast bread so I don’t know why it is

tagged as Amish bread. It was a fairly quick recipe and I took two loaves out of the oven a short time after lunch. I can’t wait when I pull the aromatic loaves from the oven and have to cut a slice while it is still hot. I was not disappointed. It was good and crunchy and I’m anxious to try it with some of the new jelly I made this year. It will soon be sweet potato time. This will be a time for baking sweet potato bread and pies. These usually appear around Thanksgiving and Christmas, but often, I can’t wait and I slip in a few earlier in the fall. The all-time favorite of many is the pecan pie. I usually buy a supply of pecans in October and they serve for my baking needs all year. I’ve already used them all and I’m substituting walnuts in some recipes when I can. It’s good that next month the new crop of pecans



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will be ready and I can get a supply and keep in the freezer. (Even though coconut cream pie isn’t considered a fall treat, but one that is commonly served year round, this is the one I make most often. Probably every friend who has experienced sickness or loss of a loved one, has received one of my coconut pies. I really need to get out of the rut.) Then there’s the dark, moist gingerbread. The recipe I use calls for molasses and I think that may be what causes it to be so dark. We usually top each serving with a spoonful of applesauce. The fresh apple cake is a fall favorite and it is also one of Hubby’s favorite cakes. He usually gets one for his birthday, which will be coming up in November. In addition to all the sweet treats I enjoy baking, there are some which are not sweet and can be used for breakfast breads. An easy and delicious one is the Buttery Scones with dried cranberries. These have a hint of sugar but are not actually sweet and are good with coffee. Irish Soda Bread is an interesting bread I discovered a

few years ago. It makes a hard, crusty bread and contains raisins and nuts. Slice this and toast it slightly and it makes a tasty breakfast toast. You can spread it with butter, peanut butter or even Nutella for a finishing touch. As fall drifts away and December comes along, we’ll be thinking about baking for Christmas. This is probably my favorite baking period as this is the time I prepare Mama’s Dark Fruit Cake. The recipe is one my mother used for her many years of baking fruit cakes. Of course, she substituted many of the ingredients to use fruits she had preserved in the summer. I, too, have adapted the recipe but it makes the moistest fruit cake I have ever eaten. This cake is moist with candied fruits and is chock full of nuts. Hubby and I make it every year, usually around Thanksgiving. We wrap it and store it in refrigerator. It keeps well and is ready for the holidays. Umm, I think it’s time to head back to the kitchen.

FANNIE MOORE LIVES IN SHONGALOO.

OTHER OPINION

Washington Post: Congressional stock trading unfair

It is a long-running scandal that members of Congress are allowed to trade individual stocks. They have access to privileged information. They oversee a sprawling web of federal policy. Their actions can have direct effects on the companies in which they have stakes. The potential for real or perceived conflicts of interest is enormous. Yet House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) has not always favored cracking down on lawmaker stock-trading. “It’s a free-market economy,” she said last year, dismissing concerns. Lately, she has changed her stance, indicating that a stock-trading bill from Rep. Zoe Lofgren (D-Calif.) will make it to

the House floor this month. That’s good. The question is whether the speaker will do what’s necessary to get it over the finish line. Ms. Lofgren sent a letter to colleagues last week laying out a framework for a bill that would restrict public officials from exploiting their positions for personal gain: banning them as well as their spouses and dependent children from dealing in stocks, securities, commodities, futures, cryptocurrencies and similar investments, and mandating that they either divest existing assets or put them in a qualified blind trust. Those officials would still be able to hold diversified funds as well as government bonds,

on the theory that dealing in those sorts of investments doesn’t present the same potential for abuse. Disclosure requirements would also become more detailed, and the penalties for noncompliance more severe. The proposal Ms. Lofgren described is appealing. But good-government advocates are nevertheless wary. Democratic congressional leaders have not allowed votes this year on multiple bipartisan bills written along similar lines, which hardly builds confidence that they are committed to reform. Timing is now an issue: Lawmakers leave Capitol Hill on Friday and will not return until after the midterm elections, so any knotty disputes

will need fast untangling if the Lofgren bill is to pass. The proposal’s prospects are made even murkier by the pressure to apply the bill’s restrictions to Supreme Court justices along with members of Congress. This is a guaranteed nonstarter for Senate Republicans, at least some of whom would need to support the bill for it to advance. Otherwise, the bill might pass the lower chamber, handing Ms. Pelosi a victory and a talking point, but perish in the upper one. The speaker shouldn’t allow that to happen. If Ms. Lofgren and her allies believe their bill is better than those already introduced, they should seize the opportunity to fix their own branch

and leave the others for separate legislation. Some reform is better than none. A recent New York Times report on congressional conflicts of interest revealed that nearly one-fifth of lawmakers bought or sold assets in industries possibly affected by their work. Some of the examples appear to show impropriety; the majority likely show only the appearance of it. But both are corrosive to citizens’ faith in good government. In bringing a viable bill quickly to the floor, House Democrats would help restore public faith — by holding themselves to account on stock-trading, and by doing what they said they would.

SPORTS

Apaches to face Arcadia in battle of unbeatens

Minden, Lakeside hosting home games while North Webster hits road to face Wossman

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Minden Press-Herald

A showdown of Class 1A unbeatens highlights this week's game for Webster Parish prep football teams.

Glenbrook, ranked No. 2 in Division IV Select-School power rankings by GeauxPreps.com, will play host to Arcadia, ranked No. 3 in GeauxPreps.com Division IV Nonselect-Schools ratings, at 7 p.m. Friday in a battle of 4-0 unbeatens.

The Apaches hosted Arcadia in the final game of the 2021 regular season with Glenbrook winning 55-22.

Minden (1-3), currently ranked 27th in GeauxPrep.com power ratings will try to get back on a winning track by playing at 2-2 Huntington, which is ranked

No. 17 in the Division I power rankings.

Huntington won last year's meeting between the schools by the score of 40-7.

North Webster has started off at 0-4 and faced a tough task on Friday as the Knights travel to Monroe to take on Wossman.

Wossman is ranked No. 34 in the Division II Nonselect School power ratings by GeauxPreps.com.

Lakeside will be looking to continue its strong start as the 3-1 Warriors play host to Lincoln Prep, which is ranked 21st in GeauxPreps.com Division IV Select School power ratings.

The Warriors will be looking for revenge against the Panthers, who defeated Lakeside 44-27 last season during a game played in Sibley.


WEEK 4 PREP FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Minden (1-3) at Huntington (2-2)

Arcadia (4-0) at Glenbrook (4-0)


Lincoln Prep (2-2) at Lakeside (2-2)

North Webster (0-4) at Wossman (2-2)



GEAUXPREPS.COM STATE POWER RATINGS

Minden	Division II	27th (9.880)
North Webster	Division III	40th (6.750)
Lakeside	Division III	21st (10.630)
Glenbrook	Division IV (select)	2nd (16.290)



G-Men to face Prairie View in Texas State Fair Classic

Minden Press-Herald Sports Service

GRAMBLING — The Grambling State University football team will look to snap a four-game losing streak against rival Prairie View A&M in the annual State Fair Classic on Saturday night.

Kickoff against the Panthers in this Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) showdown is set for 6 p.m. at the historic Cotton Bowl Stadium in Dallas, Texas.

Grambling State (1-3 overall, 0-1 SWAC) is coming off a 36-19 defeat on the road to Bethune-Cookman last week to open conference play. Despite outgaining the Wildcats by more than 100 yards, the Tigers failed to score any second-half points after taking a 19-17 lead late in the second quarter.

Prairie View A&M (2-2, 2-0) might have had some plane troubles on the way to Montgomery, Alabama last week, but that didn't stop the Panthers from picking



Dedrick Talbert (24), a junior transfer from Garden City CC, led Grambling State with 67 yards on 10 carries, including a three-yard touchdown, during last weekend's 36-19 loss at Bethune-Cookman.

up the 24-15 victory over Alabama State. PVAMU did the bulk of its damage through the air, despite only having 16 first downs.

Saturday's game will be streamed live HBCU GO as Charlie Neal will have the call. Grambling State will broadcast and stream the game on the Grambling State Sports Radio Network. The game can be heard in Ruston and Dubach on the flagship station, The Peach (KPCH-99.3 FM), KNNW 103.1 FM in Columbia and Monroe and KEDG 106.9 FM in Alexandria and Pineville.

The Tigers' broadcast crew of Ossie Clarkl, Chyelle Flowers and T. Lay Collins will call all of the action.

Grambling State head coach Hue Jackson said the Tigers didn't play as well against Bethune-Cookman as they did on that particular day, but saw some improve-

ment with the football team overall and that the team is headed in the right direction.

"There are still some things we are working through each and every day," Jackson said. "I think we are building. I think our guys are starting to truly get and understand the environment I am creating for them. We are looking forward to playing again this weekend in the State Fair Classic."

Miami, before falling on Sept. 10 to South Carolina State, 33-9.

"It's a big matchup for us," said GSU coach Hue Jackson. "They are coming off a bye so they've had a couple weeks to get ready and heal up.

"Obviously, they'll be ready to play. We've got to pack a good team and go down to Daytona and go play some good football."

In other games of area interest, LSU will host New Mexico on Saturday while Northwestern State will host Lamar.

LSU looking to keep early surge alive at Auburn

Minden Press-Herald Sports Service

Embattled Auburn coach Bryan Harsin could use a big win after narrowly escaping Missouri thanks to a goal-line fumble in overtime.

The heat on him ratcheted up after a 41-12 loss to Penn State. Auburn produced only a combined nine points in the second halves of those two games.

LSU is seeking its fourth straight win and can improve to 2-0 in the SEC. First-year LSU coach Brian Kelly makes only his third venture into an SEC stadium and first of this season.

The first two came with Central Michigan and Notre Dame.

KEY MATCHUP

LSU's defense is coming off its first shutout since 2018, holding New Mexico to 88 to-



tal yards and two first downs in a 38-0 win, which came one week after the Tigers held Mississippi State's "Air Raid" offense to 16 points. Auburn's offense has sputtered badly even before the shoulder injury to quarterback T.J. Finley. LSU is giving up just 257.8 yards a game, ranking 12th nationally. Auburn's offensive average of 376.8 yards ranks 89th.

PLAYERS TO WATCH

LSU: WR Kayshon

Boutte returns after missing the New Mexico game following his son's birth. Boutte torched Auburn for 99 yards on the opening drive last season, including a 31-yard touchdown one play after the offense lost 22 yards on a fumble. Boutte finished the game with 127 yards on six catches.

Auburn: RB Tank Bigsby hasn't been a huge factor in the last three games, totalling 134 yards on 41 carries, an average of 3.3

yards. He opened with a 16-carry, 147-yard, two-touchdown effort against Mercer. New starting quarterback Robby Ashford needs to be able to lean on Bigsby and Jarquez Hunter in the running game.

FACTS & FIGURES

The home team has won 18 of the last 22 meetings. The four games from 2016-19 were decided by a total of 14 points. ... Auburn won in Baton Rouge last year for the first time since 1999, thanks to a late 92-yard touchdown drive. ... LSU is trying for a fourth straight game with 200-plus yards rushing. LSU hasn't done that since opening the 2015 season with seven in a row. ... Arkansas transfer safety Joe Foucha will make his LSU debut. He started 33 games for the Razorbacks, with 231 carrier

tackles and five interceptions. ... LSU QB Jayden Daniels left last

week's game with a minor back injury but is expected to play.



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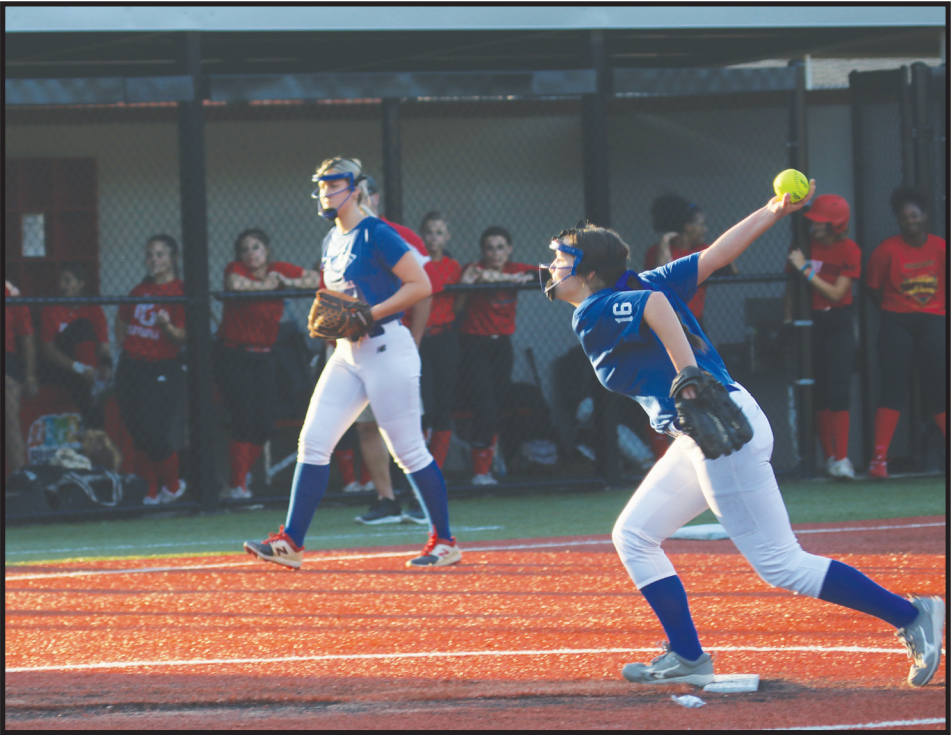
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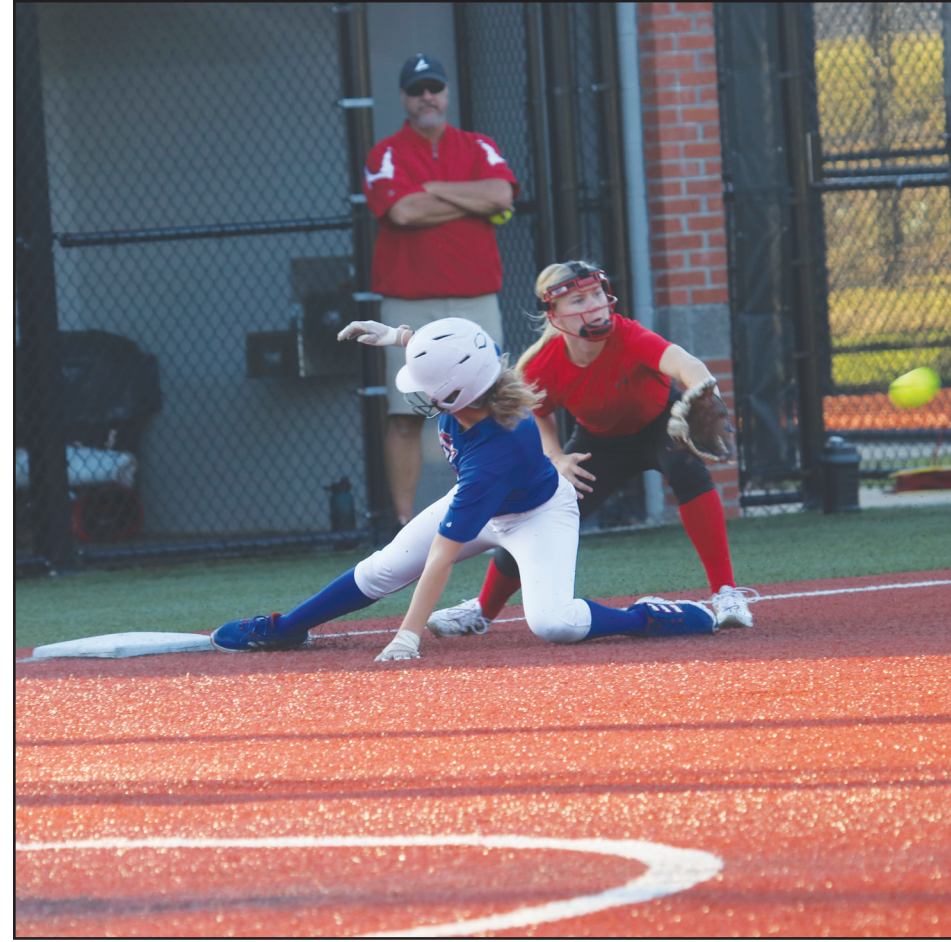
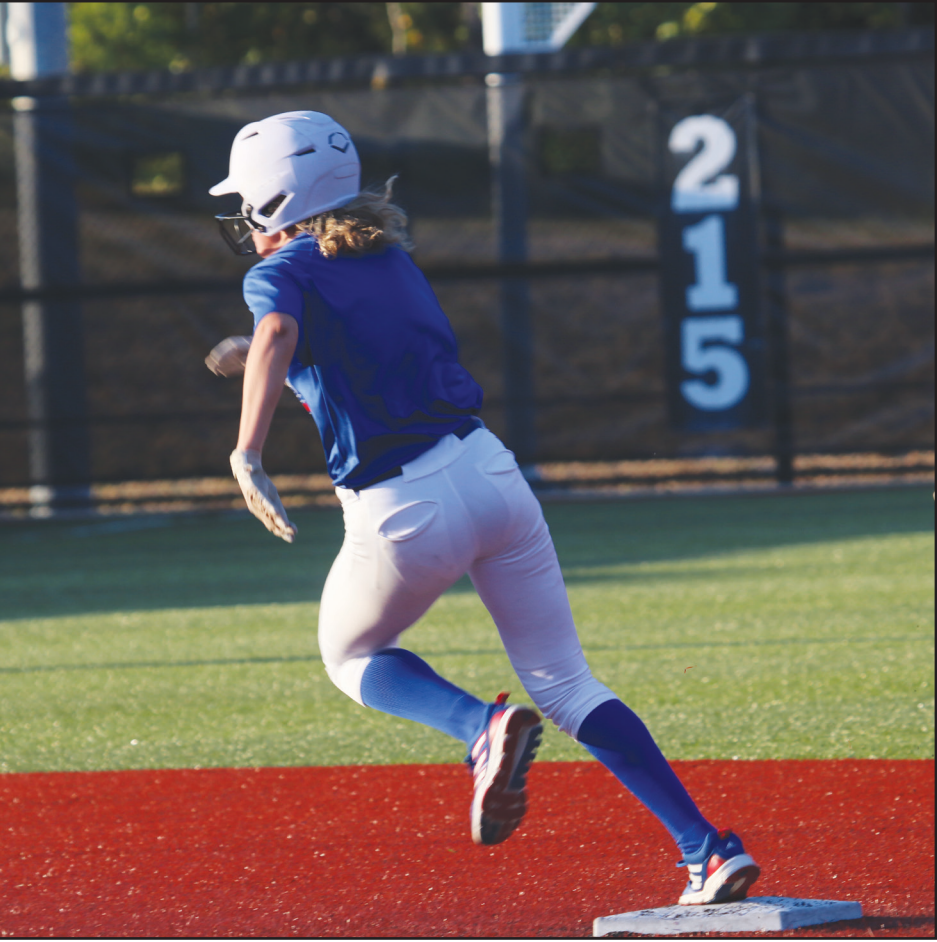
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Glenbrook plays at Ruston in fall softball showdown

The score didn't matter Wednesday evening as the Glenbrook softball team played at Ruston in a little fall softball practice at the Ruston Sports Complex.



New book on Bayou D'Arbonne swamp must read

GLYNN HARRIS

I just finished reading an outstanding book, “Bayou D’Arbonne Swamp,” written by retired wildlife biologist Kelby Ouchley and it got me thinking about the swamps and woods I grew up around in rural Natchitoches Parish.

The “swamp” that stands out most in my memory couldn’t really qualify as a swamp; it was a little creek that coursed through the woods at the feet of beeches and oaks not far behind our country home. Molido (pronounced Molly-doe) was where I learned to swim. It was the creek where I landed my first bass, killed my first squirrel, and fell victim to my first and only snake bite.

Ouchley delves deeply into the swamp where he grew up and currently lives by “offering a kaleidoscopic view of Bayou D’Arbonne swamp that reveals its unique past and distinctive flora, fauna and people”.

Five miles or so from where I grew up was a “real” swamp, one I spent untold hours on hunting, fishing and exploring. Saline swamp – it really is a swamp – is a larger stream into which my Molido empties and eventually makes its way on to the Red River which empties into the Mississippi River which eventually ends up in the Gulf of Mexico.

It was along a certain stretch of Saline that as a kid, we dunked live crawfish impaled on a hook into the waters where the bottom was a mixture of sand and gravel. It was there where we caught what we called “smallmouth” bass when in fact they were Kentucky or spotted bass.

In his book, Ouchley really triggered my memory when he wrote about catching “smallmouth” bass along Bayou D’Arbonne.

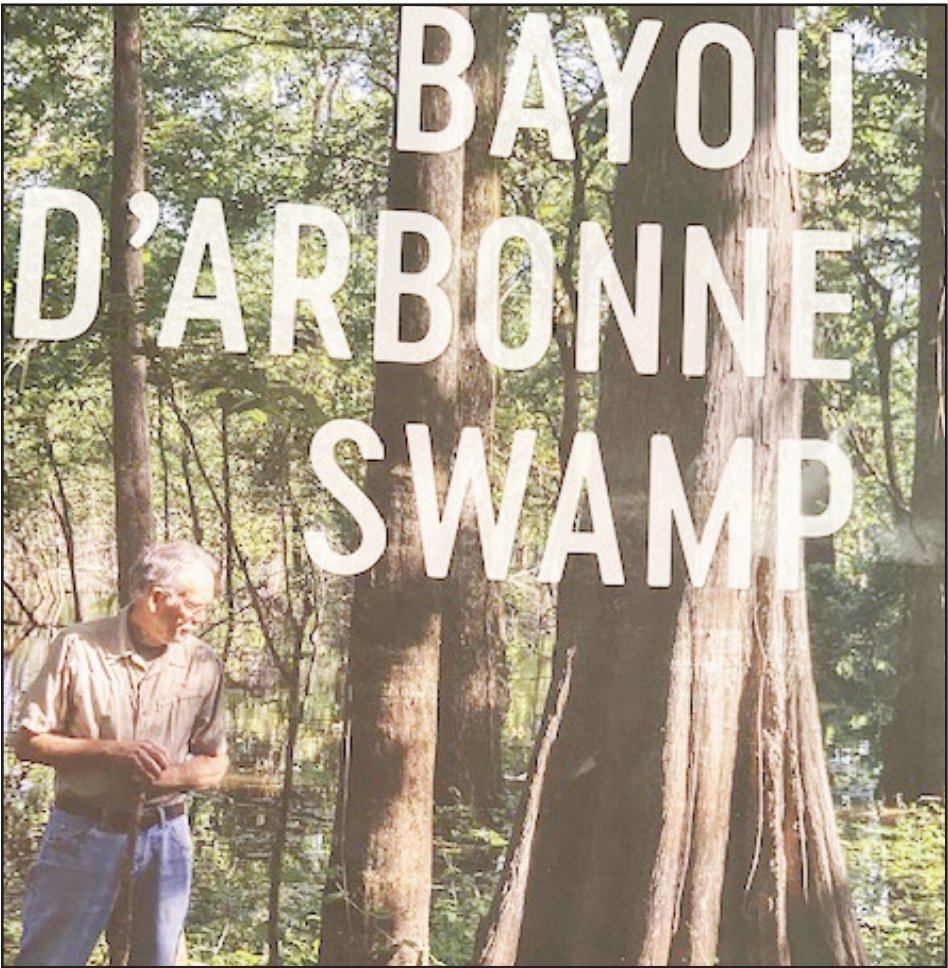


PHOTO BY GLYNN HARRIS

Bayou D’Arbonne Swamp written by Kelby Ouchley is sure to create interest in area readers.

Another favorite activity in spring along Saline was wading out in the backwaters and scooping up the making of some of the best jelly known to man, mayhaws. Ouchley writes about doing the exact same thing in his swamp with a descriptive term that makes my mouth water. He writes “Mayhaws are small trees found in forested wetlands of the Southeast that produce a fruit used to make one of the finest jellies ever to grace a buttermilk biscuit.”

Let’s cut to the chase right here. Kelby Ouchley’s writing style, in my opinion, rivals that of any writer anywhere when it comes to his gift of painting pictures with the written word. I have copies of his other books including the popular “Bayou

Diversity: Nature and People in the Louisiana Bayou Country” that validate my point of view.

Here’s an example in sharing his thoughts after a beautiful indigo bunting had crashed into the window next to his office.

“For tens of thousands nights I have slept in this place on the edge of the swamp as wild geese flew north, wings rustling the pages of my calendar, and now that I have surpassed seven decades of a life that has included many migrations, individuals of all species seem more important. Maybe it’s a softening of my hard science outlook, or perhaps it is because I’ve had a couple of near window strikes myself that I

made the effort to bury the indigo bunting beneath my favorite wild azalea. Purposefully.”

Kelby Ouchley knows the bayou D’Arbonne swamp so well because he lives on a hill overlooking this place he loves. His background in working with wildlife all his life when coupled with his attachment to the natural world his swamp reveals to him is a gift few enjoy.

To order your own personally inscribed copy of Bayou D’Arbonne Swamp, contact Ouchley at this address – Kelby Ouchley, 106 Heartwood Dr., Farmer-ville, LA 71241. His email address is swamprabit101@gmail.com. Cost of the book including shipping and handling is \$34.15.

Fishing Report

BLACK BAYOU – A few bream have been caught around the grass on worms and crickets. Bass have been best by fishing plastic frogs around grass. Contact Honey Hole Tackle Shop 323-8707 for the latest information.

OUACHITA RIVER – The water is in good condition. Bass are in the cuts and hitting topwater lures early while Carolina rigs and Shaky Heads are picking up some later in the day. Crappie are around the deep tops in the river and hitting shiner or jigs. For the latest information, contact the Honey Hole Tackle Shop at 323-8707.

LAKE D’ARBONNE – Crappie are on the flats off the deeper sloughs and have been fair on shiners or jigs. Bass have been schooling some and hitting shad imitation lures. Also some are being caught around the grass on Rat-L-Traps and topwater lures. Bream are scattered and fair while catfish are biting cold worms fished off the banks. For the latest information, call Anderson Sport Center at 368-9669 or Honey Hole Tackle Shop at 323-8707.

LAKE CLAIBORNE – Crappie continue to be in their summer pattern and are hanging around submerged brush with most caught in 8-10 foot water on shiners and jigs. The Bobby Garland Blue Thunder jigs along with chartreuse patterns are working best. Bass fishing has been best fishing around the boat docks and piers using soft plastics and crank baits. A few stripers have been

caught along with the bass. Catfishing has been fair to good on set hooks using small bream for bait. Some are also being caught on yo-yos. For the latest information, call Kel’s Cove at 927-2264 or Terzia Tackle at 278-4498.

CANEY LAKE – Some catches of bream are being reported on crickets or night crawlers. Bass continue to school around the lake with shad imitation topwater lures picking up some. Bigger fish to around 7-pounds have been caught on soft plastics and deep diving crank baits around brush and underwater humps around the channels. Crappie are fair fishing jigs and shiners around submerged tops in deeper water. No report on catfish this week. For information contact Hooks Marina at 249-2347, Terzia Tackle at 278-4498 or the Honey Hole Tackle Shop at 323-8707.

LAKE POVERTY – Catfish continue to be about the only thing biting with an occasional crappie being reported. No report on bass or bream. For the latest reports, call Poverty Point Marina at 318-878-0101.

LAKE YUCATAN – The water is on a slow fall and fishing should improve. Bass have been fair on a variety of baits, a good many catfish are being reported and although crappie are rather slow, some real slabs are being caught on shiners or jigs. For information, call Surplus City Landing at 318-467-2259.

— Glynn Harris

Good News

GOOD NEWS

IT MUST BE FALL

I noticed leaves on webbing in the trees and we began wearing shoes to school? and persimmons are turning pink. Can't Oh, how I hated to put you almost 'smell the those shoes on again, change a'coming?' An- but it surely felt good other summer laid to rest; another beautiful autumn appearing around the area. Another season of change! Life is much like the seasons - always changing...sun shining, thunder and lightening, and then storms - strong winds, hail, and even snow sometimes...!

Remember as a child when the cooler mornings began to appear Heavy dew's are welcomed. The worms are



Bill Crider

the long, hot summer season was fast upon us. - juicy and sweet...a perfect treat on a fall morning in the woods. 'Possum grapes and Elder berries were plentiful for a snack near the creek, or in Mama's fall jams. We always knew where the cross-vine was growing too...good smoking when they dried in the fall. The corn silks were used for 'homemade cigarettes' along with pages from the Sears catalog made for tuff (but cheap) smoking! Of course, a burned tongue and a few other symptoms were byproducts of such. Yes, summer had waved goodbye; the fall season was fast upon us.

Life is a series of seasons, each moving faster as the wheels race down the speedway toward the finish line. Following close on the heels of autumn is winter. Change, change, change! I cry out, "Hey, Lord, these seasons are passing too fast for me." He replies, "Trust Me and hang on, boy! The best is yet to be." How can that be? Well, only the Good Lord knows! Yep, it is autumn; it's fall! See the pumpkins on display for the children to enjoy? Posters announce "fall festivals" at churches and garage sales are everywhere, mums in bloom, pine straw being dumped on the ground - celebrations of another harvest time. Schools are celebrating with homecoming courts and parades; that's a sure signal that 'FALL IS HERE!' Let's enjoy God's beautiful landscape He has painted for us and let's give thanks to our wonderful Heavenly Father for another season to enjoy.

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THE UPWARD LOOK

To Equip for Ministry

"to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ," Ephesians 4:12 ESV

The purpose of the gifted spiritual leaders of the church, i.e., evangelists and pastor-teachers, is to equip other believers to carry out the ministry of the church. The word translated "equip" can also mean to prepare, mend, repair, and restore to its intended purpose. Therefore a pastor is to prepare, guide, and instruct his flock, the local church, so that every believer lives daily for Christ, while serving other believers and nonbelievers through loving care and concern and righteous living.

Lord Jesus, thank You for gifted pastors. Give them boldness, strength, and steadfastness to faithfully teach Your Word and to equip other believers in carrying out Your work of ministry.

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Max Hutto

INSPIRATION

From East to West

The story of Noah is about a man so righteous God chose him to restart the world. Noah was given what most of us would have seen as an impossible task. He was told it was going to rain in a time when no one had yet seen rain. He was also told to build a boat big enough to hold two of every animal and his family. He dealt with mocking from everyone around him and still stayed the course. Then the floodwaters came and destroyed the earth. However, Noah was safe inside the ark and stayed there until the waters had completely subsided. Afterwards he and his family finally exited the ark he made a covenant with God. So far we have seen this as a story of success and obedience but did you know it's also about failure? Later in this story, Noah gets drunk on wine from his own vineyard and passes out naked. However God didn't condemn Noah for his failure, he forgave him. In closing, I would like to encourage anyone suffering in sin to call upon the Lord and seek his peace and forgiveness. "Psalms 103:12-13 NLT He has removed our sins as far from us as the east is from the west. The Lord is like a father to his children, tender and compassionate to those who fear him."



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Level: Advanced

Here's How It Works:

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

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ANSWER:

COMICS

BLONDIE I DEAN YOUNG AND JOHN MARSHALL



BEETLE BAILEY I MORT & GREG WALKER



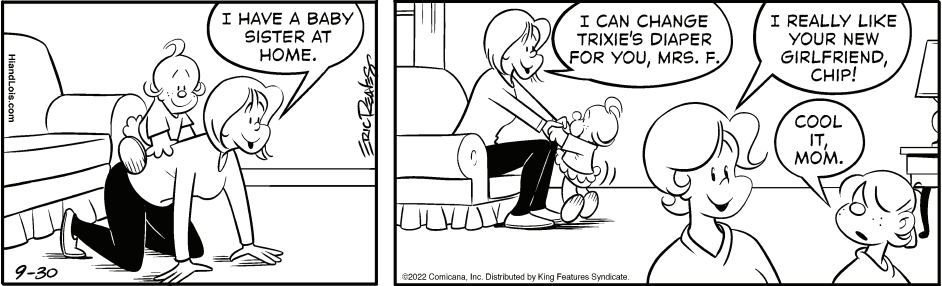
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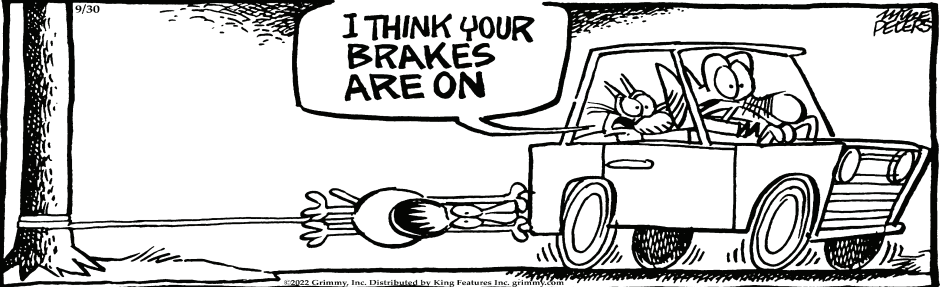
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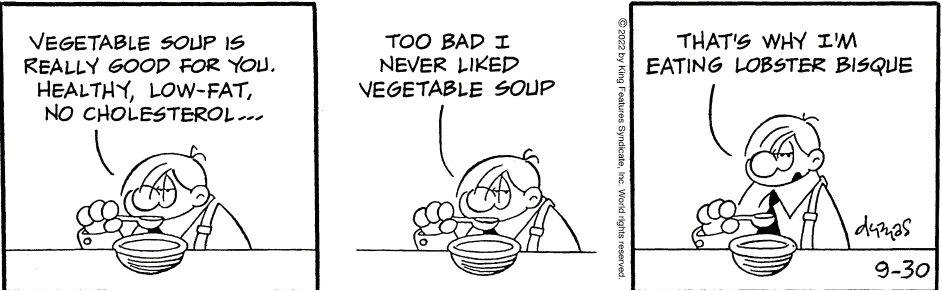
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SAM AND SILO I JERRY DUMAS



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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: WHAT DO YOU THINK ANCIENT GREEKS WASHED GARMENTS IN TO MAKE THEM REALLY CLEAN? TUNIC TONIC.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Z equals K

FUN & GAMES

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Per Day - Up to 20 words!
Additional words are only 30 cents more!

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Cash Checks, Billing

Real Estate Notice

“All real estate advertised here is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or intention to make any such preference, limitation, or discrimination. We will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate, which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.

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Call to place your ad!

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377-1866

PUBLIC NOTICE

Minden Planning Commission Meeting

October 6, 2022 – 10:00 a.m.

Pelican Room - Minden City Hall

On the agenda is a request from Joyful Days, LLC for a zoning variance on property owned by them located at 721 East Street. This property is zoned R-3 (Single Family Residential).

The purpose of this zoning variance is to be able to use the existing building on the property as office space for a personal care service company.

Legal Description: LOTS 7, 8 AND 9, BLOCK 7, SOUTH HIGHLAND ADDITION TO THE CITY OF MINDEN, WEBSTER PARISH, LOUISIANA, AS PER MAP AND PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT, WEBSTER PARISH, LOUISIANA

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

**September 16, 2022
September 23, 2022
September 30, 2022
Minden Press-Herald**

**Webster Parish Police Jury
401 Main Street ---
P.O. Box 389
Minden, Louisiana 71058-0389
Phone# 318-377-7564 Fax# 318-371-2366
Ibalkom@sudden-linkmail.com**

September 13, 2022

INVITATION FOR BID

The Webster Parish Police Jury solicits sealed bids for the following:
Building Updates for the Webster Parish Health Unit Building 1200-1202 Homer Road, Minden, LA 71055

The proposals must be in the hands of the undersigned no later than **2:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 12, 2022 in the - in the Courthouse House Annex meeting room of the Webster Parish Police Jury, 401 Main Street, Minden, Louisiana 71055.** The bid forms and specification sheets are available at no charge in the office of the Secretary-Treasurer, Webster Parish Policy Jury. A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at 1:00pm Monday, September 26, 2022 at 1200 Homer Road, Minden, LA 71055. Successful bids will be approved at the Regular Meeting, Webster Parish Police Jury on November 1, 2022 upon legal review.

The Webster Parish Police Jury is a tax-exempt governmental agency.

The Webster Parish Police Jury abides by the requirements of the Louisiana Bid Law.

ALL BIDS SUBMITTED MUST BE CLEARLY MARKED. Webster Parish Police Jury – “BID ENCLOSED”

The Webster Parish Police Jury is a tax-exempt governmental agency.

The Webster Parish Police Jury complies with the State of Louisiana Public Bid Law as stated in LA R.S. 38:2211.

The Webster Parish Police Jury reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive informalities or to accept the bid, which may best serve its interest.

**September 16, 2022
September 20, 2022
September 30, 2022
October 4, 2022
October 11, 2022
Minden Press-Herald**

SHERIFF'S SALE

SPECIALIZED LOAN SERVICING, LLC VS. SHARON BROWN

WALLACE AND KENNETH RAY WALLACE

In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. 80166

By virtue of a WRIT OF SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, in the above styled and numbered suit and to me directed, I have seized and taken into my possession and will offer for sale at public auction to the last and highest bidder for cash WITH the benefit of appraisal and according to law at the principal front door of the Courthouse in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana on WEDNESDAY, October 5, 2022, During the legal sale hours, the following property, to wit:

A LOT LOCATED IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (NW/4 OF SW/4) OF SECTION 31; TOWNSHIP 18 NORTH, RANGE 8 WEST, WEBSTER PARISH, LOUISIANA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGIN AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE AFORESAID FORTY; THENCE RUN NORTH A DISTANCE OF 650 FEET AND TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE LOT TO BE HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE CONTINUE NORTH ALONG THE FORTY LINE AND ALONG THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY OF LOUISIANA HIGHWAY NO. 531 A DISTANCE OF 200 FEET; THENCE RUN EAST A DISTANCE OF 300 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH A DISTANCE OF 200 FEET; THENCE RUN WEST A DISTANCE OF 300 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, TOGETHER WITH ALL IMPROVEMENTS THEREON AND ALL RIGHTS THERETO BELONGING; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

That certain manufactured home/mobile situated on the above described property, being a 1999, 80 X 28 Signal Homes, Inc., Beacon, Serial No. SGO10447A/B99, which said manufactured home/mobile home was immobilized pursuant to Affidavit to Immobilize Mobile Home dated August 19, 1999 and filed for record as Instrument No. 430941 of the records of Webster Parish, Louisiana.

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

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

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

Linda Vaughan - Deputy

**September 2, 2022
September 30, 2022
Minden Press-Herald**

SHERIFF'S SALE CIVIL DOCKET NO. 78010

IN THE TWENTY-SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR WEBSTER PARISH, LOUISIANA

GORDON J GAMM, ETAL VS. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGA-

TEES OF STEPHEN HENDERSON, ETAL

NOTICE:

By virtue of a COMMISSION TO SELL to me directed from the Honorable Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, in the above numbered and entitled cause, I will sell at Public Auction for Cash according to law, WITHOUT benefit of appraisal at the principle front door of the Courthouse of Webster Parish, Louisiana, during the legal hours of sale on Wednesday, October 5, 2022 the following described property to wit:

The West One-Half of the Northeast Quarter (W/2 of NE/4) of Section 6, Township 17 North, Range 9 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana, LESS AND EXCEPT:

One (1) acre lying in a square in the Southwest Corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SW/4 of NE/4) of Section 6, Township 17 North, Range 9 West, deeded to the Methodist Episcopal Church in America of the Louisiana Annual Conference, Minden District, Lanesville Circuit, in that deed filed for record in Webster Parish, Louisiana on January 2, 1900, in Conveyance Book 9, Page 767.

This sale shall be exclusive of all mineral rights.

The entire proceeds of said sale without deduction of costs, shall be turned over by me to DONNA LACOUR, a Notary Public, in and for Webster Parish, Louisiana, for partition and division according to terms of Judgment in said cause.

Thus done and signed officially this 16th day of August, 2022.

Jason R. PARKER Sheriff & Ex-Officio Auctioneer

Linda Vaughn - Deputy

**September 2, 2022
September 30, 2022
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SHERIFF'S SALE

MIDFIRST BANK VS. LANCE LAMAR FARRINGTON AND NATALIE ANN BLAKE FARRINGTON A/K/A NATALEE ANN BLAKE FARRINGTON

In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. CV80052

By virtue of a WRIT OF SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, in the above styled and numbered suit and to me directed, I have seized and taken into my possession and will offer for sale at public auction to the last and highest bidder for cash WITHOUT the benefit of appraisal and according to law at the principal front door of the Courthouse in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana on WEDNESDAY, November 2, 2022, During the legal sale hours, the following property, to wit:

The West 173 feet of the Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of section 15, Township 23 North, Range 9 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana, together with all structures and improvements located thereon; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

**September 2, 2022
September 30, 2022
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JASON R. PARKER Sheriff & Ex-Officio Auctioneer Webster Parish, Louisiana

Linda Vaughan - Deputy

**September 30, 2022
October 28, 2022
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SHERIFF'S SALE

CITIBANK, N.S., NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR NEW RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2018-4 VS. PAMELA LEWIS THOMPSON AND WILLIAM E. THOMPSON, JR.

In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. 80197

By virtue of a WRIT OF SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, in the above styled and numbered suit and to me directed, I have seized and taken into my possession and will offer for sale at public auction to the last and highest bidder for cash WITH the benefit of appraisal and according to law at the principal front door of the Courthouse in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana on WEDNESDAY, November 2, 2022, During the legal sale hours, the following property, to wit:

Begin at point where the North right-of-way line of Doyline-Pilgrims Rest Road intersects the East line of Southeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter, Section 20, Township 18 North, Range 10 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana; thence run North 420 feet, more or less to the Northeast corner of Southeast Quarter of Southwest Quarter, said Section 20; thence run West 420 Feet; thence South 420 feet, more or less, to North right-of-way line of said Doyline-Pilgrims Rest Road; thence run in an Easterly direction along the North right-of-way line of said road 420 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning, together with all improvements thereon and all rights thereto belonging; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

That certain manufactured/mobile home situated on the above described property, being a 2006 Southern Homes, SS6848, Mobile Hme, 28' X 52', Serial No. DSD-AL44837A/B and HUD #NTA136474-8/9, which said manufactured home/mobile home was immobilized pursuant to Affidavit to Immobilize Mobile Home dated September 8, 2005 and filed for record as Instrument No. 481609 of the records of Webster Parish, Louisiana.

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Linda Vaughan - Deputy

**September 30, 2022
October 28, 2022
Minden Press-Herald**

Final Notice and Public Explanation of a Proposed Activity in a Wetland To: All Interested Agencies, Groups, and Individuals

This is to give notice that the City of Minden 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 the Louisiana Community Development Block Grant program under

Announcement of Public Meeting

Notice is hereby given that at its meeting to be held on Tuesday, November 1, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. at its regular meeting place, the Police Jury Meeting Room, Webster Parish Courthouse Annex, 401 Main Street,

Minden, Louisiana, the Police Jury of the Parish of Webster, State of Louisiana, plans to consider adopting a resolution ordering and calling an election to be held in the Parish of Webster to authorize the continuation of an ad valorem tax therein.

**September 30, 2022
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SHERIFF'S SALE

LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC VS. MARK ELLIOTT PEARCE

In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. 80066

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LOT 38, HICKORY RIDGE ESTATES, A SUBDIVISION OF THE PARISH OF WEBSTER, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN CONVEYANCE BOOK 4 ON PAGE 40 OF THE RECORDS OF WEBSTER PARISH, LOUISIANA, TOGETHER WITH ALL BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS LOCATED THEREON; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

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the City of Minden Sewer Treatment Improvements Project. This project is located in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana. The purpose of the project is to rehabilitate its existing wastewater collection system to reduce inflow and infiltration as well as blockages which are causing overflows. The project includes rehabilitating the main sewer trunk lines. The target area is approximately 250 acres, with the wetland being adjacent to the target area on the southeastern part near Harris and Dianne St. Because the improvements are only being made inside the target area, there should not be any impact on the existing wetlands. The target area is located in the southeastern portion of Minden, Louisiana. The target area includes and is near Plum and Elwell St, Phillips and McCullen, Durwood St, Talton St., as well as Fort, Spanin, and Ida St. It is slightly to the west of Fincher Rd. and slightly to the east of Joel St. The entirety of the target area is located in Minden, Louisiana.

The City of Minden has considered the following alternatives and mitigation measures to be taken to minimize adverse impacts and to restore and preserve natural and beneficial values:

Alternative #1: Using another site would require new construction along with an unjustifiable increase in costs, materials, design, and acquisition.

Alternative #2: Construction modifications would require the least amount of funds while also contributing to the health and wellbeing of the citizens in Minden.

Alternative #3: Taking no action would adversely affect the existing wastewater lines and allow for larger blockages and overflows.

The City of Minden has reevaluated the alternatives to building near the wetland and has determined that it has no practicable alternative. Environmental files that document compliance with steps 3 through 6 of Executive Order 11988 and/or 11990, are available to 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 wetlands 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 about wetlands can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks 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 wetlands, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by the City of Minden at the following address on or before October 10, 2022: P.O. Box 580, Minden, LA 71058 (318) 377-2144 Attention: Michael Fluhr, City Clerk during the hours of 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM M-F at 520 Broadway Street, Minden, LA 71055.

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Small Ads Work

The Webster Parish School Board is posting an E-Rate Request for Proposal(RFP) for Category 2 products and services. You can access the RFP by going to www.websterpsb.org and navigating to Departments, Technology, E-Rate RFP

PUBLIC NOTICE
In accordance with HUD's Quality, Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 (H.R.4194), The Webster Parish Police Jury Office of Community Services will hold a public hearing for the development of the Annual Plan.

Comments, suggestions and/or recommendations will be accepted. The hearing will be held November 14, 2022 at 4:00 pm at Gleason Street, Minden, LA 71055

Webster Parish Police Jury Office of Community Services HUD Section 8 Program An Equal Opportunity Housing Program

**September 30, 2022
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PROCEEDING OF THE VILLAGE OF HEFLIN, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN IN REGULAR MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 8, 2022. The Hefflin Town Council met at Town Hall, Hefflin, Louisiana beginning at 7:55 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Todd Leake, council members Matt Austin, Ralph James, Police Chief Paul Miques, and Village Clerk Sherry Limosnero. Absent council member Hallie DeMoss and Water System Operator Jesse Williamson.

The meeting was opened with prayer offered by Ralph James and Matt Austin led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Todd Leake welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Upon motion by Matt Austin and duly seconded by Ralph James, the council adopted the Minutes from August 4, 2022 at Council Regular Meeting held on September 8, 2022 as presented; the motion was approved unanimously.

Ralph James moved to accept the August 4, 2022 Operating Financial Statements as presented; the motion was duly seconded by Matt Austin. The motion was approved unanimously.

Upon motion by Matt Austin and duly seconded by Ralph James, the council unanimously approved Water System Reports for August, 2022.

Ralph James moved to accept the August 4, 2022 Police Department Reports as presented; the motion was duly seconded by Matt Austin. The motion was approved unanimously.

Council comments were heard, public comments were heard. There being no further business to come before this Council, meeting adjourned by Council Member Ralph James.


Attest by: Sherry Limosnero LCMC, Village Clerk Respectfully posted: 09/27/2022 Adopted:

**September 30, 2022
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Environmental Section
PO Box 94245 | Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9245
ph: 225-242-4502 | fx: 225-242-4500

JOHN BEL EDWARDS, Governor
SHAWN D. WILSON, Ph.D., Secretary

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A series of Public Hearings will be held in accordance with LA R.S. 48:231 and conducted by the Joint Transportation, Highways and Public Works Committee. Below is a list of the times and places where the hearings will be held. The purpose of the hearings is to review highway construction priorities for the fiscal year 2023-2024. A copy of the Preliminary Program for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 will be available for review on October 1, 2022, by interested persons at the LADOTD Headquarters Building, 1201 Capitol Access Road, Room 200U, Baton Rouge, LA 70802 or online at http://www.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LADOTD/Divisions/Multimodal/Transportation_Planning/Highway_Priority/Pages/default.aspx

All interested persons are invited for the purpose of becoming fully acquainted with the proposed program and will be afforded an opportunity to express their views in person. Oral testimony may be supplemented by presenting important facts and documentation in writing. All interested parties will be able to listen to the meeting by ZOOM. The ZOOM information will be posted at the link above. Written statements and comments should be handed to the committee conducting the Hearing or mailed to the following address postmarked within 45 calendar days following the Hearing:

JOINT TRANSPORTATION, HIGHWAYS & PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
C/O LA DOTD (SECTION 85)
P.O. BOX 94245
BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-9245

Should anyone requiring special assistance due to a disability wish to participate in this public hearing, please contact LADOTD (Attn: Ms. Mary Elliott) by mail at the address above or by telephone at (225) 379-1218 at least five days prior to the date of the public hearing.

**LEGISLATIVE PUBLIC HEARINGS
FOR THE HIGHWAY PRIORITY CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM (2023-2024)**

Date & Time	DOTD District	Parishes	Location
October 26, 2022 10:00 am	58	Caldwell, Catahoula, Concordia, Franklin, LaSalle, Tensas	Franklin Media Center 7293 Prairie Road, Winnaboro
October 26, 2022 2:00 pm	05	B. Carroll, Jackson, Lincoln, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Richland, Union, W. Carroll	Monroe Civic Center Fort Miro-Madison Room 401 Lea Joyner Expressway, Monroe
October 27, 2022 8:30 am	04	Bienville, Bossier, Caddo, Claiborne, Desoto, Red River, Webster	Shreveport City Council Chambers 505 Travis Street, Shreveport
October 27, 2022 2:30 pm	08	Averyelles, Grant, Natchitoches, Rapides, Sabine, Vernon, Winn	Leesville City Council Chambers 508 South 5th Street, Leesville

**Publish: September 30, 2022
October 4, 2022
Minden Press-Herald**

Minden Housing Authority
1209 East Street
Minden, LA 71055
Phone: (318) 377-2707
Fax: (318) 639-9594
Email: cecily@mindenhousing.org

City Of Minden Section 8 Waiting List Applications for the city of Minden will be available **ONLINE ONLY** starting **Monday, October 3, 2022, and ending Thursday, November 3, 2022.** This is to get place on the waiting list only and for inside the city limits of Minden, LA. The website to apply is <https://mindentha.housingmanager.com/>

You must create an account online to apply!!

Cecily Young
Housing Specialist 4

MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE
Saturday 10/1
7am-noon
Sportsmans Church
281 Main Street in Doyline

RENTAL
3 bedroom / 2 bath for rent.
\$625/month \$300 deposit. Dixie Inn Country Living 377-7683

EMPLOYMENT
Seeking apartment maintenance person. Must know electrical, plumbing, HVAC. Send resume to P. O. Box 1339, Minden, LA 71058 to the attention management.

Attorney
PROBLEM CREDIT REPORT? Lexington Law helps works to challenge inaccurate negative items including identity theft, collections, late payments, liens and more from your credit report. Call for a free credit repair consultation: 1-888-521-0958 John C. Heath, Attorney at Law, PLLC, dba Lexington Law Firm. (LA-SCAN)

Finances
Do you owe over \$10,000 to the IRS or State in back taxes? Our firm works to reduce the tax bill or zero it out completely FAST. Let us help! Call 1-844-827-2674 (LA-SCAN)
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Be debt free in 24 to 48 months. No upfront fees to enroll. A+ BBB rated. Call National Debt Relief 1-844-932-4168. (LA-SCAN)

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