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FOOTBALL

APACHE PRIDE

Apaches continue winning streak beating out Homer for District 1-1A Champs

T. SCOTT BOATRIGHT
Minden Press-Herald

The enormity of the game could be seen by the overflow crowd at the stadium. Glenbrook took the state's best 14-game win into Thursday's night's home game against Homer with the District 1-1A at stake for the winner.

And after a hard-fought defensive slugfest, make it 15 straight victories as Glenbrook walked away with arguably its biggest win ever as the Apaches defeated defending state champion Homer 21-14 before an overflow crowd at Apache Stadium.

The win gave Glenbrook (9-0, 6-0) the District 1-1A crown while Homer fell to 6-3 and 4-1.

Only a year after joining the Louisiana High School Athletic Association and in its first year of LHSAA playoff eligibility, the Apaches showed

they will be a force to be reckoned with once the Division IV select school playoffs begin.

Glenbrook coach David Feaster knows the win was one of the biggest ever for his team.

"It's difficult to say, but probably pretty high up," Feaster said. "That's really probably best looked at through the eyes of the students — the athletes as well as the nonathletes. And the supporters. Glenbrook has never seen a crowd even close to anything we had this time."

"A year ago we played Homer (a 36-21 home loss) and they told me it was by far the biggest crowd ever at Glenbrook. And I told them that they had no idea what was coming. From 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. we were literally turning cars away. There was no place to park. The people were parking a

mile away and walking in. It was great."

The game was a defensive slugfest from the get-go.

Decked out in black jerseys and pants, the Apaches drove as deep as Homer's 17-yard line in the first quarter before turning the ball over on downs.

Glenbrook struck first in the second quarter when a Tre Kent interception helped set up a Ty Feaster quarterback option scoring scamper that put the Apaches up 7-0 with 4:04 remaining in the first half.

But Homer countered with a late second-quarter score to send the teams into the locker room tied 7-7 at half-time.

"It was maybe five minutes left in the first half when the interception gave us the ball back," Feaster said. "We went down and scored, and then they went down and scored. They chewed a lot of time off

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FEASTER



COURTESY PHOTOS

Glenbrook shows a packed out stadium for the win of the District 1-1A Championships with a winning score of 21-14 against the Homer Pelicans.



CRIME

Man burgles RV; leads police to possible thief's den

STAFF REPORT
Minden Press-Herald

A Minden man was arrested on Friday after he was witnessed stealing from an RV parked near Louisiana Fried Chicken.

Alexander Gonzalez, 24, was seen by the RV's owner taking items from said RV. The arrest record stated, "[The owner] witnessed a male with a ski mask on and a purple hoodie, later identified as Alexander Gonzalez, removing items from his property. [The owner] 'snuck' behind Gonzalez to prevent him from taking more items. The two struggled, and Gonzalez broke free. Gonzalez ran north through a trail that runs behind Magnolia Motel."

Police were dispatched to the site, and the investigation began.

The report continued: "[An officer] walked the trail and located all of the missing items except a Stihl chainsaw and battery. The trail ran around the Magnolia Motel and

led to the rear of room 110. A section of the wall was missing from the rear of the room. It was obvious some person was living in that room due to bedding and multiple items in the room, such as cell phones and a digital camera."

The officer continued to the abandoned fire station on Middle Landing, following the trail north. Gonzalez was located just north of the trail and south of Oakland Street, and was arrested.

The police checked with the Magnolia Motel to see if Gonzalez was authorized to use that room, and he was not. The owner of the RV was brought in to check for more stolen property, and he identified bedding and a hotplate that had been stolen, and he was able to produce photographs of those items inside his RV.

Whether or not Gonzalez was working alone or as part of a group is unknown. At first, Gon-

zalez denied taking any of the items: the ones found on the trail, the missing chainsaw and battery, or the bedding and hotplate.

"Gonzalez told me that he did enter room 110 of the Magnolia Motel without authorization and sleep there on 'Monday,'" the report stated. "Gonzalez told me that he did not remove the bedding and hotplate from the RV, that those items were already located in the room. Gonzalez stated that multiple people use that room."

Gonzalez did finally admit to taking the items found along the trail. "Gonzalez admitted post Miranda that he did take the Craftsman chainsaw, trimmer, Ditch Witch bag, and machete, which were recovered on the trail. Gonzalez did not admit to taking the battery and Stihl chainsaw, which were not recovered. It is possible they were stolen at a different time by a different person, however, this

can not be verified. [The owner] told me he was 100% positive the Stihl chainsaw and battery were located on site on 27 October, 2022."

While the bedding and hotplate were returned to the owner, the report stated, "It cannot be confirmed when those items were taken. Gonzalez told me he did not enter the RV and take those items, but they were already located in room 110."

Beyond all these items, the police collected three cell phones and a digital camera that may be stolen property.

Gonzalez was charged with theft, simple burglary, and unauthorized entry of an inhabited dwelling. He also had three active bench warrants through MCC for which he was arrested.

All defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

WPL

Minden Library Hosts 9th Annual Lawyers in Libraries



COURTESY PHOTO

Pictured are Sherburne Sentell Jr. and Sherburne "Sherb" Sentell III, both lawyers who participated in Lawyers in Libraries.

"Public libraries are natural starting points for people in search of information and services. Library staff can provide direction to available resources, but not legal advice. The Lawyers in Libraries program is a great benefit to patrons needing legal help, especially in areas without a legal aid office," stated Janetta Robinson, Webster Parish Libraries employee.

Thanks to the combined efforts of the LSBA, LSBA members, the State Library of Louisiana, LLA, Law Library of Louisiana, legal aid partners, local bar associations, and other community partners, the success of Lawyers in Libraries has only grown over the years. Since its launch in 2014, attorneys have assisted over 5,000 Louisianans and reached patrons in every parish in the state.



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WEBSTER & MORE

BLOTTER		
Recent Arrests in Webster Parish	failure to appear in court.	400 block of Sugar Creek Road, was arrested for driving while intoxicated first offense, driving under suspension, and chemical refusal.
	Ashley Shows, 36, of Bobby Young, 40, of the 400 block of Middle Road, was arrested for failure to appear in court.	
	Henry Kemp, 49, of the Misty Price, 40, of the 100 block of Dowell Lane, was arrested for failure to appear in court and resisting an officer.	Candice Smith, 40, of the 1900 block of highway 792, was arrested for being a fugitive of Caddo Parish.
	Shontesia Moore, 28, of the 800 block of E 4th Street, was arrested for failure to appear in court.	Steven Brown, 59, of the 6600 block of St. Vincent Ave, was arrested for failure to appear in court.
	Masalyn Harper, 56, of the 1600 block of Winfield Road, was arrested for theft and on a warrant.	Anthony Graves, 36, of the 400 block of Oak Street, was arrested for indecent behavior.
	Trey Turner, 37, of the 700 block of Gladney Street, was arrested for being a fugitive of the Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office.	Eric Wright, 19, of the 3100 block of Joslyn Street, was arrested for attempted second degree murder.
	Maurice Murphy, 33, of the 100 block of Katie Lane, was arrested for	Garland McDonald, 57, of the 1600 block of Jamaica Street, was arrested on a warrant.

POLITICS

Polls show Kennedy coasting to another term in Louisiana U.S. Senate race

(The Center Square) — U.S. Sen. John Kennedy is a slam dunk for reelection, significantly outpacing all competitors in both fundraising and public support.

While Kennedy's Democratic challengers are predicting a runoff following the Nov. 8 primary, an October poll and Kennedy's massive fundraising advantage ultimately make a Democratic Louisiana senator a highly unlikely prospect.

A Public Policy Polling survey of 633 likely voters conducted Oct. 10-11 found 53% planned to vote for Kennedy "if the election was today." Former fighter pilot Luke Mixon, a Democrat supported by Gov. John Bel Edwards, was backed by 16%, while communications consultant Gary Chambers garnered 8%. Democrat Syrita Steib received 6% support, and 14% were undecided.

Kennedy's 37-point lead in October is consistent with the only two other polls conducted on the race this year, a Echelon Insights survey of 506 likely voters that gave him a 35-point lead in September, and a JMC Analytics poll of 600 likely voters in March that showed the incumbent with a 39-point advantage.

Kennedy also dwarfs his competitors in fundraising, having raised about 10 times as much as his challengers combined.

Through Oct. 19, campaign finance reports show Kennedy raised more than \$38 million, and spent over \$26 million, leaving him with about \$13.5 million cash on hand — record numbers in Louisiana.

Mixon had the next highest total with about \$2 million raised, of which he's spent about \$1.7 million, leaving him with \$295,980, as of Oct. 19. Chambers raised \$1.6 million and spent more than he raised. Chambers reported \$54,500 cash on hand through the same date, according to Ballotpedia.

"I am humbled by the outpouring of support from folks across Louisiana," Kennedy said in a statement about his fundraising. "With inflation the highest it's been in 40 years, skyrocketing crime and energy prices through the roof, Louisianans know what is at stake. I promise to continue to fight for Louisiana and be a strong common-sense voice against the madness in Washington."

Political forecasters at FiveThirtyEight give Kennedy a 93% chance of returning to the Senate. The Cook Political Report rates the race "solid Republican."

Regardless, Mixon is forging ahead with television ad buys in the final weeks, while Chambers is laying off campaign staff and relying on a low-budget grassroots campaign.

Both men are predicting Kennedy will garner less than 50% of the vote on Nov. 8, which would trigger a run-off between the top two in the Dec. 10 general election.

"We are expanding our TV ads and (get out the vote) efforts statewide and launching radio ads ahead of early voting," Mixon told NOLA.com in a prepared statement. "Kennedy has hit a ceiling, our campaign is surging, and this race is heading to a runoff."

Like Mixon, Chambers believes voters will see his name alongside the incumbent on the December ballot.

"We're doing things that are helping us all over the state and on the ground," he told the news site. "The most important issue I'm talking about is having a government that works for everybody, not just some."

GAS BUDDY

Louisiana continues to see a decline

(October 31, 2022) - Average gasoline prices in Louisiana have fallen 7.2 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.24/g today, according to GasBuddy's survey of 2,436 stations in Louisiana. Prices in Louisiana are 17.0 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand 8.2 cents per gallon higher than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has declined 2.39 cents in the last week and stands at \$5.28 per gallon.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Louisiana was priced at \$2.88/g yesterday while the most expensive was \$3.91/g, a difference of \$1.03/g. The lowest price in the state yesterday was \$2.88/g while the highest was \$3.91/g, a difference of \$1.03/g.

The national average price of gasoline has fallen 4.7 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.72/g today. The national average is down 3.0 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 34.4 cents per gallon higher than a year ago, according to GasBuddy data compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country.

"For the third consecutive week, we've seen the national average price of gasoline decline, and while it's good news for most regions with a continued drop in prices, the Northeast is bucking the trend and seeing a noticeable jump due to tight supply," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. "The national average is closing in on the previous low from September, which was interrupted when refinery issues caused prices to skyrocket in the West and Great Lakes. With those issues addressed, the West has seen prices plummet, including a nearly 90 cent per gallon decline in California in less than a month. Compare that to the Northeast, where prices have jumped some 10-25 cents per gallon, demonstrating there's much regional diversity to current gasoline price trends. Add in diesel prices that remain high amidst extremely tight supply, and there's definitely some challenges that lie ahead."

GasBuddy is the authoritative voice for gas prices and the only source for station-level data. GasBuddy's survey updates 288 times every day from the most diverse list of sources covering nearly 150,000 stations nationwide, the most comprehensive and up-to-date in the country. GasBuddy data is accessible at <http://prices.GasBuddy.com>.

GOVERNMENT

Social Security announces 8.7 percent benefit increase for 2023

Special to the Minden Press-Herald

Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits for approximately 70 million Americans will increase 8.7 percent in 2023, the Social Security Administration announced today. On average, Social Security benefits will increase by more than \$140 per month starting in January.

The 8.7 percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) will begin with benefits payable to more than 65 million Social Security beneficiaries in January 2023. Increased payments to more than 7 million SSI beneficiaries will begin on December 30, 2022. (Note: some people receive both Social Security and SSI benefits). The Social Security Act ties the annual COLA to the increase in the Consumer Price Index as determined by the Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics.

"Medicare premiums are going down and Social Security benefits are going up in 2023, which will give seniors more peace of mind and breathing room. This year's substantial Social Security cost-of-living adjustment is the first time in over a decade that Medicare premiums are not rising and shows that we can provide more support to older Americans who count on the benefits they have earned," Acting Commissioner Kilolo Kijakazi said.

To view a COLA message from Acting Commissioner Kijakazi, please visit www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vgm5q4YT1AM.

Some other adjustments that take effect in January of each year are based on the increase in average wages. Based on that increase, the maximum amount of earnings subject to the Social Security tax (taxable maximum) will increase to \$160,200 from \$147,000.

Social Security and SSI beneficiaries are normally notified by mail starting in early December about their new benefit amount. The fastest way to find out their new benefit amount is to access their personal my Social Security account to view the COLA notice online. It's secure, easy, and people find out before the mail arrives. People can also opt to receive a text or email alert when there is a new message from Social Security--such as their COLA notice--waiting for them, rather than receiving a letter in the mail. People may create or access their my Social Security account online at www.ssa.gov/myaccount.

Information about Medicare changes for 2023 is available at www.medicare.gov. For Social Security beneficiaries enrolled in Medicare, their new higher 2023 benefit amount will be available in December through the mailed COLA notice and my Social Security's Message Center.

The Social Security Act provides for how the COLA is calculated. To read more, please visit www.ssa.gov/cola.

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OBITUARIES

Angie Sanders

Funeral services celebrating the life of Angie Sanders will be held Wednesday, November 2, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at Rose-Neath Funeral Home Chapel in Minden, Louisiana with Bro. Byron Longino and Julien Burns officiating. Interment will follow at Holly Springs Cemetery in Minden, Louisiana. The family will receive friends Tuesday, November 1, 2022, from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. at Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden.

She is survived by her loving, devoted husband, Robert Sanders of Minden; son, Joshua Lee Bibby of Tennessee; daughter, Kelly Wren and husband, Derickof Elm Grove; sisters, Sandy Pitman and husband, Roger of Minden and Robin Powell of Minden; brother, Tony

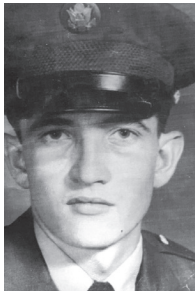
Brown and wife Barbara of Minden; and two grandchildren, Marrisa and Justin Pauley.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Irvin and Betty Brown and 2 brothers, Russell Brown and Michael Brown.

Angie spent most of her life as Homemaker and Care giver. She could always make you smile.

The family would like to thank Leslie Lakes Nursing Home and the staff where she received the best of care.

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211 Murrell Street
Minden, Louisiana 71055
(318) 377-3412



Richard Lee Miller

Funeral services for Richard Lee Miller will be held Saturday, November 5, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. at Rose-Neath Funeral Home in Minden, Louisiana with Pastor Cedrick P. Johnson and Pastor Nathan Richardson officiating. Interment will follow at Pleasant Valley Cemetery in Minden, Louisiana. The family will receive friends from 12:00 until 1:45 Saturday prior to the service.

Richard was born July 8, 1955, in Killeen, Texas and entered into rest October 29, 2022, in Minden, Louisiana. He served his country in the United States Army.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Felix and

Sarran Miller; sister, Dottie Pope; and brother, Felix Miller, Jr..

He is survived by his wife of 31 years, Lucille Delaney Miller; sons, Steven A. Miller, Chris Carlisle, and Preston D. Miller; daughters, Amanda McCain, Dawn Miller, and Charity Corbit; sisters, JoAnn Ray, Susie Day, and Patricia Stinson; brothers, Jessie Miller, James Miller, Donald Smith, and Lee Smith; eleven grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Joey Brazzle, Jeffrey Brazzle, Amos Delaney, Willie Delaney, John Kennon, Eli Maddox, Devron Carley, Fred Venus, Chris Bowers, and Tyler Bowers.

Honorary pallbearers will be Daniel Blackshire, Scott Day, James Miller, Charles Ray, and Kevin Wynne.

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Clarence E. Dykes

Funeral services celebrating the life of Clarence E. Dykes will be held Saturday, November 5, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. with Rev. Steve Gilley officiating. Interment will follow at Gardens of Memory in Minden, Louisiana.

Clarence was born August 6, 1929, in Converse, Louisiana and entered into rest October 22, 2022, in Min-

den, Louisiana.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Inez Dykes.

He is survived by his son Greg Dykes and wife Kelly of Katy, Texas; sister, Zula Mae Leggett of Jonesboro; grandchildren, Greg Dykes Jr and wife Nichollette and Bethany Dykes Horner and husband Andrew; and great-grandchildren, Asher and Judah Dykes.

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HEALTH

Orthopedic Specialists speak at Geaux Fresh

AMBER MCDOWN
Minden Press-Herald

Orthopedic Specialists of Louisiana held a seminar at Geaux Fresh in downtown Minden on Friday. The focus of the seminar was on ankles, shoulders, and knees.

Dr. Stephen Cox spoke about how arthritis affects the ankle and how ankle replacement surgery has evolved since the 1980s. He stated that arthritis caused by previous injuries was the leading cause of ankle replacements.

“80% people develop arthritis in their ankle because they’ve had a previous trauma — they’ve had a previous ankle fracture or they’ve had multiple ankle sprains at a younger age,” said Dr. Cox.

If you’ve ever experienced an ankle that is stiff when you first get up but that loosens up as you walk, you might have some arthritis in your ankle.

“When does ankle arthritis hurt?” asked Cox. “Well, mainly with activity, whether that’s walking activity or more strenuous activity. A lot of times people with arthritic pain notice a lot of start-up pain. They’ve been sitting, resting, doing something, and they get up and are like, ‘Wow. It takes me 10, 15, 30 steps to get going and then things loosen up,’ and then they do pretty good for a little while, and then as they do more and more it comes back. It’s a cycle of getting stiff then loosening up, and

then you get stiff again.”

There are a number of treatments to reduce the pain of arthritis including anti-inflammatories, physical therapy, and steroid treatments. If or when these fail to manage the pain, surgery is often an option.

“When is it time to think about surgery?” asked Cox. “For most people, you’ll know when it’s time to have surgery — when it affects your life enough from either the pain or the limitations on what you can do. Most of this is a quality of life issue. In my practice, the average age is probably about 58-60 when people get ankle replacements.”

While the ankle replacements of the 80s and 90s did not hold up well over time, the latest evolution in ankle-replacement technology has greatly improved with about 90% of people who received one 10 years ago still going strong.

Next, Dr. Andrew Patton spoke about shoulder surgery and knee replacements.

“The most common diagnosis [for shoulders] is probably a rotator cuff tear,” said Dr. Patton. “That’s the bulk of my shoulder practice. But a close second is arthritis.”

“What my job is, when you come in to see me, is to not only find out what the problem is but to educate you on why you have it and to give you the lay-of-the-land on moving forward,” said Patton. “Knowledge is what you

want so that everybody’s on the same page, and you know what your options are.”

Some things to look for are an inability to raise your arm above your head as well as having significant weakness in your arm. Initial treatments include anti-inflammatories, physical therapy, and activity modification. If these do not work, surgery may be an option.

Patton also discussed some causes of knee pain.

“Some of the most common causes of knee pain are patellofemoral syndrome (knee cap does not align properly with the femur), bursitis (inflammation of fluid-filled sack), IT band syndrome, and more traumatic injuries such as ACL tears and meniscus tears, as well as patellar tendonitis and osteoarthritis.”

Osteoarthritis is the gradual wearing down of cartilage over years. In a knee replacement, or any joint replacement, the joint’s surface or cartilage are replaced with metal and plastic. Orthopedic Specialists use CT scans to plan placement and other details of the new joint.

“One of the good things that we have is that we operate at a specialist hospital,” said Patton. “The nice thing about this is that everybody there is either an orthopedic patient or a spine patient. All of our staff are very familiar with the protocols of how we rehab our patients and how we work them up

ahead of time, so there’s no question of ‘what do we do with this.’ In addition, no one next door is having their gallbladder removed, so you’re decreasing your likelihood of infection. We have pretty much a trace infection rate; that’s one of the things we’re really proud of.”

Another thing they are proud of is how accessible they are. It is possible, if you have an acute injury, to be seen the same day you call. For issues that are less urgent, they still try to schedule patients within the week.

And for post-op issues, they’re only a phone call away as someone is always on-call.

“Every patient, post-op, has a number to call us,” said Patton. “It’s not like you need to go to your local ER. We actually prefer it if you let us know. Don’t be afraid to call.”

“If there’s a patient who needs to be seen, we’ll see them,” added Cox. “And if they need to be admitted, we’ll put them in the hospital. We don’t have an emergency room, but if someone happens to have an issue and they get admitted somewhere else, we can transfer them into our hospital.”

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OTHER OPINION

Biden closes out mid term election debate
with call for abortion and transgenderism

I sometimes believe that it would be difficult to be any more surprised about national developments, but I find I continue to be mistaken about that.

Early voting for the November midterm elections is well under way as Nov. 8th, Election Day, approaches. So, what has President Biden touted as his—and, derivatively, his Democrat Party—closing message to the American people before the election? What economic, domestic, or foreign policy achievement does he point to, to assist his party in their election efforts?

Abortion on demand for any reason up to and during the birth process, and without anesthetic to reduce the pain during the killing of innocent children; Transgenderism, including child genital mutilation without a parent's consent.

These are the two issues he's highlighted in the last two weeks.

Well, needless to say, they are not high on the list of voter priorities, but the President is desperate for any possible method of distracting voters from the reality they live every day.

He really doesn't have anything else.

Our nation is mired in the highest inflation since the Jimmy Carter Administration. Americans feel its crushing impact when they

go to the store for food, fill up their car with gas, try to keep up with their bills, review their depleted savings and the diminished value of their retirement pensions, as well as realizing their paycheck simply doesn't go as far.

While millions of Americans struggle with these rising costs right in front of them such as for food, gas, and child-care, they are also smart enough to know that inflation is the hidden but very real "Biden tax" they pay for every single economic activity, directly hurting them and their families. It is estimated that right now inflation is costing the typical American family \$276 more per month and roughly \$3,300 per year, numbers that will likely only rise.

Americans also haven't forgotten the Afghanistan Debacle and our government's gifting of \$87 billion in military hardware to the Taliban, the evil accomplices of al-Qaeda in the Sept. 11 attack on America.

Our nation also has not forgotten that while Pres. Biden properly called for

the defense of the borders of Ukraine, his Administration has never made an effort to stop the flood of illegals into our country on our southern border and the drugs (fentanyl is killing hundreds of Americans daily), theft, crime, terrorists, and human trafficking that accompany them.

What about public health and public safety concerns? What about the China Virus fears we've been suffocated with for over 2 years that have greatly restricted the personal and economic liberty of millions of Americans? There are still places in the U.S. that American citizens cannot go without a vaccine card and a mask. Yet, we allow unmasked unvaxed, unknown and unvetted individuals numbering millions to break into our country, violate our laws and become potentially super-spreaders in our communities.

Voters also, for example, reject the doomsday scenario and massive spending on Climate Change (referred to for generations as "weather") and the foolhardy attempt to eliminate fossil fuels. They realize that such a policy does nothing but increase the cost of energy and the rate of inflation to produce and transport goods and services to consumers.

Can the Climate Change religionists not recognize

that when you kill the U.S. oil and gas industry—and Pres. Trump had made America totally energy independent—you make America hostage to Russia and the Middle East for our energy needs? In so doing, you force Americans to pay more for foreign oil (because it's drilled and transported from overseas) that's less reliable (see the Russian invasion of Ukraine and the constant unrest in the Middle East)) when we could be producing it at home and building our own national economy and national security at the same time.

Also, has the Biden Administration ever really disavowed the stance of many of its supporters who demand the defunding of police? Is the President not aware that thought frightens millions of Americans in our crime-rampant cities?

So, no police and no gasoline. We'll just rely on the kindness and good nature of the criminals not to harm us, as we depend on the wind, when it blows, and the sun, when it shines, to produce the power necessary to dependably run America's enormous industrial society in 2022.

I believe a reckoning is coming in these mid-term elections.

ROYAL ALEXANDER IS A SHREVEPORT ATTORNEY.

OPINION

Oh the gift that God could give us, to see ourselves as others see us

The poet Robert Burns said "Oh the gift that God could give us, to see ourselves as others see us" which leads me to ask would we really want to know how others see us which may be up for further discussion" because there will always be people who pick on each other.

But for now I would like to ask what happens when we major in the minors, by that I mean when we pick on our spouses, our parents, our children or our friends for what we perceive as faults -- when we cannot back off and leave well enough alone --- when we keep on nit-picking at someone maybe we need to ask ourselves if this is what is really bugging us or is there a deep seated problem that we cannot articulate?

I am thoroughly convinced that there are many of us who could benefit from some deep soul searching or counseling to help us arrive at a mutually satisfying solution to problems that plague us, that keep

us awake day and night, when we cannot let go -- and just laugh at our own pettiness.

Though not a psychologist I think that many of our



SARAH HUDSON PIERCE

personal problems arrive from a lack of self-worth, from not feeling pretty enough or deeply loved by our friends and family -- of our spouses, so we criticize each other, trying to make them fit our mold of how we think people should behave.

Does any of this make sense to you?

It does to me. It is really hard to get to the root of our problems -- to learn to control our tongues, our actions and just learn to love each other unconditionally .

There's one thing I know for sure -- no one likes to be belittled or made to believe that "it's our way or the highway!"

I also believe that many of the crises that occur in churches, in work-places and in government often arise from problems within the home -- between husbands and wives.

We find it hard to see our problems for what they are .

We want to cast blame on someone else instead of letting well enough alone.

No one wants to be bossed around.

It doesn't set well with any of us!

We each deserve to do our own thing unless we infringe on someone's rights.

Maybe this is where many of these issues arise -- from someone feeling like that they are not being consulted in major decisions -- and of course most of these decisions seem to always come back to money.

Though only an arm chair

psychologist I find myself sometimes caught in the middle and just want to give a friend or loved one the idea that maybe counseling might be in order because it is most often hard to see the real root of our problems.

Harmony is so much more important than conflict.

I hope something I've said helps someone who reads my insights.

It's so much better to take care of those we have in our relationships than to cast care to the wind and not show understanding to those we cherish most.

It is like a good friend one time wrote "if you criticize your friends you will find yourself all alone."

That's some of the best advice I've heard.

Maybe we just need to ask God for wisdom.

We mostly want to just be loved unconditionally!

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OPINION

The Advocate: The Angola Plan for youth has been implemented

As last week started, officials from the Office of Juvenile Justice took some journalists on a tour of the new lockup on the grounds of the Louisiana State Penitentiary at Angola. The facility, where up to 24 of what officials believe are the state's most violent teenagers can stay, is just inside the entrance of one of the nation's most recognized penal institutions.

The officials said the youth detention system needs an overhaul, and that is happening, but some youths need to be moved to deal with safety elsewhere. Critics continue to say OJJ is at fault, failing to provide safe and secure facilities as well as necessary services — particularly the education and mental health services that would help young people turn away from the sort of situations that led them to be locked up in the

first place.

One official on the tour said youths could be moved to the Angola property in one or two weeks.

Two days later, officials announced that eight youth had been moved to the Angola building that once housed death row inmates. OJJ called it the "temporary West Feliciana Center for Youth." It is about 1 1/2 miles from the notorious adult prison on the sprawling Angola property.

In a statement, OJJ said four youth from the St. Martinsville-based Acadiana Center for Youth and another four from the Monroe-based Swanson Center for Youth had been relocated. Ten youth from the Bridge City Center for Youth were moved to the Monroe facility in Ouachita Parish.

There was no official fanfare

and no news conference. OJJ's statement said officials were contacting the youths' families and legal representatives to tell them about the moves.

Moving the youth to Angola became a controversial option only because a couple of dozen detained youth escaped from the Bridge City facility in a short few months, and one carjacked and shot a man in New Orleans before crashing the vehicle.

When Gov. John Bel Edwards announced the plan in the summer, he said the Angola building would be a "secure, independent housing unit." The governor promised that the youths would have no contact with adult inmates. He said they would get the services provided at the Bridge City Center.

Youth advocates and critics didn't believe the governor then. They don't believe him

now.

Angola is known by some as the Alcatraz of the South. It's the symbol of why Louisiana is known as the incarceration capital of the nation. It is a major contributor to the 2021 designation of the United States as the top incarceration nation, based on the number of prisoners per 100,000 residents.

Is it the right place for a juvenile-justice "campus," as Louisiana officially seeks to deal with the manifold problems of youth who have committed crimes?

Certainly, some adjudicated youth who are not cooperative, resistant to change and rehabilitation — or violent — need to be handled differently from those who understand that they are being detained because they did something wrong. OJJ's challenge is one of the hardest in government.

In an August editorial we said the Angola Plan was not a good idea and, at most, such a move should be temporary. We think that's still true. Angola was chosen for reasons of short-term pragmatism, including the availability of the building under pure state control and where escapes are virtually impossible.

Now that the move has happened, we hope the number of youth staying there will be limited and there will not be any contact with adult prisoners, as promised.

And we hope more permanent solutions are completed as soon as possible. Incarceration without rehabilitation is not a responsible policy for young people, whatever their offenses.

SPORTS

Robinson helps push Tide past Lions, 43-26

Senior RB runs into MSH record books with second straight 1,000-yard season

T. SCOTT BOATRIGHT
Minden Press-Herald

Entering the game needing a win to keep any play-off dreams alive, Minden High School and Crimson Tide schooling back Daylen Robinson took care of business Thursday night. Robinson became the first MHS rusher to break the 1,000-yard rushing barrier for two straight seasons as his 133-yard performance on 10 carries pushed the Tide to a 43-26 District 1-4A win over Booker T. Washington at W.W. Williams Stadium. Playing as one of the Crimson Tide's honorees on Senior Night, Robinson pushed his season rushing total to 1,026 yards, moving into third place on Minden's all-time career yards list behind the late Sammy Seamster and Raymond Tate. Seamster, who passed away in the spring of 2019, went on to play at LSU and had been the last Crimson Tide running back to record back-to-back 1,000 rushing seasons for Minden in 1986 and '87. Minden won big but trailed early, with BTW marching 60 yards on the opening drive to move on top 8-0 only 2:25 into the contest. But the Crimson Tide countered with an 18-yard scoring scamper by Robinson to cut the Lions' lead to 8-6 after the

two-point conversion kick attempt failed. Booker T. Washington pushed its advantage to 14-6 late in the first quarter before the Crimson Tide surged back with three straight rushing touchdowns - an 11-yarder by Cameron Mitchell, a three-yarder by Robinson and a 17-yard by quarterback Jakobe Jackson to move out to a 30-14 lead at intermission. Minden added a pair of second-half touchdowns on a 40-yard scoring strike from Jackson to Jaylin Williams with 3:25 remaining in the third quarter and a 18-yard run by Jackson at the 10:47 mark of the final stanza to build a 43-14 advantage before BTW added a pair of late scores. Jackson finished with 88 rushing yards while completing six-of-nine passes for 100 yards. Minden, 3-6 overall and 2-4 in District 1-4A, will close out regular-season play next week at Woodlawn-Shreveport, which also stands at 3-6 and 2-4 after losing 40-0 Friday night at Northwood. The Crimson Tide will need a win next week along with a lot of help to reach the Division II Select School playoffs. Minden currently stands at No. 33 in GeauxPreps.com's power rankings heading into the final week of the season.



Minden's Daylen Robinson (4) has now turned in back-to-back 1,000-yard rushing season and ranks No. 3 on the Tide's all-time rushing record books.

Knights nab first win of season

Calvalry Baptist dominates in 63-0 victory over Lakeside

T. SCOTT BOATRIGHT
Minden Press-Herald

North Webster scored on the opening play of scrimmage Thursday night as North Webster picked up its first win of the season by going on the road and defeating Bastrop 41-22. Braedon Robertson's 65-yard scoring scamper gave the Knights a 7-0 lead right off the back before adding a touchdown pass from Collin McKenzie to Xander Thompson for an early 14-0 lead. Cooper Sanders added a pair of touchdown runs for North Webster

while J'Kobe Lawson hauled in a bomb from McKenzie for another Knights' score. A defensive fumble recovery return to paydirt closed out scoring for North Webster (0-9), who will close out regular season play at home on Friday against winless Lafayette Renaissance Charter Academy (0-6), a school playing its first year of football. **Calvary Baptist 63, Lakeside 0** SHREVEPORT — The Lakeside Warriors knew they were running into a juggernaut Thursday night at Calvary Baptist, and the Cavaliers took care

of business by jumping on top early en route to a dominating win. James Simson led the way with three rushing touchdowns for the Cavs. Lakeside (4-5, 0-4 in District 1-2A) will close out regular-season play at home against Green Oaks (2-7, 0-4), which fell at home 28-14 to D'Arbonne Woods Friday night. The Warriors stand at No. 29 in GeauxPreps.com's Division III Nonselect School power rankings, meaning Lakeside will need significant help from other outcomes next week to squeeze into postseason play.



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Week 7 Football Picks winners

- First: Carla B. Key
Second: Ragan Hoenke
Third: Collin Gregg

WEEK 10 GEAUXPREP.COM'S PLAYOFF POWER RATINGS

Minden Division II Nonselect	33rd (3-6)
N. Webster Division III Nonselect	38th (1-8)
Lakeside Division III Nonselect	29th (4-5)
Glenbrook Division IV Select	Seventh (9-0)

G-Men victorious, Bulldogs beaten at FIU

GRAMBLING (AP) — Maurice Washington led a committee of running backs with 69 yards and a touchdown and Grambling beat Alcorn State 35-6 on Saturday. Washington, Floyd Chalk IV and Chance Williams were part of a ground attack in which each reached the end zone. Quarterback Julian Calvez also ran one in for the G-Men.

The win ended a five-game losing streak for Grambling (2-6, 1-4 Southwestern Athletic Conference). That losing skid was the Tigers' longest losing streak since dropping eight straight in their 1-11 campaign in 2013. Alcorn State (3-5, 2-3) has dropped three consecutive following a three-game win streak.

FIU, 34, LA Tech 34 (2 OT) MIAMI (AP) — Grayson James threw three touchdown passes, Lexington Joseph had a 1-yard touchdown run in the second overtime and Florida International beat Louisiana Tech on Friday night. Louisiana Tech's Landry Lyddy threw an incomplete pass on fourth-and-10 to end it.

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Daylen Robinson
RB, Minden High School

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The Press-Herald Athlete of the Week feature is brought to you every other Friday by Holcomb's Body Shop in Minden.

Apaches (continued from page 1)

the clock early. We had only two or three possessions in the first half. "So when we walked back out on the field at the end of halftime, it felt like we were walking out to finish the world championship. It had come down to this." The defensive battle continued in the second half, with the Apaches going back on top 14-7 on a two-yard touchdown run by Maddox Mandino with 8:00 remaining in the third

stanza. Glenbrook had a chance to take a two-score lead a little later but missed on a 42-yard field goal attempt. Homer countered on the ensuing drive and tied the game at 14-14 on a five-yard run by Andrevious Buggs with 45 seconds left in the third quarter. Glenbrook moved back out in front with 8:24 remaining as Feaster fired a 15-yard touchdown strike to Mandino for the game's final score, giving the

Apaches the 21-14 advantage. Homer took over at midfield with a little less than two minutes remaining, but Glenbrook's final of numerous sacks in the game on the final play sent the Apache Nation into celebration mode. "We had some opportunities to put them away early. I didn't do a very good job of calling. We had chances but never got up by two scores. We missed a field goal that could have

put us up by 10, we had stalled drives that could have put us up by 14. "So it went down to the last play of the game. The defense just had to hang on and hold them off. Our defense played extremely physical. It was amazing." Glenbrook will close out 2022 regular-season play next week as the Apaches play host to River Oaks, which stands at 2-7 and 0-4 after falling 54-6 at home Friday night to St. Frederick.



CRYPTO FUN

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to getting organized.
Each number corresponds to a letter.
(Hint: 26 = R)

A. 12 26 7 19 26 4 25

Clue: Methodically arranged

B. 23 19 16 11

Clue: Tidy

C. 24 12 26 11

Clue: Categorize

D. 12 26 15 16 23 1 6 19

Clue: Order

Answers: A. orderly B. neat C. sort D. organize

SUDOKU

Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

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Level: Intermediate

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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7	8	4	9	2	5	1	3	6
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In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. 80252

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-OUT the benefit of appraisal and according to law at the principal front door of the Court-house in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana on WEDNESDAY, December 7, 2022, During the legal sale hours, the following property, to wit:

The property described in the Act of Mortgage is described as follows:

Lot 1, Block 3, New Dixie Heights Subdivision, a subdivision of Webster Parish, Louisiana, as per plat recorded in Map Book 2, Page 19 of the Conveyance Records of Webster Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon.

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In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. 80108

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Lot #33, Dickens Subdivision, Unit #1, located in the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 27, Township 19 North, Range 9 West, 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, in Map Book 3, Page 85.

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Linda Vaughan - Deputy

November 2, 2022 November 30, 2022 Minden Press-Herald

SHERIFF'S SALE

U.S. BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO WACHOVIA BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO FIRST UNION NATIONAL BANK AS TRUSTEE FOR MID-STATE TRUST X VS. WESLEY T. MCEACHERN A/K/A WESLEY MCEACHERN AND BROOKE MCEACHERN

In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. 79991

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 Court-house in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana on WEDNESDAY, December 7, 2022, During the legal sale hours, the following property, to wit:

Beginning at a point 1,245 feet East of the Southwest Corner of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 20 North, Range 9 West, Webster Parish; Louisiana, in the center of the black-top road, thence run North 210 feet to the point of beginning; thence continue North 340 feet; thence run West 164 feet; thence run South 340 feet; thence run East 164 feet to the point of beginning, together with all improvements located thereon and all rights thereto belonging.

And the following servitude or easement for the purpose of ingress and egress and utility service.

Beginning at a point 1215.00 feet East of the Southwest corner of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 20 North Range 9 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana in the center of the black top road; Thence run North 550.00 feet; run thence East 30.00 feet; run thence South 550.00 feet; to the center of the black-top road; thence run West 30.00 feet; to the point of beginning.

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.

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Linda Vaughan - Deputy

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Village of Dixie Inn Special Session October 26, 2022

NOTICE: THESE MINUTE HAVE NOT BEEN FORMALLY APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.

The Mayor and Board of Alderman for the Village of Dixie Inn met in Special Session on October 26, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, Dixie Inn, Louisiana with the following members present: Mayor Donna Hoffoss, Aldermen Judy McKenzie, and Lance Milligan.

The meeting was called to order.

There were no public comments.

Mayor Donna Hoffoss welcomed guests.

New Business:

A motion was made by Judy McKenzie, and seconded by Lance Milligan, to pay possible new police officer a salary of \$14.50 per hour, and \$15.00 per hour, upon completion of academy training.

A motion was made by Lance Milligan, and seconded by Judy McKenzie, to adopt Resolution 05-10242022 for Dana James.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Judy McKenzie, and seconded by Lance Milligan. Vote on the motion was unanimous.

Attest:

Donna Hoffoss Mayor

RESOLUTION NO 05-10242022

A RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL PAY OF COMPENSATORY HOURS,AND ONE-HALF (1/2) OF SICK LEAVE DAYS, ACCUMULATED BUT NOT USED, FOR DANA JAMES

WHEREAS, the Village of Dixie Inn previously paid a full-time employee for one-half (1/2) of Sick leave days, accumulated but not used, although said employee had not been permanent for the ten (10) consecutive years required as stated in Ordinance #71-F, and

WHEREAS. This has been deemed an oversite by the Mayor and Council, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor and Council feel that Dana James is deserving and entitled to pay for compensatory hours and one-half (1/2) of the thirty-six (36) days she has not used

of sick time, which she earned and accumulated since her hire date of January 23,2017. Dana James is separating from employment with the Village of Dixie Inn under honorable circumstances.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Mayor and Council will follow Ordinance #71-F and/or any amendments concerning this matter in the future.

The aforesaid resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: 2, NAYS: 0, ABSENT: 0, ABSTAIN: 0

WHEREUPON, the resolution was declared adopted on 26th day of October, 2022.

Donna Hoffoss, Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, Alicia Ware, Clerk for the Village of Dixie Inn herby certify that the above constitutes a True and accurate copy of a Resolution, which UPON MOTION of Lance Milligan

And seconded by Judy McKenzie, was adopted by the following Yea and Nay vote:

YEAS: 2, NAYS: 0, ABSENT: 0, ABSTAIN: 0

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Town of Cotton Valley - Town Hall
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through December 2023

Proposed

	Jan - Dec 23	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
41400 · Ad Valorem Tax Income	0.00	40,500.00	-40,500.00	0.0%
41403 · Beer Tax	0.00	140.00	-140.00	0.0%
41404 · Beer License	0.00	545.00	-545.00	0.0%
41406 · Fines & Bonds	0.00	141,000.00	-141,000.00	0.0%
41408 · Franchise Tax LP&L & SW Nat	0.00	15,000.00	-15,000.00	0.0%
Total Income	0.00	197,185.00	-197,185.00	0.0%
Expense				
60050 · Ad Valorem Collection Fee	0.00	2,799.96	-2,799.96	0.0%
60000 · Advertiaing and Promotion	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%
60100 · Alderman Expense	0.00	6,000.00	-6,000.00	0.0%
60200 · Audit Expense	0.00	6,175.00	-6,175.00	0.0%
61702 · Contract Labor	0.00	5,900.00	-5,900.00	0.0%
62500 · Dues and Subscriptions	0.00	1,150.00	-1,150.00	0.0%
62800 · Fuel	0.00	15,000.00	-15,000.00	0.0%
63100 · Insurance Expense	0.00	44,000.00	-44,000.00	0.0%
63410 · Legal	0.00	3,000.00	-3,000.00	0.0%
64200 · Mayor Expense	0.00	7,800.00	-7,800.00	0.0%
64900 · Office Supplies	0.00	5,600.00	-5,600.00	0.0%
65000 · Payroll Expenses	0.00	94,000.00	-94,000.00	0.0%
65500 · Payroll Taxes	0.00	13,000.00	-13,000.00	0.0%
66050 · Patrol Car Expense	0.00	5,000.00	-5,000.00	0.0%
66391 · Police Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	650.00	-650.00	0.0%
66200 · Coroner Expense	0.00	400.00	-400.00	0.0%
66275 · Police Office Expense	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0.0%
66300 · Police Salaries	0.00	85,000.00	-85,000.00	0.0%
66380 · Police Uniforms	0.00	120.00	-120.00	0.0%
66390 · Police Supplies	0.00	200.00	-200.00	0.0%
66810 · Printing & Reproductions	0.00	1,500.00	-1,500.00	0.0%
66850 · Prisoner Housing	0.00	350.00	-350.00	0.0%
66700 · Professional Fees	0.00	9,000.00	-9,000.00	0.0%
67125 · Repairs and Maintenance	0.00	120.00	-120.00	0.0%
67300 · Telephone & Pager Expense	0.00	5,300.00	-5,300.00	0.0%
68400 · Travel Expense	0.00	14,500.00	-14,500.00	0.0%
68450 · Uniforms	0.00	725.00	-725.00	0.0%
68950 · Utility Salaries	0.00	30,000.00	-30,000.00	0.0%
68999 · Utilities	0.00	7,000.00	-7,000.00	0.0%
Total Expense	0.00	367,289.96	-367,289.96	0.0%
Net Ordinary Income	0.00	-170,104.96	170,104.96	0.0%
Other Income/Expense				
Other Income				
90000 · Other Income	0.00	6,500.00	-6,500.00	0.0%
Total Other Income	0.00	6,500.00	-6,500.00	0.0%
Net Other Income	0.00	6,500.00	-6,500.00	0.0%
Net Income	0.00	-163,604.96	163,604.96	0.0%

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Accrual Basis

Town of Cotton Valley - Utilities
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through December 2023

Proposed

	Jan - Dec 23	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
40000 · Water & Sewer Sales	0.00	442,000.00	-442,000.00	0.0%
40100 · Bulk Water Sold	0.00	6,500.00	-6,500.00	0.0%
Total Income	0.00	448,500.00	-448,500.00	0.0%
Expense				
62100 · Contract Labor	0.00	15,000.00	-15,000.00	0.0%
62700 · Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	4,000.00	-4,000.00	0.0%
63000 · Fuel Expense	0.00	6,400.00	-6,400.00	0.0%
63100 · Insurance Expense	0.00	21,000.00	-21,000.00	0.0%
63250 · Materials & Supplies	0.00	14,000.00	-14,000.00	0.0%
66500 · Postage & Delivery	0.00	3,285.00	-3,285.00	0.0%
67200 · Repairs & Maintenan...	0.00	20,000.00	-20,000.00	0.0%
68200 · Trash Services	0.00	83,000.00	-83,000.00	0.0%
68600 · Utilities Expense	0.00	38,000.00	-38,000.00	0.0%
Total Expense	0.00	204,685.00	-204,685.00	0.0%
Net Ordinary Income	0.00	243,815.00	-243,815.00	0.0%
Other Income/Expense				
Other Income				
75000 · Other Income	0.00	11,000.00	-11,000.00	0.0%
Total Other Income	0.00	11,000.00	-11,000.00	0.0%
Net Other Income	0.00	11,000.00	-11,000.00	0.0%
Net Income	0.00	254,815.00	-254,815.00	0.0%

October 28, 2022
November 2, 2022
November 9, 2022
November 16, 2022
November 23, 2022
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2023 PROPOSED BUDGET-WEBSTER PARISH
POLICE JURY-PUBLIC HEARING: December 6, 2022 at 10:30am

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DESCRIPTION	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE	BUDGET YEAR
	FUNDS	GRAND TOTALS	
REVENUE:			
TAXES	\$ 925,000.00	\$ 4,900,000.00	\$ 5,825,000.00
LICENSE & PERMITS	\$ 270,650.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 295,650.00
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE			
FEDERAL FUNDS		\$ 2,900,000.00	\$ 2,900,000.00
STATE FUNDS	\$ 1,915,500.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 2,015,500.00
OTHER FUNDS			
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 18,100.00	\$ 48,100.00
FINES AND FORFEITURES		\$ 232,600.00	\$ 232,600.00
USE OF MONEY	\$ 254,320.00	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 267,820.00
OTHER REVENUE	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 574,000.00	\$ 604,000.00
LIBRARY REVENUE		\$ 4,744,107.00	\$ 4,744,107.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 3,425,470.00	\$ 13,507,307.00	\$ 16,932,777.00
OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 400,000.00
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ 2,015,507.00	\$ 1,422,749.00	\$ 3,438,256.00
TOTAL REVENUE, FUND BALANCE, AND TRANSFERS IN:	\$ 5,540,977.00	\$ 15,230,056.00	\$ 20,771,033.00
EXPENDITURES			
LEGISLATIVE	\$ 225,240.00	\$ 897,800.00	\$ 1,123,040.00
JUDICIAL	\$ 940,310.00		\$ 940,310.00
ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCE	\$ 1,183,600.00	\$ 172,758.00	\$ 1,356,358.00
ELECTIONS	\$ 77,779.00		\$ 77,779.00
PUBLIC SAFETY/CORRECTIONS	\$ 594,980.00	\$ 857,000.00	\$ 1,451,980.00
HEALTH & WELFARE	\$ 437,261.00	\$ 70,500.00	\$ 507,761.00
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 28,000.00	\$ 604,425.00	\$ 632,425.00
PUBLIC WORKS		\$ 3,884,400.00	\$ 3,884,400.00
LIBRARY		\$ 5,263,954.00	\$ 5,263,954.00
LIBRARY DEBT SERVICE		\$ 250,444.00	\$ 250,444.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 3,287,170.00	\$ 12,001,281.00	\$ 15,288,451.00
Reserve	\$ 2,253,807.00	\$ 3,228,775.00	\$ 5,482,582.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES, RESERVES, ETC.	\$ 5,540,977.00	\$ 15,230,056.00	\$ 20,771,033.00
Individual fund balances for the proposed budget may be reviewed in the office of the Secretary-Treasurer			

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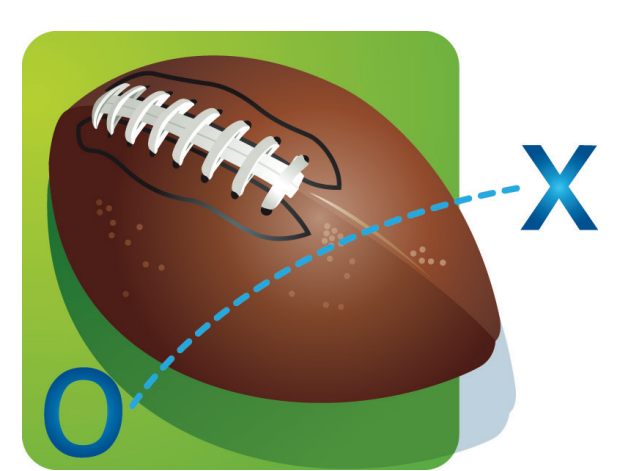
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GOVERNMENT

Louisiana attorney sues Biden administration over student loan forgiveness plan

(The Center Square) — A Louisiana attorney, assisted by a local policy group, is suing President Joe Biden over his student loan forgiveness plan. The lawsuit, filed by Tommy Badeaux in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana in New Orleans with the Pelican Center for Justice and the Pelican Institute for Public Policy, accuses the administration of forgoing the separation of powers required by the U.S. Constitution by forgiving billions in outstanding student loan debt without action from Congress. The lawsuit says that the Higher Education Relief Opportunities for Students Act of 2003, which was intended to provide student loan relief connected with military members involved in the Global War on Terror, was not intended to provide wholesale debt relief. It also says that there was no public comment period, which is required after any preliminary regulatory action is posted in the Federal Register under the U.S. Administrative Procedures Act. The attorneys in the case say that even though

there have been several lawsuits filed against the Biden administration's action on student loans on different grounds, their argument has an important legal combination on both the constitutional question and the Administrative Procedures Act. "We believe very strongly in the legal argument for making both on the Administrative Procedure Act grounds and the constitutional grounds," said James Baehr, the founder and special counsel for the Pelican Center for Justice. "Some of the other cases haven't focused as much on the constitutional grounds or as much on the administrative procedure grounds and I think that ours accomplishes both." Badeaux is seeking a judgment setting aside the Biden loan forgiveness plan, a declaratory judgement that declares the debt cancellation unconstitutional and that his rights under the U.S. Administrative Procedures Act were violated, an injunction prohibiting the Biden administration from enacting its student loan debt cancellation policy and attorneys' fees. The lawsuit also cites a

memo from then-General Counsel of the U.S. Department of Education, Reed Rubenstein, which said in January 2021 that the Secretary of Education didn't have the "statutory authority to provide blanket or mass cancellation, compromise, discharge, or forgiveness of student loan principal balances, and/or to materially modify the repayment amounts or terms thereof, whether due to the COVID-19 pandemic or for any other reason." The lawsuit also cites statements by House

Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Ca., and President-Elect Biden that both agreed that action by Congress was required to forgive or amend student debt obligations. "The Supreme Court likes to say that we don't hide elephants in mouse holes, meaning that whenever someone, whatever branch of government, is granted with authority to act, we don't hide it there. We want it to be obvious," Pelican Institute General Counsel Sarah Harbison said. "It's an important part of

the separation of powers. And just like with the OSHA vaccine mandate lawsuit and with the Head Start vaccine and masking mandate, the administration pointed to obscure rules in OSHA and in the Head Start program, that has to do with air quality for example." Badeaux's lawsuit won't be the first time the Biden administration's student loan debt cancellation plan was challenged in court. The program is on hold after the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals applied a temporary in-

junction on Oct. 21 after a lower court ruled against six state attorneys generals who sued to stop the plan. "Kudos to Tommy, it's a hard thing to stand up and sue the government," Pelican Institute CEO Daniel Erspamer said. "But when they do wrong, when they don't follow the rules, when, you know, certainly even as you notice, the president said this should go through Congress. Somebody has to stand up and say, 'This isn't right.'"

EDUCATION

Scores of Louisiana fourth and eighth graders decline

(The Center Square) – Louisiana students followed a national trend of declining test scores on the National Assessment of Educational Progress, though fourth-graders improved reading proficiency by 2 percentage points. The NEAP, known as the Nation's Report Card, is conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics to measure the math and reading performance of a representative sample of students in fourth and eighth grades. The test is typically conducted every two years, but was delayed from 2021 to winter 2022 because of the COVID-19 pandemic. The results released on Monday show the percentage of Louisiana fourth graders scoring proficient in reading improved from 55% in 2019 to 57% in 2022 after eight years with no gains. The improvement compared to a 3% decline nationally, making Louisiana one of only two states that improved fourth-grade reading scores, according to the Louisiana Department of Education. "I want to thank our teachers for their efforts through the pandemic and multiple hurricanes," Louisiana Superintendent of Education Cade Brumley said. "This is not a 'jump for joy' moment because we still want to get better; however, they show our strategy for academic recovery and acceleration is working." The percentage of Louisiana fourth graders who tested proficient in math declined by 2 points, compared to a 5-point national decline, while eighth-grade math scores dropped by 6 points, 2 points better than the 8-point decline nationally. Proficiency rates stood at 27% for fourth-grade math, 28% for fourth-grade reading, 27% for eighth-grade reading, and 19% for eighth-grade math. "The progress our fourth graders made in reading is a testament to Louisiana's educators for embracing our fundamental shift in how we teach students to read," said Jenna Chiasson, deputy superintendent of teaching and learning. "We've set ambitious goals for our children and these results are a step in the right direction." While Louisiana students' reading and math scores did not decline

as quickly as students in other states, their scores remain below the national average for both grades and subjects. The average score of 229 out of 500 for fourth-grade math in Louisiana was 6 points behind the national average of 235, while the 212 average score for fourth-grade reading was 4 points behind the national average of 216. The national average for eighth-grade math scores was 273, compared to a Louisiana average of 266, and the 257 average score for eighth-grade reading was 2 points behind the national average score of 259. In all but fourth-grade reading, Louisiana's student scores are lower or not significantly different than in 2019. "While Louisiana's fourth-grade reading growth on NAEP is encouraging, we cannot celebrate an 'increase' in national rankings just because Louisiana drops in student achievement weren't as severe as other states," Pelican Institute CEO Daniel Erspamer said. "The fact is that Louisiana student achievement is down substantially in fourth-grade math, eighth-grade reading, and eighth-grade math. "We have to get serious about helping our teachers and students reverse learning loss and getting our kids back on a strong educational path," he said. "Over half of the federal education recovery dollars remain unspent. It's time to put those resources to good use in the classroom and directly for student supports." Nationally, math scores for both grades dropped by the largest amount on record, while reading scores fell by 3 points for both grades. U.S. Education Secretary Miguel Cardona described the NAEP results as "appalling, unacceptable, and a reminder of the impact that this pandemic has had on our learners. "The data also represent a call to action for the important work we must do now for our students – especially those who have suffered the most during the pandemic," he said. Cardona said the U.S. Department of Education "will launch a new, expert-led series on the most promising tools to raise the bar and accelerate students' learning in math and literacy" in the coming days.

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