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AIRPORT

Minden Airport to host SHARKS Annual Jet Rally

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The Shreveport Area Radio Kontrol Society (SHARKS) is set to soar as they host their annual Jet Rally at the Minden Airport from Thursday to Saturday, October 19-21. This event promises an exhibition of radio controlled model aircraft for enthusiasts and curious spectators alike.



BURDEAUX

As a devoted club within the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA), SHARKS brings together individuals with a passion for radio controlled model aircraft. The Minden Airport graciously lends its airfield for this event, offering a platform for these R/C aficionados to showcase their skills and high-flying machines.

"We just shut down the airfield for a few days and let them play with their expensive toys," remarked Steven Burdeaux, airport manager. "It's good fun for them and fun for the community if they want to check it out too."

The intricate world of

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FUNDRAISING



Seeds Women's Center held its annual fundraising banquet at the Minden Civic Center on October 12 with the aim of moving into a larger facility. The center has seen an 86% increase in demand over the past year.

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On October 12, Seeds Women's Center held its annual fundraising banquet at the Minden Civic Center, aiming to move into a larger facility in response to an 86% increase in demand over the past year. The center, a vital resource for pregnant individuals, provides free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, par-

enting classes, adoption counseling, and reproductive health and loss counseling.

Over the last year, the center has witnessed a substantial rise in the utilization of their services, with a total of 335 client visits and 320 individuals served. Among the services provided, 214 pregnancy tests were administered, along with 308 ultrasounds. Moreover, 92

individuals enrolled in parenting classes, and 5 fathers successfully completed the Navigating Fatherhood course. The center also operates a boutique stocked with baby items, accessible to clients through earned points from their Learn to Earn online parenting class.

Amber Bradford, the director of Seeds Women's Center, expressed aspirations to move to a

larger facility to accommodate their growing clientele. The downpayment for the new building is estimated at \$25,000. Currently, the center expends \$10,800 annually in rent for their existing space, with utilities amounting to approximately \$8,000 per year. Additional costs include medical supplies, maintenance, and insur-

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RESULTS

Election Results for Webster Parish

WILL PHILLIPS
Minden Press-Herald

Below are the results for the exclusively local elections pertaining to Webster Parish that occurred during the October 14th election:

In the race for Webster Parish Assessor, Denise Edwards won with 65.33% (4,877) of the vote.

In the race for Police Juror of District 3, Daniel G. Thomas won with 70.86% (394) of the vote.

In the race for Police Juror of District 5, "Mike" Griffith won with 66.48% (476) of the vote.

In the race for Police Juror of District 8, Nancy Hines won with 60.96% (367) of the vote

In the race for Police Juror of District 10, Latanya "Tan" Grigsby won with 67.30% (463) of the vote.

In the race for Aldermen of the Town of Cullen Lacandy Gipson won with 52.85% (65) of the vote.

Below are the results of the wider state and district races that took place in the election:

In the race for Louisiana Governor, Jeff Landry won with 51.56% (547,828) of the vote.

In the race for Lieutenant Governor, William "Billy" Nungesser won with 65.52% (678,521) of the vote.

In the race for Secretary of State, no candidate won a majority of over 50% of the vote, so the top two candidates who received the most votes will advance to a

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COMMUNITY

Webster Parish Tourism Board approves advertising grants and plans for tourist attraction enhancements

STAFF REPORT
Minden Press-Herald

The Webster Parish Convention and Visitors Commission Board convened for their routine bi-monthly meeting at City Hall on September 27, focusing on bolstering local events through advertising grants. The board greenlit several grants to support upcoming events in Webster Parish.

As of their July meeting, the commission has already allocated \$16,794 in grant funds this year to local festivals and events for advertising endeavors. Over the past decade, they've collectively granted a substantial \$1,061,000 for advertising, showcasing a commitment to boosting the local event scene.

Event organizers are encouraged to list their upcoming events on the Webster Parish Tourism

website at www.visit-webster.net, facilitating broader outreach and participation.

In addition to advertising grants, the Tourism Department has been diligently exploring strategies to enhance tourism and maintain local tourist attractions. Initiatives include potentially adding a trail marker to the African American Heritage Trail, a project under the Louisiana Office of Tourism. They're also in the process of receiving grants from Keep LA Beautiful to install trash cans at Miller Quarters and the kayak launches. Collaborations with the Dorcheat Museum for hayrides during the Holiday Trail of Lights, acquisition of more Christmas decorations for the downtown area, and finalizing plans for a new kayak launch

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FAIR



Artisans showcased their handmade goods at the 5th annual Minden Maker's Fair on Saturday.

Minden Maker's Fair showcases artisans

AMBER MCDOWN
Minden Press-Herald

The 5th annual Minden Maker's Fair took place at the Farm of Cultural Crossroads on Saturday, October 14th. Artisans showcased their handmade goods, and culinary artists tantalized visitors with an array of delectable

treats, accompanied by various food vendors.

The event featured a number of demonstrations that enriched the fairgoers' experience:

Pottery by Mandie Ebarb

Glass Blowing by Ivy Woods

LSU AgCenter Webster and Claiborne Parish Nutrition Education

Free Make & Take art, courtesy of Webster Parish Libraries

Minden Jiu Jitsu Demonstrations and coloring station by LBBA Kickboxing & Jiu Jitsu

Live art installation by James Marks

Attendees also had the opportunity to en-

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MINDEN LIONS

Jason Ogwyn of the Minden Foundation speaks at Lions Club

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Minden Press-Herald

Jason Ogwyn of the Minden Foundation was the guest speaker at the noon Minden Lions Club on October 12. Ogwyn has family ties in Ada Taylor that keep him close to Minden. After 18 years working in the hunting industry, Ogwyn now works in the oil industry.

Ogwyn has been on the board of the Minden Foundation for the past five years. Ogwyn noted a number of similarities between the Lions Club and the Minden Foundation.

"I think that to become a Lion you have to have that lionheart, that atti-

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WEBSTER & MORE

NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM

A Labor of Love: Building a History of MHS Football

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Mark Chreene and Jake Chapman are well known for their local reporting of Minden High School football games on the KBEF radio station. What may be lesser known is their work compiling a detailed record book of statistics referencing Minden High School football games dating back all the way to the early 1900s. A self-proclaimed labor of love, the work that they put into finding and recording even the earliest of the Minden High School football team's exploits is all to keep alive the history of the sport and team that they love so much.

On Monday evening at the Dorcheat Museum, both of them were given an opportunity to speak on the process of how they find the information that they compile into their record books. "That's what we're going to talk about tonight. The process of how we've assembled what we've assembled. It's a labor of love for us. We love Minden High football. We love Minden High School. We're both graduates. I graduated in '96, Jake in '02," said Chreene.

"Since 2002 I've called every Minden High football game without a miss. That's up to 242 games. Jake started calling games with me in 2010, and he's been my tag team partner since. We've had a good run.

"Our third or fourth season, we would always run into a situation where a kid would have a really good night, and we're like, I wonder where this is historically. Is this a top 5 moment? This has got to be one of the best rushing performances, or he's got to have more tackles than

anybody, but we didn't know. We talked to the coaches, and no records. So I told Jake, it'd be kind of neat to build us a record book to add to our broadcast.

"I wish I could take a little more credit than I get credit for on this. My name is on it, but I can guarantee you that Jake Chapman has done the lion's share of work on this. I've helped him gather the information, but as far as sitting down and going through it, if you saw our Excel worksheets, you'd never have seen that many numbers in your life."

Chreene has been personally tracking the stats of MHS games since 2008, but when trying to determine whether certain player's accomplishments are truly the best of all time, recent history can only go so far.

While anyone who is interested can simply refer to one of the record books Chreene and Chapman created to satiate any curiosity about MHS's football greats, the process to actually make those books was far less convenient. Chapman referenced a forward written by the late John Agan detailing the main issue that arises when trying to find out about the history of MHS football.

"Despite its storied history, something was missing. Sadly the availability of records for the MHS football team was lacking. The only way to determine the great achievements of past Minden teams was to spend hours pouring over yearbooks and old newspapers, attempting to piece together the story of Crimson Tide football," said Agan.

While libraries do indeed have newspapers dating back to the early

era of MHS football, it isn't as though they are organized in any way to make finding the specific articles referencing the past games of the team a simple task.

"I spent hours and hours in the library pulling out those huge copies of newspapers, flipping them over and just brute force scanning them for articles. I would log those stats directly onto an Excel spreadsheet. If it got mentioned in an article, I logged it," said Chapman.

He went on to explain a process much akin to chasing a trail of crumbs: finding a reference to a game, which possibly referenced a date for the next game, giving them a way to piece-by-piece track seasons long past. But even when he could find articles another issue arose, that being the specific reporting style of those games. More often than not the articles were written as stories about the games taking place as opposed to giving cold hard statistics he could use to add to his spreadsheets.

"There are some problems compiling all of this that made it difficult. Some of the papers were illegible. The style of the writing was more story driven and poetic. So there were no stats," said Chapman.

"Defensive stats are probably the hardest thing to track. When I first started doing this, I didn't even track them, because they were so far and few between."

To make things even more difficult, early on in the process of compiling, Chapman had lost all of the research he spent so many hours gathering.

"In 2015 I lost every bit of my research. I have no idea where that thumb-

drive is to this day. Keep in mind, I started in 2013, so almost two years of research was just gone. So I started over, spending hours and hours in the library, again. Except this time, I took pictures of the articles so I could keep them for documentation," said Chapman.

However, with time he found some methods and sources that aided in his pursuit, such as the usage of online databases that made sifting through old newspapers easier, as well as expanding his searches beyond strictly Minden newspapers.

"Obviously I started with the Minden newspapers, and eventually I expanded my search to the Shreveport Times, which helped fill a ton of gaps. Because the Webster Parish newspaper scene wasn't very good about reporting statistics. Some of that has to do with the writing stylistically. Journalism back then wasn't so much about the stats, it was more about the story," said Chapman.

While the early 1900s are difficult to find specific stats of, luckily reporting styles changed later in the century that made finding these details much easier.

"This is par for the course until you get to about the mid '50s. It describes what happened in the game. Shreveport Times especially would have team stats at the end of the recap articles. Starting in the early to mid '50s you would start to see more reporting like this, where they would have a tale of the tape at the end of a game," said Chapman.

"In 1980, something else you would start to see is an actual scoring summary, detailing who scored, how they scored,

how far out they scored or the distance that they scored."

Some interesting facts regarding the reporting of football included that the first found instance of a reporting on a MHS game was in 1909. Later, Chapman also referenced a New Orleans Times Democrat article from 1910 referencing a game played between MHS and Centenary College, stating, "This is the first mention of an individual statistic as I could find. We don't know how long it was, but we at least know that Richard Drew had a rushing touchdown that game."

Through his research, he also came to find how exactly the team was referred to by press and fans up until they found their tried and true mascot of the Crimson Tide.

"Around 1909 and earlier on, they were just the Minden High School football team. In 1920 you see Coach Dan Stewart, who was a manager of Tulane the year before. So what color is Tulane? Green and white. In 1923 they were mentioned to carry the green and white colors. Again, no mascot," said Chapman.

"Later on in 1923, they were referenced as the Green and White Machine. Later on in 1923 you see the first, that I could find, mention of Greenbacks, a team mascot. Up until this time, it's just so and so high school against so and so high school, or they would mention the colors. They were called the Greenbacks, or Greenies for short, up until 1934."

"The 1934 season was kind of weird. They began the season being called the Greenies. Then October 2, 1934, in the Minden Signal Tribune, they were

called the Crimson Avalanche. The next day in the Shreveport Times they were actually referred to as the Crimson Tide. And then the following week the Tribune is still calling them the Crimson Avalanche. And then the following week the Signal Tribune gets on the same page as everybody else and starts calling them the Crimson Tide."

Chapman stated that, all together, the sources used to gather data includes a total of 3,806 articles that came from a large number of newspapers across the state. Using this information, Chreene and Chapman have released two record books so far, in 2015 and 2018, with another one in the works.

Beyond that, they've recently expanded into the medium of podcasting, releasing one every week called First and Tide Rewind where they discuss weekly recaps of MHS games, and plan on having monthly interviews with former players, their first interview being with L'Jarius Sneed, quarterback for the Kansas City Chiefs. The podcast can be found on their Facebook, Spotify, and on KBEF.com. Roger Anderson should be the next interview.

The podcast is another endeavor the two have pursued, much like their live broadcasting of the games, or their work compiling the record books, to show their passion and love for the sport of football and the Crimson Tide itself. "The whole purpose of this is just to keep the history of Minden High School football alive," said Chapman.

DONATIONS

Lakeside Jr/Sr High School's FBLA Organization Launches "Soles for Souls" Shoe Drive Fundraiser

Special to the Minden Press-Herald

Lakeside Jr/Sr High School's FBLA Organization is conducting a shoe drive fundraiser beginning October 16 - November 17th to offset the cost of members attending regional, state and national competitions. The FBLA club will earn funds based on the total weight of the pairs of gently worn, used and new shoes collected,

as Funds2Orgs will issue a check for the collected shoes. Those dollars will benefit Lakeside's FBLA organization. Anyone can help by donating gently worn, used and new shoes at the school located at 9090 Highway 371, Sibley or the Minden branch of the Webster Parish Library.

All donated shoes will then be redistributed throughout the Funds2Orgs network of

micro-enterprise (small business) partners. Funds2Orgs works with micro-entrepreneurs to help them create, maintain and grow small businesses in developing countries where economic opportunity and jobs are limited. Proceeds from the sales of the shoes collected in the shoe drive fundraisers are used to feed, clothe, and house their families. One of these entrepreneurs in Haiti earned enough

to send her son to law school.

"We are extremely excited about our shoe drive," said FBLA sponsor, Lesa Ward. "We know that most people have extra shoes in their closets they would like to donate to us. By doing so, we will raise money for our students to attend these various competitions throughout the year as well as help families in developing nations who need economic op-

portunities. It's a win-win for everyone."

By donating gently worn, used and new shoes to the organization, the shoes will be given a second chance and make a difference in people's lives around the world.

FBLA, officially known as Future Business Leaders of America, is the high school division of a career and technical student organization (CTSO) dedicated to preparing

students for careers in business. The mission of FBLA is to "inspire and prepare students to become community-minded business leaders in a global society through relevant career preparation and leadership experiences." Currently there are more than 196,950 members in 5,200 FBLA chapters across the US and other countries.

FALL FEST

Fall Fest fun at NLTCC

AMBER MCDOWN
Minden Press-Herald

On October 12, Northwest Louisiana Technical Community College (NLTCC) kicked off the fall season with a lively Fall Fest. Students, their families, and community members came together to celebrate the festivities.

Attendees were treated to an array of activities, including a raffle, a costume contest, face painting, games, and a spine-tingling haunted lab experience.

In line with the academic mission, the NLTCC administration was present to enlighten prospective students about the diverse educational opportunities available at the institution.

Looking ahead, NLTCC



is gearing up to welcome interested individuals to an open house scheduled on October 19 in Minden. This event offers an excellent chance for visitors to explore the campus, gain

insights into academic offerings, and register for upcoming classes.

For more information, visit NLTCC's official website, www.NLTCC.edu.

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OBITUARIES



William G. Bullock

Graveside services for William G. “Bill” Bullock were held Saturday, October 7, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. at Gardens of Memory Cemetery in Minden, Louisiana with Bro. Leon Boggs officiating. The family received friends from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. Friday, October 6, 2023, at Rose Neath Funeral Home in Minden, Louisiana.

Bill was born February 6, 1934, in Cleveland, Ohio and entered his heavenly home October 3, 2023, in Minden, Louisiana. Bill proudly served his country during the Korean War, when he was stationed with the U.S. Army in Alaska. When he returned to Ohio to finish his college degree, he met his future wife Norma Ryan at Ohio University in Athens. They married in 1962 and eventually moved their family to Louisiana where Bill was the Personnel Manager at the Louisiana Army Ammunition Plant outside of Minden. Bill and Norma were a part of the congregation at Lakeview Methodist Church for over forty years.

Bill was an avid baseball fan, as well as a Civil War historian. As one of six children, Bill had an enduring



Kyle Campbell

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Kyle Campbell on October 9, at the age of 42 years old. He was born on July 15, 1981 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana to Charles and Martha Campbell.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife Elizabeth Eckard Campbell, son William Monroe, son Bankston Eckard, daughter Palmer Renee, son Marsh Oliver, brother Joshua (Leslie) Campbell, sister Allyson (Courtney) Miller, brother Wesley Campbell, brother Jordan (Sarah) Campbell, sister in law Caitlyn (Chaz) Keating, brother in law Charlie Haines, and numerous nieces and nephews. He is also remembered by a wide circle of friends and loved ones.

Previously departed loved ones include his father, Charles William “Bill” Campbell, maternal grandfa-

thers Elmer Jerome Lobell and Lonnie Keen, maternal grandmother Kathron Lobell Keen, paternal grandfather Charles William Campbell, paternal grandmother Betty Chambers Campbell and his beloved dog, Sampson.

Kyle has been dedicated to serving his community of Minden since their arrival in March of 2018. He was a proud member of the Minden Civitans and was recently inducted to the Civitans board. He was considered an honorary member of the Minden Junior Service League and the Young Women’s Service Club in recognition of his willingness to tackle any project the club asked of him.

A Celebration of Life was held on Saturday, October 14, 2023 at First Methodist Church of Minden. Visitation began at 9 a.m., with a short service to followed at 11. Friends and family were invited to attend and pay their respects.

William Kyle Campbell may be gone, but he will forever live on through the individuals whose lives will be saved by the selfless donation of his organs.

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Robbye Christine Baylis

Robbye Christine Baylis, 68, passed away peacefully in her sleep on Friday September 22, 2023.

Robbye was born on July 14, 1955, to Roy and Christine Baylis of Ringgold, La.

She is predeceased by her parents, infant brother

Robert, sister Sue Botelho and sister n law Vonciel Baylis. Robbye is survived by her sister Beverly Sanderson of Minden brothers Terry (Jeri) Baylis of Minden and Jerry (son Jason) Baylis of Minden.

Nieces Susan (J.E.) McEachern of Minden Linda (Don) Addison of Virginia.

Several great nieces and nephews as well as great great nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be held Wednesday October 18, 2023, at 11:00 am at Providence Cemetery in Ringgold, La.



Ava Nell McWhorter

Funeral services celebrating the life of Ava Nell McWhorter will be held Thursday, October 19, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. with visitation at 10:00 a.m. prior to the service at Antioch Baptist Church in (Dixie Inn) Minden, Louisiana under the direction of Rose Neath Funeral Home in Minden, Louisiana. Officiating will be Bro. D.J. Thomas. Interment will follow at Rocky Springs Cemetery in Lisbon, Louisiana.

Ava Nell was born February 14, 1930, in Homer, Louisiana and entered her heavenly home October 14, 2023, in Homer, Louisiana. Ava was a life-long servant and loving mother. She served in the Air Force Reserves as a Major for 15 years; registered nurse and instructor at Northwestern University; missionary in Gaza for over 20 years; and Mayor of Dixie Inn for 16 years.

Ava Nell is preceded in death by her parents, Raymond and Stella McWhorter and 8 siblings.

She is survived by her daughter, Dawn Williams (Michael, sister, Pat Walker, and numerous nieces and nephews.

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RESULTS

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general election, those being Nancy Landry with 19.34%(197,521) of the vote and “Gwen” Collins-Greenup with 19.25% (196,537) of the vote.

In the race for Attorney General, no candidate won a majority of over 50% of the vote, so the top two candidates who received the most votes will advance to a general election, those being “Liz” Baker Murrill with 45.24% (463,108) of the vote and Lindsey Cheek with 23.41% (239,653) of the vote.

In the race for Treasurer, no candidate won a majority of over 50% of the vote, so the top two candidates who received the most votes will advance to a general election, those being John Fleming with 44.04% (442,665) of the vote and Dustin Granger with 31.98% (321,426) of the vote.

In the race for State Senator of the 36th Senatorial District, “Adam” Bass won with 62.04% (14,097) of the vote.

In the race for BESE for District 4, no candidate won a majority of over

50% of the vote, so the top two candidates who received the most votes will advance to a general election, those being Stacey Melerine with 47.01% (55,297) of the vote and Emma Shepard with 30.48% (35,850) of the vote.

For CA No. 1 (ACT 200, 2023 - HB 311) which prohibits the use of private funds in the administration of elections, 72.57% (734,325) of voters voted yes.

For CA No. 2 (ACT 30, 2023 - SB 63) which provides that the freedom of worship is a fundamental

right worthy of the highest protection, 79.20% (805,669) of voters voted yes.

For CA No. 3 (ACT 107, 2023 - HB 47) which dedicates certain payments to be applied to the state retirement system unfunded accrued liability, 56.16% (559,537) of voters voted yes.

For CA No. 4 (ACT 48, 2023 - HB 46) which restricts ad valorem tax exemptions for certain nonprofit organizations, 66.00% (661,328) of voters voted yes.



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ance, exceeding \$3,000 per month. These figures do not encompass expenses for parenting classes, website maintenance, educational brochures, and other essential operations, underscoring the urgency of financial support.

Brandi Geiger, a guest speaker at the event from Coweta, Oklahoma, shared her compelling story of resilience and faith. Despite enduring a traumatic experience of assault during her teenage years that resulted in an unplanned pregnancy, Geiger chose adoption over abortion. Her narrative illuminates the possibilities of turning adversity into blessings, emphasizing the

value of perseverance and faith in challenging times.

The banquet, themed “Showers of Blessings,” highlighted the center’s mission. Amber Bradford, in her speech, affirmed the belief that true blessings come from unwavering faith, dismissing superstitions with the assertion that with God, luck is unnecessary.

Seeds Women’s Center extends its gratitude to sponsors and volunteers whose support made this event possible. Donations to further the cause can be made in person or online at www.seedswomen-scenter.com. For those interested in volunteering, opportunities are regularly posted on the center’s Facebook page.

RALLY

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R/C aircraft demands more than just flying skills, as highlighted on the SHARKS website. Emphasizing the importance of education within the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA), modelers engaging with this type of aircraft delve into various subjects such as math, electronics, mechanics, physics, aerodynamics, and perseverance during the plane-building process.

During the event, there are no specifically scheduled events, providing club members the opportunity to maxi-

mize their flying time while dedicating intervals to refining and perfecting their aircraft.

“They’ll fly them around for as long as their fuel load will let them, and then they’ll land, tinker on them a little bit, put some more fuel in them, and go back up — just fly them as much as they can,” shared Burdeaux.

The airfield gates will be open from 10 AM to 5 PM each day, inviting the public to witness the high-flying spectacle. Admission to this mesmerizing display of radio controlled model aircraft is free.

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joy complimentary activities in the pavilion, including face painting, balloon art (by LAFFCO Home of Jelly the Clown), and henna tattoos (by CreateltHannah). Furthermore, the pavilion showcased the

“Art at the Farm Student Works Gallery.”

The Minden Maker’s Fair once again provided a platform for artisans and artists to display their creativity and craftsmanship, promoting a sense of community and appreciation for the arts.

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in Sibley are also in the works.

Upcoming events include the Witches Ride of Minden, which is scheduled to parade through downtown and then host a lively block party on October 19. This event has already garnered significant interest, with over 200 enthusiastic participants registered, as per the event organizer. Additionally, the SHARKS Annual R/C & Jet Rally will grace the Minden Airport from October

19-22, promising excitement for aviation enthusiasts.

Marking the later part of the month, the Hwy 80 Sale is set to sprawl from October 20-22, offering a treasure trove of items for bargain hunters. On October 31, LAMA Animal Rescue will spice up Halloween night with a Bingo Night event.

For a comprehensive view of upcoming events in Webster Parish, interested individuals can visit the official website and click on the Events tab to plan their calendar accordingly

LIONS

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tude of giving and willingness, that attitude to not only see an idea but to see it through. That’s a lot of how the Minden Foundation started,” said Ogwyn.

In 2004, a group of Minden businessmen and community leaders found themselves wanting to give back to the Minden community in some way that others couldn’t.

“They wanted to start something new, out of their own pockets and amongst their friends. They set out to not only find a way to raise funds

but also how to distribute.

“It was just an idea to help someone that you really didn’t know.”

The mission of the Minden Foundation is to help support community members who have experienced sudden and catastrophic events. They offer some quick support to people who have experienced things like fires, flooding, or a loss of life. They also offer guidance to other sources of help that may be a better fit for that person’s needs.

The Minden Foundation uses an annual golf tournament as a major

fundraiser. About five years ago, Ogwyn and his father decided to start a skeet shooting contest to help raise funds for the foundation. Over time, the event has grown considerably, last year bringing in \$25,000. This year they have 38 teams signed up and 11 sponsors. The competition is open to men, women, and youth. This year there will be almost 30 participants under the age of 18.

“That’s what’s important: Keeping the community involvement, giving back to the participants that day, and giving

back to the community that has done so much for us,” Ogwyn said.

The slots for this year’s Minden Foundation Shoot Out are filled, but the foundation is still selling raffle tickets and accepting donations. For more information, go to their website: MindenFoundation.org. Applications for help can also be found on this website.

The Lions Club hosts engaging speakers every Thursday at noon. Meetings take place at the American Legion Memorial Hall located at 119 Pine Street.

OPINION

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OPINION

The eternal hatred: Israel under attack, yet again

For you [Israel] are a people holy to the Lord your God. The Lord your God has chosen you out of all the peoples on the face of the earth to be his people, his treasured possession." (Deuteronomy 7:6).

I have been quite taken aback by what I have seen this week. I think many of us have had difficulty processing it.

The massacre at the music festival alone is sufficiently chilling and gut-wrenching. It is estimated that a few thousand young people were observing the end of the Jewish holiday season at the Tribe of Nova music festival, which quickly became the location of the worst mass slaughter of Jews since the Holocaust.

Some have reported seeing parachutes dropping from the sky while the parachutists were apparently filming the festival attendees on their phones. Truckloads of armed men soon arrived, and the killing began as the panicked crowd attempted to escape. "Those who tried to reach their cars to escape were slaughtered as the Hamas killers waited at the exits. In one festival tent, bodies of the murdered lay piled together where they'd been shot en masse, like the scenes of Jews shot and dumped into ditches in

World War II." (Wall Street Journal, Oct 10, 2023).

260 bodies have been found so far. This is to say nothing of the raping and killing that has occurred elsewhere.

This hatred for the Jews is eternal. Many of Israel's Arab neighbors call for, in their nations' founding charters, the literal annihilation of Israel. I'm not suggesting the Palestinian issue is not complicated, it is. I'm saying Israel is regularly attacked and when it responds—with Palestinian women and children intentionally and strategically placed to be killed during the response—Israel is accused of being a butcher.

While this murderous brutality is evil it has a clear strategic purpose. As the Wall Street Journal has stated:

"As this war escalates, it is important to understand that the savagery is essential to Hamas's goals. Their wanton bloodlust is designed to work twice over. They murder, rape and mutilate Israelis, knowing that in its response Israel will wreak

havoc on Palestinians. Israel, unlike its enemies, will do what it can to avoid punishing the innocent. But innocents will suffer, because Hamas has positioned them precisely for this purpose. The terrorists' objective is truly indiscriminate destruction. For them a dead Jew is a bonus, but a dead Palestinian is a trophy they can parade before credulous Western media to convey some supposed moral equivalence between their depravity and the actions of a beleaguered nation seeking to preserve its very existence." (G. Baker, WSJ, 10/09/23).

Israel is a very small country (9.3 million) and is not going to be able to any longer risk danger from Hamas or other terror groups with Gaza and Palestine so close to it. Over the decades, the Palestinians have had many opportunities to make peace, through Yassar Arafat and others, but don't really seek it. However, as Golda Meir has observed, "you cannot negotiate with someone who has come to kill you."

I have heard calls for "peace in the Middle East" but what would that look like when your enemy despises—and wishes to end—your very existence. As Benjamin Netanyahu has said "if

Israel's enemies laid down their weapons, there would be no more war. If Israel laid down its weapons, there would be no more Israel. "

Why is this occurring now? It's really a mystery why Hamas would do what it did last Saturday. It must have known that sending terrorists to kill civilians would provoke complete and total destruction of the Gaza strip by Israel. Perhaps Iran—upon whose funding Hamas relies—promised Hamas it would hit Jerusalem with a nuke. Maybe Hamas thinks it can hide behind hostages or that forcing Israel into a 2 or 3 front war provides the best chance to destroy it. Whatever the case, I think it miscalculated because even the doddering, feckless Biden would likely be willing to blast Gaza with the U.S Navy, to say nothing of the American war supplies we are already providing to Israel.

I see no outcome in which Israel is annihilated or Gaza comes out as anything but a pile of rubble—a parking lot. Israel can simply no longer risk not having total control of this physical buffer zone area around its nation. In the meantime, it needs our prayers.

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INSPIRATION

It's never too late to have a happy childhood

Someone has said "it's never too late to have a happy childhood!" As I embark on my second childhood, at the age of seventy-five I intend, with God's help, to make the next twenty-five years my best years yet!

I plan to keep up my fast-spirited walk, that I am known for, just as my fast-talking that is sure to drive anyone some people crazy! Of course I know where my fast talking comes from. It's genetic! Being very interested in genealogy, because I knew few of my relatives growing up, I've located many of my long lost relatives including a maternal cousin, from Woods County, Oklahoma, who knew my mother. I commented "I think you talk faster than I do!" Taken back she responded "oh, it's just because I was a telephone operator."

I knew better! It's genetic! But we do have choices! While I write about the abuse I suffered as a child there's a mission to my mad-

ness! I intend to keep the promise I made so many years ago to expose what went on behind those wicked closed doors. I intend to keep this pledge on behalf of those children who have no voice - who are afraid to speak out lest they will be beaten senseless or sexually



SARAH HUDSON PIERCE

abused.

I move onto how I intend to make the last years my best!

I will keep on walking several days a week whether I want to or not because it really does make me feel better and it is essential to good health.

Besides that my oldest son, Perry, always asks me "Mom, have you walked today?" I surely don't want to

disappoint him.

Also I intend to be able to get up and down off of the floor the rest of my life! One way doing that is to just do it every day! I say that if parents would teach their children to kneel every day to pray that it would be a practice that would not only keep our prayer lines open but also keep our bodies agile most of our lives!

With all of the trauma of my childhood I will always remember our poor, child-like mother, who knelt with us each night by our bed to repeat the simple prayer that might traumatize some children: "Now I lay me down to sleep. I pray the Lord my soul to keep. If I should die before I wake I pray the Lord my soul to take."

Those are precious memories that impressed me that God would take care of me.

I plan continue writing my thoughts down whenever thoughts come to me because I want to leave a legacy of my life not only for

my children but for future generations to come.

And I intend to keep talking to strangers in the market place because my mama never taught me not to talk to strangers. After all our friends were strangers before we met and now some of my best friends are people I met in the produce aisle.

Anthony Robbins, the famous motivational speaker, said "a life worth living is worth recording!" And Dr. Leo Buscaglia said "if you don't tell it in your own words, through your voice, no one will ever know who you really were!"

Life is too short to be fake - to not make your voice heard. Instead I want to leave your mark wherever you go!

It's never too late to have a happy childhood and to make a difference!

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FROM THE BACK PORCH

‘Good gravy!’ That was a great meal

We were invited to have lunch yesterday with our daughter and son-in-law and we were in for a treat.

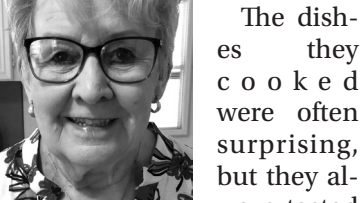
I knew she was a good cook but yesterday she outdid herself. She has learned to cook, mostly on her own by trial and error, much as I did.

Yesterday was no special occasion but when we sat down at her table you would think it was special. Because the meal was. I said she learned to cook mostly on her own because she actually began when she was a senior in high school.

Her classes were over at noon so she went home and often made supper as I was still at work.

She was able to do this because she and her daddy had experimented in my kitchen

the summer before I started teaching. I was working at the newspaper that summer and Hubby had the summer off because of an accident. He and the three children were home and "managed" for themselves.



FANNIE MOORE

The dishes they cooked were often surprising, but they always tasted good so no one complained. After about two summers, they were fairly experienced cooks.

As the years passed, she married and had her own

family to cook for so was able to start slow and learn quickly. Now, her children love her cooking when they come home, or if she goes to see them. She loves to cook for friends; she cooks for neighbors and friends that are sick or if there is a death in a family.

A son in law offered to build her a house in Tennessee if she would cook their dinner every day. (His wife is a good cook but it isn't like Louisiana and home cooking.) She knew it was a joke and I don't think she was tempted that much.

She often gets comments on her food, and yesterday was no exception. We couldn't tell her enough how much we enjoyed the lunch. Her main dish was "crock pot roast" and

had such a great, and unusual flavor. It was the different ingredients that flavored it so much and it was covered with brown gravy. Going along with the roast were fluffy mashed potatoes, green beans, corn casserole and rolls. After the sumptuous meal, she topped it off with banana pudding.

But now that I have told you about her great cooking skills, I will share a story from her and her daddy's early cooking.

And embarrass her even more.

During the summer they were trying to feed the family for me it was truly trial and error. (And there were some really funny errors).

We had a garden and they picked a few peas and butter beans and were cooking them

together as there weren't enough for one dish. After they got them cooking, Daddy said "I think mama puts meat in them", so they went to the freezer, found a piece of steak and put it in the vegetables. We had a good supper and also had a good laugh.

We still laugh about their cooking experiments. But they came in handy that last year of her high school as she was able to cook supper as I was teaching and still at school.

Today she is one of the best cooks I've seen. Her food cannot be beat.

And it may even be topped off with delicious brown gravy!

FANNIE MOORE LIVES IN SHONGALOO.

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COLUMN/HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Knights, Apaches get Week 7 wins

RUSSELL HEDGES
Minden Press-Herald

Week 7 is in the books and like many of the weeks so far this season, the results were mixed for parish teams.

The North Webster Knights and Glenbrook Apaches both won home games.

The Knights defeated Carroll 21-13 in a District 1-3A game. The Apaches routed Ringgold 61-6 in a District 1-1A contest.

Elsewhere, Minden fell to Northwood 42-16 at home in a District 1-4A game, and Lakeside dropped a 42-24 decision to North Caddo on the road.

In Friday's games, North Webster (4-3, 2-2) visits district leader Sterlington (6-1, 4-0), Glenbrook (6-1, 3-1) hosts Plain

Friday's games
Minden at Evangel, 7
North Webster at Sterlington, 7
Lakeside at Loyola, 7
Plain Dealing at Glenbrook, 7

Dealing (0-7, 0-4), Minden (1-6, 1-3) visits Evangel Christian (4-3, 3-1) and Lakeside (3-4, 0-2) visits Loyola (2-5, 1-1).

North Webster turned in an outstanding defensive performance against Carroll. The Knights held the Bulldogs to one touchdown until late in the game.

The Knights will be

facing a red-hot Sterlington squad. The Panthers knocked of defending 1-3A champion Union Parish 24-10 last week and have won six straight since falling to 5A power West Monroe in the season opener.

Regardless of the outcome, North Webster is virtually assured to return to the playoffs after a one-year absence. According to GeauxPreps.com, the Knights are No. 14 in the non-select power ratings. The top 28 in the final rankings make the playoffs.

Glenbrook's game against Ringgold was the mismatch it was expected to be.

The Apaches first-team players won't get much work this week against Plain Dealing. The Lions have been struggling just to field a team.

Minden's chances of making the playoffs took a big hit with the loss to Northwood.

Minden is No. 32 in the non-select Division II power ratings. Even if the Tide win their last three, it may not be enough to move into the top 28.

Evangel Christian fell to North DeSoto 38-28 last week in a battle for the 1-4A lead. The Eagles offense will be another big challenge for the Minden defense, which spent a lot of time on the field against Northwood.

Lakeside has been depleted by injuries and the number of healthy players is in the 20s. The Warriors finally got their offense going against North Caddo and led 24-22 at the half, but the final two quarters belonged to the Titans.



RUSSELL HEDGES/PRESS-HERALD
Three Glenbrook players sack Ringgold's quarterback during a 61-6 District 1-1A victory last week at Glenbrook.

OUTDOORS

Fishing Report

BLACK BAYOU – No report. Contact Honey Hole Tackle Shop 323-8707 for latest information.

BUSSEY BRAKE – Spinners and jigs are picking a few bass around the brush. The crappie are scattered around the brush. Bream have slowed. For latest information, contact the Honey Hole at 323-8707.

OUACHITA RIVER – The water level is quite low. Crappie fishing has improved in 10-12 foot water on shiners or jigs. Bass are fair in the cuts on shad imitations. For latest information, contact the Honey Hole Tackle Shop at 323-8707.

LAKE D'ARBONNE –Some bass are still being caught early mornings

on topwater lures around the grass with soft plastics and swim baits working best later. Crappie are best fishing the flats in 12-14 foot water with some moving to the channel drops. Shiners and jigs are best bets. Bream are slow but catfish continue to be caught fishing cold worms and night crawlers off the banks. For latest information, call Anderson Sport Center at 368-9669 or Honey Hole Tackle Shop at 323-8707.

LAKE CLAIBORNE – The drawdown on the lake is almost done. Much of the bank area is sitting high and dry. Last week, boats could still be launched at Kel's Cove. Bass fishing has been best fishing super Flukes and swim baits. With the water level down look for bass to be on the second-

ary points with crank baits and soft plastics working best. Night fishing around the lights is still producing some action. Some reports of some real nice crappie being caught in 12 foot water on shiners and jigs. No report on stripers or catfish this week. For latest information, call Kel's Cove at 927-2264 or Terzia Tackle at 278-4498.

CANEY LAKE – Night fishing for bass has been producing fairly well on dark spinners and soft plastics. They are fair to good early mornings on topwater lures with square bill crank baits, spinners and soft plastics working best later. Some bass are schooling and hitting shad imitations. Crappie have been best around the deeper tops on shiners or jigs with the Ebenezer area best fish-

ing 10 feet deep on shiners or jigs. Bream are slow. For information contact Caney Lake Landing at 259-6649, Hooks Marina at 249-2347, Terzia Tackle at 278-4498 or the Honey Hole Tackle Shop at 323-8707.

LAKE POVERTY POINT – Fishing for catfish has improved. Crappie fishing has slightly improved with best catches made on the south end. No report on bass. For latest reports, call Poverty Point Marina at 318/878-0101. For information, call Surplus City Landing at 318/467-2259.

LAKE YUCATAN – The water level is falling and quite low. Catfishing is good; others are slow. For information, call Surplus City Landing at 318/467-2259.

Prepare carefully for best trophy photos

GLYNN HARRIS

The second happiest moment for me as a hunter occurred when I went to the photo shop and picked up pictures of my buck of a lifetime. My happiest moment, obviously, was when I walked up and found that huge 8 point lying at my feet; the photos were just icing on the cake.

During the years since that fortunate occurrence, memories of the actual event have become faded and frayed. The photos, though, are still there, sharp as ever. My grandkids are somewhat interested when I tell about that buck. Their eyes light up, though, when I whip out the photos. This is why it is ever so important that good quality photographs are taken so such memories can be preserved right there in living color.

I have the good fortune of getting to write stories of big bucks taken in Louisiana each season for Louisiana Sportsman magazine and web site. I frequently receive photos of someone's trophy, hunters who are obviously proud of their accomplishment but sadly, they didn't take enough time to shoot quality photos. I'm unable to use some of the most poorly composed shots because they're....well....just plain awful. The rack and body of the deer may be impressive but other elements of the photo don't measure up.

With this in mind, I contacted friend and expert wildlife photographer from Tuskegee, AL, Tes Randle Jolly whose photos frequently find their way to magazine covers and full page spreads in some of the country's most popular outdoor magazines. I asked Jolly for some tips to help the average hunter get the most memorable photos of their trophy.

"First, try and take a photo as soon as possible after harvest so you can capture the hunter's ex-

citement. You may have to move the deer to a more favorable spot to get the best possible photograph," Jolly said. "If there is a little rise in the land, put the deer and hunter on the rise so the photographer can be a little lower. This way you may be able to capture some blue sky behind them."

"Before doing that," she added, "be respectful of the animal and clean it up. I keep paper towels in my pack to wipe the deer's face, removing blood and debris. If blood has dried, I carry a spray bottle of window cleaner to soften dried blood and making it easier to wipe away."

"Sometimes it's difficult to stop blood from oozing from the nostrils so I tear

off a piece of paper towel to plug each nostril. Tuck the tongue back into the mouth."

"If the deer's side is bloody, I also clean it, sometimes in a pinch using dried leaves. The main thing," she added, "is to show respect for the animal you have just taken."

I've seen photos of big trophy bucks hanging from the meat pole and sometimes over a gut bucket. I've seen photos of bucks in the back of a pick-up with beverage cans, sacks of corn or other assorted stuff cluttering the photo. Jolly says it is important to set up the photo for the most pleasing presentation.

"Prop the deer up on its chest and tuck the front legs under at the elbows.

Have the hunter kneel or sit behind the animal holding the antlers but be sure you check the background before composing the shot, complying with your state's hunter orange regulations with the hunter wearing his vest," Jolly added.

While Jolly goes afiel with thousands of dollars worth of photo equipment, she says that there are many point and shoot cameras available costing under \$200 and good quality cell phones that work quite well.

Follow these recommendations from a professional nature/wildlife photographer to enable your photos to not only pop but those that lend dignity to the animal you photograph.

Minden Press-Herald
Football Contest Winners
Week 7

1st Place - Ragan Hoenke- \$25.00
2nd Place - Obie Jones, Jr. - \$15.00
3rd Place - Theron Winzer - \$10.00

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

LSU routs Auburn; Tech, GSU fall

STAFF REPORTS
Minden Press-Herald

The LSU Tigers routed Auburn 48-18 last week in Tiger Stadium.

In other games of area interest, Louisiana Tech fell to Middle Tennessee 31-23 on the road and Grambling State lost its homecoming game to Alabama A&M 45-24.

LSU 48, Auburn 18: At Baton Rouge, LSU amassed 553 total yards in the SEC victory.

LSU improved to 5-2 overall and 4-1 in the conference. Auburn dropped to 3-3 and 0-3.

LSU quarterback Jayden Daniels continued his strong season, completing 20-of-27 passes for 325 yards and three touchdowns. Logan Diggs rushed for 97 yards and a touchdown.

Senior receiver Kyren Lacy caught four passes for 111 yards and a touchdown. Malik Nabers had six catches for 89 yards and a touchdown.

Middle Tennessee 31, Louisiana Tech 23: At Murfreesboro, Tenn., the Bulldogs (3-5, 2-2 CUSA) had a chance to tie late, but they couldn't convert a fourth-and-4 with less than one minute to play.

Saturday's games

Army at LSU
6:30 p.m., SECN

SLU at NSU
2 p.m., ESPN+

After missing the last three games, quarterback Hank Bachmeier came on midway through the third quarter with the 'Dogs trailing 24-9.

On his first offensive possession, he drove the team into the red zone. On fourth-and-1, MTSU (2-5, 1-2 CUSA) collapsed the middle expecting a run.

Instead, Bachmeier tossed to Dakota Williams who took it outside for the touchdown, making it 24-19 with 1:39 to go in the third quarter.

The Bulldogs finished with 413 total yards to 353 for the Blue Raiders. Smoke Harris had 11 catches for 129 yards.

Alabama A&M 45, Grambling State 24: at Grambling, Xavier Langford rushed for 195 yards and two touchdowns as the Bulldogs defeated the Tigers for the first time since 2011.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Dunovan Robinson
Minden, Jr.

Robinson rushed for 126 yards on 16 carries and scored a touchdown in a 27-6 victory over Bossier on Oct. 7.

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

Good News

GOOD NEWS

LIVING CONTENTLY FOR THE LORD – DOING GOOD THINGS FOR HIM & OTHERS

Jesus reminds us throughout the Gospels that life is more about ‘what we are and do’ instead of what we get out of life. We trust Him to give us what we need and be content with what we have. He also reminds us ‘it is more blessed to give than to receive.’ So, as we grow older, we have a responsibility to the Lord and to others to ‘serve Him with gladness, seeking Him daily with thanksgiving in our hearts and living a life that praises Him. This leads us to look for ways to express His love in action toward others around us.

Paul has written many words of encouragement in his epistles for believers as they move purposefully along the rough road of life. For some, it would be so easy just to sit down, weep, and say ‘I can’t go any farther.’ But Paul is a good example for all of us to see how God can empower us at our lowest points in life, breathe new strength into our being, reset our desires to please Him. Then, we can get up and do those good things He wants us to do. He gave Timothy, a young pastor of the Ephesian

church, much sound advice which is applicable to us today as we face obstacles and mountains in life.

1 Timothy 1, Paul tells of his ‘eagerness that all believers be filled with the love that comes from pure hearts, and that their minds be clean and their faith be strong.’ He teaches us to ‘be thankful that God has chosen us to be His messenger and that He gives the strength for us to be faithful to His calling.’ He continues, “Fight the Lord’s battles well and cling tightly to your faith in Christ. Keep your conscience clear, doing what you know is right” (It seems as we study through Jesus’ ministry, we find one of God’s main goals is to raise up and encourage preserving servants who are completely sold out to Him. Paul is a good example.) He exhorts young Timothy with timeless words of advice for

all generations to adhere. In 1Tim 4: Paul lists several important exhortations that we as Senior Adults still need to be reminded of as we make final plans of our departing this life to join the caravan of saints who have found their way into that glorious eternal presence of our Lord, the Almighty God.

1). God gave you a spirit of power, of love and self-discipline; He saved you, calling you to holy life. So, train yourself in godliness; Salvation is a gift, and godliness follows salvation. It is a pursuit. 2). We must train ourselves as if we are working out in a gym, preparing for this game of life. 3). Be an example for others. 4). Though you are young, (Paul encouraged Timothy), set an example in love, faith, purity. 5). Be living proof by the example you lead. 6). Follow closely Christ and His teaching. 7) Do not neglect the gift that is in you. 8). Those spiritual gifts you received when you received Christ into your life must be developed. 9). Mature in the Spirit, care for and cultivate these gifts, putting them into practice. 10). God expects

you to accept the opportunity to fan the gifts into flames of ministry and service to Him, and others as well. Yes, learn how to use them effectively.

Paul continues to give many practical ways to be a Christian witness in one’s daily life. Pray much for others, give thanks for all He is going to do for them (2:1); Pray for those in authority in all levels of government (2:2). Remember, “God longs for all to be saved and understand this truth.” (2:4). Spend your time and energy in the exercise of keeping spiritually fit. (4:7b). Practice being a better Christian – which has eternal promises attached. (4:8). Teach the truth, be an ideal example for others, be a pattern for them in your love, faith and clean thoughts. (4:12). Keep a close watch on all you do and think, stay true to what is right and God will bless you and use you to help others. (4: 16). Never let it be said that Christ’s followers are poor workers (6:1b). Run from all evil things and work at what is right and good, learning how to trust Him more and love others. Be patient and gentle as you fight

for God. (6:11-12). Keep out of foolish arguments (6: 20). This is good advice for all believers as we serve the Lord.


These are some true qualities of discipleship to enlighten and challenge us today as we seek to serve the Lord here in Minden. We realize our time is limited, some doors of opportunities may be closed or closing. We may have missed some special times of ministry and service. But the Lord continues to bring new ones into our lives, doesn’t He? Instead of going around the world to tell others about Jesus, He continues to bring the world to us. May God richly bless each of us as we seek to continuously renew our relationship with Him, the church & with each other! Let us be content with the place God has planted us at this time in life and realize we can bloom under His leadership wherever He plants us. We must allow Him to nurture and continue to grow us into the productive person He has designed us to be.

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THE UPWARD LOOK

Thankfulness

“giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,” Ephesians 5:20 ESV



Max Hutto

the struggles and hard times of life that cause him to draw closer to God, who is our refuge and strength.

Lord Jesus, may my heart be filled with gratitude for what You have done for me. May I constantly and continually offer my thanks for all things to God the Father.

Another aspect or characteristic of being filled with the Spirit is a grateful attitude that permeates all of the believer’s life. Having experienced the mercy and grace of God in Christ is enough to cause the believer to exude thankfulness to God, being forever thankful for salvation and new life in Christ. Yet the believer is to always give thanks for everything, even


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INSPIRATION

Be still

Do you feel you have been stuck in a never-ending season? Do you feel you have done everything you can do? If you answered yes to those questions the next step might be an easy one. God might be telling you to just wait and live in the moment. This statement is not to imply that you should give up your pursuit of God’s will but rather you should slow down and give God time. Psalms 46 is a good example of why we should be patient with God. It outlines God’s promises, and accomplishments, and proclaims his sovereignty. However, I would like to

focus on the promises made in verses 10 and 11. Psalms 46:10-11 NIV reads [10] He says, “Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.” [11] The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. We have God who always keeps his promises. He will be our fortress and he will be with us just be patient.




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On the agenda is a request from Morgan Whitt for a zoning variance on property owned by him located at 411 McIntyre Street. This property is zoned R-2 (Single Family Residential).

The purpose of this zoning variance request is to convert the existing building on the property into a multifamily duplex.

Legal Description: LOT FRONTING 62 FT. ON MCINTYRE ST. X 162 - 1/2 FT. BEING PART OF LOT #9 BLK. "E" MILLER-WATKINS ADDN.

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

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Cullen Fire Protection District No. 6 of the Parish of Webster, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of Cullen Fire Protection District No. 6 of the Parish of Webster, State of Louisiana (the "District"), on September 12, 2023, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held within the District on **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2023**, and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the District qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

PROPOSITION (BOND)

Shall Cullen Fire Protection District No. 6 of the Parish of Webster, State of Louisiana (the "District"), incur debt and issue bonds to the amount of not exceeding \$2,400,000, in one or more series, to run not exceeding 20 years from date thereof, with interest at rates not exceeding 7% per annum, for the purpose of acquiring, constructing and improving buildings, machinery and equipment, to be used in giving fire protection to the property in the District, title to which shall be in the public; which bonds will be general obligations of the District and will be payable from ad valorem taxes to be levied and collected in the manner provided by Article VI, Section 33 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, and statutory authority supplemental thereto, with an estimated increase of 8 mills to be levied in the first year of issue above the 3.50 mills currently being levied to pay General Obligation Bonds of the District?

The said special election shall be held at the polling places for the following precincts which polls will open at seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. and close at eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, to-wit:

PRECINCTS
04(PART)
05(PART)
06(PART)
11(PART)

The polling places for the precincts set forth above are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be those persons designated according to law.

The estimated cost of this election as determined by the Secretary of State based upon the provisions of Chapter 8-A of Title 18 and actual costs of similar elections is \$3,100.

Notice is further given that a portion of the monies collected from the taxes described in the Proposition shall be statemitted to certain state and statewide retirement systems in the manner required by law.

The said special election will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority,

and the officers appointed to hold the said election, as provided in this Notice of Special Election, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, will make due returns thereof to said Governing Authority, and NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Governing Authority will meet at its regular meeting place, the Cullen Fire Station, 109 Coyle Avenue, Cullen, Louisiana, on **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2023, at SIX O'CLOCK (6:00) P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election. All registered voters of the District are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used.

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If anyone knows the whereabouts of Mable Baker, last known address 3558 Sand Hill Road, Shongaloo, La, please contact Attorney Kharmen Davis-Taylor at (318) 621-9400.

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ORDINANCE NO. 23-01

AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING HOURLY RATE FOR PROPERTY CLEAN UP ACCORDING TO LA R.S. 33:4770.12 AND ORDINANCE NO 45 IN THE TOWN OF COTTON VALLEY.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Cotton Valley, meeting in regular session convened on October 10th, 2023, and upon motion duly made and seconded, did act as follows:

The Town of Cotton Valley hereby imposes an hourly rate of \$ \$150.00 with 4 hour minimum, to use Town equipment to clean up property in the Town of Cotton Valley in accordance with Louisiana Statute 33:4770.12 and Town of Cotton Valley Ordinance No. 45.

Whereas: The town may undertake the cutting, destruction, or removal of noxious weeds or grass or other deleterious, unhealthful, or noxious matters on any property within its jurisdiction monthly without the notice required if the property owner liable has been notified at any time during immediately preceding twelve months and has failed to do the work himself after opportunity to do so.

This ordinance was introduced on the 10th day of October, 2023.

Tiffany Parish
Municipal Clerk

**October 18, 2023
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SHERIFF'S SALE

REGIONS BANK D/B/A REGIONS MORTGAGE VS. THE OPENED SUCCESSION OF ALVIA MARTIN: THE OPENED SUCCESSION OF MILDRED D. MARTIN A/K/A MILDRED DORIS MARTIN, MILDRED DORIS CHANLER, DORIS CHANLER, DORIS MARTIN, JACKIE MARTIN, JACKIE HICKEY A/K/A JACKIE HICKEY, MACKIE MARTIN, TERRY DARLENE MARTIN, AND SHERRI MARTIN TAYLOR A/K/A SHERRI MARTIN, SHERRI TAYLOR

In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. CV80119

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 appraisalment and according to law at the principal front door of the Court-house in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana on WEDNESDAY, November 22, 2023, During the legal sale hours, the following property, to wit:

The following described property

in Webster Parish, Louisiana, to-wit: Lot No. Six (6), Roy Fincher's Addition, a subdivision located in the Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) of Section 23, 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 2, Page 11, together with all improvements thereon and rights thereto belonging.

Which has the address of 419 Fincher Road, Minden, LA 71055

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

**October 18, 2023
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PUBLIC NOTICE THE VILLAGE OF DOYLINE WILL PLACE FOR BID THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 395 WATSON STREET DOYLINE, LA 71023

The bidding for this property will begin with Twenty Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$20,000.00). There will be a Fifty Dollar and no cent (\$50.00) fee assessed to each bidder, determined to cover the cost of the sale to the Village of Doyline. The Fee shall be paid by money order and delivered to the Village of Doyline prior to the bid completion date as intent to bid, this fee is refundable to non- awarded bidders. Bids will begin immediately upon this notice and must be mailed to the Village of Doyline, USPS @ P. O. Box 626, Doyline, La 71023 or FEDEX, HAND DELIVERED TO 626 College Street, Doyline, La 71023. No electronic bids will be accepted. All bids must be offered in a sealed envelope with no marking outside except "Bid-365 Watson Street, Doyline, La, any open or otherwise revealing envelopes will not be considered. Any bids offered not by these standards will be rejected and set aside and forbidden from entering the bidding process. All bids must be received no later than November 30, 2023 to be opened at the public meeting at Town Hall, 624 College Street, Doyline, La 71023 on December 4th, 2023. Further information or questions can be asked/answered at Town Hall, Village of Doyline.

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September 27, 2023

RE: PUBLIC HEARING ABANDONMENT/ CLOSURE OF EAST END OF EAST ROAD, Parish Rd #228T (2229 feet long), Webster Parish part Right of Way 673 feet on dead end, 16 feet wide

A Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023 at the Webster Parish Courthouse Annex, Police Jury Meeting Room. It will be held on the 1st floor at 10:30am at 401 Main Street, Minden, LA 71055. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to hear comments concerning the proposed abandonment/ closure of the east end of East Road, Parish Rd #228T, 673 feet on the dead end of East Road and 16 feet wide, Webster Parish, Louisiana.

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING WEBSTER PARISH POLICE JURY
October 3, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Bonsall, President; Steve Ramsey, Vice President; Beverly Kennon, Mike Griffith, Steve Lemmons, Vera Davison, Allen Gilbert, Bruce Blanton, Daniel Thomas, Randy Thomas and Adam Lee

Absent: Cayla Cox

BOARD OF REVIEW: To sit as a Board of

Review of the 2023 assessment of real and personal property of the Parish of Webster, State of Louisiana:
1. Cable One, Ultra Communications Assessments #127474, 127689, 127920

2. - Yellow Jacket Oilfield Services, Assessment #3135187 WITHDREW minutes before the Board of Review

3. -USAC Leasing, LLC Assessment #135239

There was no additional protest presented to the Board of Review.

Ms. Denise Edwards, Assessor presented information on the protests filed.

Mr. Steve Ramsey moved, seconded by Mr. Mike Griffith to uphold the decision of the Webster Parish Assessor for the 2023 taxes. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jim Bonsall called the meeting to order and asked Mr. Steve Lemmons to open the meeting with prayer. Mr. Mike Griffith led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Jim Bonsall then asked for additions to the agenda.

There were no comments from the audience concerning the agenda.

Mr. Steve Ramsey moved, seconded by Mr. Bruce Blanton to approve invoices for payment pending review by juror Steve Ramsey. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Daniel Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Adam Lee to adopt the minutes of the September 5, 2023 Road Committee, Finance Committee, and Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mike Griffith moved, seconded Ms. Vera Davison to approve the Report of the Board of Review and Certification of the 2023 Assessment of Property of Webster Parish. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Steve Lemmons moved, seconded by Mr. Steve Ramsey to approve the Annual Off System Bridge System Requirements for 2023, Ordinance #856 Amended, and 011-2023 Resolutions. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mike Griffith moved, seconded by Mr. Bruce Blanton to approve Recreation Funding: \$500 for the Cotton Valley Fire Department to purchase chainsaws for the department. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Steve Lemmons moved, seconded by Mr. Bruce Blanton to appoint Ms. D. McCoy for the Northwest Louisiana Human Services District to replace Ms. Carolyn Carter effective immediately. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Daniel Thomas moved, seconded by Mr. Allen Gilbert to approve a Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023 at the Webster Parish Courthouse Annex, Police Jury Meeting Room. It will be held on the 1st floor at 10:30am at 401 Main Street, Minden, LA 71055. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to hear comments concerning the proposed abandonment/closure of the east end of East Road, Parish Rd #228T, 673 feet on the dead end of East Road and 16 feet wide, Webster Parish, Louisiana. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Beverly Kennon moved, seconded by Mr. Adam Lee to approve to allow for fewer than 300 voters in a precinct, and the annual report to the Secretary of State. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMENTS: Wanda Finley HeadStart Director Savannah Jones WP Library Director Serena Gray WP C.V.B. (Tourism) Jason Parker WP Sheriff COL. Carl Thompson Webster Parish Assessor/Denise Edwards Shakera Williams LSU/AG Brian Williams OHSEP Director Angie Chapman E911 Director Kathy Babers Congressman Mike Johnson Jessica Gorman Parish Historian

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

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Ms. Beverly Kennon moved, seconded by Mr. Adam Lee to approve the action taken at the Finance Committee Meeting held earlier today. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Steve Lemmon moved, seconded by Mr. Steve Ramsey to approve the action taken at the Building and Grounds Committee Meeting held earlier today. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jim Bonsall then gave Presidents' closing remarks.

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

/s/
Lisa C. Balkom
Secretary-Treasurer

/s/
Jim Bonsall
President

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SHERIFF'S SALE

21ST MORTGAGE CORPORATION VS. SANDY C. SAVANNA A/K/A SANDY CHRISTOPHER SAVANNA

In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. 80893

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 appraisalment and according to law at the principal front door of the Court-house in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana on WEDNESDAY, October 25, 2023, During the legal sale hours, the following property, to wit:

2022 American Home mobile home 32 x 56 bearing serial numbers OCO12234419A and OCO12234419B.

A 0.45 acre, more or less, tract of land located in Government Lot No. 1, also being located in the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, (NE/4 NE/4), Section 12, Township 17 North, Range 10 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana, more particularly described as follows:

Begin at the Southeast Corner of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, said Section 12, also being the Southeast Corner of Government Lot No. 1; thence run North 89 degrees 53 minutes 00 seconds West for a distance of 935.00 feet to a point; thence run North 41 degrees 12 minutes 00 seconds West for a distance of 352.00 feet to a found 2 inch iron pipe; thence run North 63 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East for a distance of 100.00 feet to a found 2 inch iron pipe for the Point of Beginning; thence continue North 63 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East for a distance of 100.00 feet to a found 2 inch iron pipe; thence run South 41 degrees 12 minutes 00 seconds East for a distance of 200.00 feet to a found 3/8 inch iron rod in a fence; thence run South 63 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West for a distance of 100.00 feet along said fence to a found 3/8 inch iron rod; thence run North 41 degrees 12 minutes 00 seconds West for a distance of 200.00 feet along a chain link fence to the Point of Beginning, together with all building and improvements located thereon, municipally known as 267 South Almond Lake Road, Sibley, LA 71073;

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 -
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SHERIFF'S SALE

CARTER FEDERAL CREDIT UNION VS. MICHAEL BREN-DAN FLINT

In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. 80881

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 appraisalment and according to law at the principal front door of the Court-house in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana on WEDNESDAY, October 25, 2023, During the legal sale hours, the following property, to wit:

LOT NO. TWO HUNDRED FORTY-SIX (246) OF PINE HILL SUBDIVISION of Section 13 and 24, Township 23 North, Range 11 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana, as per plat and map of said subdivision filed for record on April 23, 1938, and recorded in Book of Plats at Page 92 in the Office of the Clerk of the District Court and Ex-Officio Recorded in and for Webster Parish, Louisiana, together with all improvements located therein and rights thereto belonging.

Purported to be municipally known as 200 3rd Street Pinehill, Springhill, Louisiana 71075.

AND

LOTS TWO HUNDRED FORTY-SEVEN (247) and THREE HUNDRED (300) of the PINE HILL SUBDIVISION, a subdivision located in the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter, Section 24, Township 23 North, Range 11 West, Springhill, Webster Parish, Louisiana, as per map and plat thereof on file and of record in the Office of the Clerk of the District Court and Ex-Officio Recorder in and for said parish in Map Book 1, Page 92; together with all improvements located thereon and all rights thereto belonging.

Purported to be municipally known as 202 3rd Street Pinehill, Springhill, Louisiana 71075.

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 20, 2023
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VILLAGE OF DIXIE INN PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Village of Dixie Inn is hereby notifying its citizens that a public hearing will be held at 3:00 PM on November 1, 2023 at the Dixie Inn Village Hall located at 60 Shell Street, Dixie Inn, Louisiana. The purpose of the public hearing will be to inform the public on the recently completed FY 2021 LCDBG Public Facilities sewer project.

The Village will conduct a seminar during the public hearing to better inform its citizens of the Fair Housing program as a method of continually informing the public of Fair Housing in the Village.

Those interested in submitting written comments, particularly those residents of slums and blighted areas, may do so to: Donna Hoffoss, Village of Dixie Inn, 60 Shell Street, Minden, LA 71055. Any negative comments received will be forwarded to the State of Louisiana,

Division of Administration.

All residents, particularly low and moderate income persons and residents of slum and blighted areas of the Village are encouraged to attend this meeting. Accommodations will be made for persons with disabilities and non-English speaking persons provided those persons request said accommodations 3 days prior to the public hearing by calling 318-337-6855. The Village can be reached by telecommunications devices for the deaf through the Louisiana Relay Service at 1-800-367-8939 (TDD).

The Village of Dixie Inn is an equal opportunity employer.

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SHERIFF'S SALE

LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVING, LLC VS. PATRICK ANDREW KING AND RACHEL KING, A/K/A RACHEL ELIZABETH MILLER KING, RACHEL ELIZABETH MILLER, RACHEL ELIZABETH KING

In the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. CV80496
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 appraisalment and according to law at the principal front door of the Court-house in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana on WEDNESDAY, November 22, 2023, During the legal sale hours, the following property, to wit:

A 1.83 acre, more or less, tract of land located in the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NW/4 of SE/4) and the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SW/4 of SE/4), all in Section 4, Township 20 North, Range 9 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana, more particularly described as follows:

Begin at an existing 3/4 inch iron pipe at the Southeast corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, (SE/c of NW/4 of SE/4), said Section 4 for the Point of Beginning and run South 195.14 feet to an existing 1/2 inch iron rod on the apparent North right-of-way of Blue Run Road; thence run North 83 degrees 18 minutes 22 seconds West 196.65 feet along said apparent right-of-way to a set 5/8 inch iron rod; thence run North 3 degrees 06 minutes 05 seconds West 381.12 feet to an existing 2 inch iron pipe at a cross-tie fence corner; thence run North 89 degrees 51 minutes 28 seconds East 209.39 feet to an existing 2 inch iron pipe at a cross-tie fence corner; thence run South 1 degree 47 minutes 31 seconds East 208.96 feet to the Point of Beginning, as per Plat prepared by Paul W. Culpepper, Registered Land Surveyor, dated March 10, 2010, Drawing# 10-047C, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon, having a municipal address of 1162 Blue Run Road, Minden, Louisiana 71055 formerly and historically described as:

One acre in the Southeast corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SE/c of NW/4 of SE/4) of Section 4, Township 20 North, Range 9 West, Webster Parish, Louisiana, together with all improvements and all rights thereunto belonging, being

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the property acquired by W.A. Smith from the Webster Parish School Board by Deed recorded in Volume 256, Page 311, Conveyance Records of Webster Parish, Louisiana, and acquired by Lionel & Lou Myles from W.A. Smith and Sallie Roberts Smith by Deed recorded April 10, 1984 recorded in Volume 609, Page 718. Conveyance Records of Webster Parish, Louisiana (Assessment #104847).

Which has the address of 1162 Blue Run Road, Minden, LA 71055.

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
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October 9, 2023

The Sibley Town Council met in Regular Session on Monday, October 9, 2023, at 6:00 PM in the Sibley Town Hall Meeting Room.

Members present were Mayor Jimmy Williams, Aldermen Alan Myers, Wayne Bolton, Helen Chanler, and Richard Davis. Robert Smart was absent.

Mayor Williams opened the meeting with prayer and he led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Wayne Bolton motioned to adopt the minutes of the September 18, 2023, Regular Session as written; Helen Chanler seconded. Motion carried.

No new items were added to the agenda.

No public comments.

Wayne Bolton motioned to exit the Regular Session and to enter the Public Hearing on proposed Ordinance No. 50-E, proposed Ordinance No. 152-A, and proposed Ordinance No. 155, Richard Davis seconded. Motion carried.

Alan Myers motioned to exit the Public Hearing and to enter the Regular Session, Helen Chanler seconded. Motion carried.

Wayne Bolton motioned to consider proposed Ordinance No. 50-E titled AN ORDINANCE ADDING TO ORDINANCE NO. 50-D PROVIDING FOR VICIOUS DOGS, DANGEROUS DOGS, AND DOGS AT LARGE WITHIN THE TOWN LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SIBLEY AND TO DEFINE PENALTIES OF THE ABOVE-MENTIONED DOGS, Richard Davis seconded. Motion carried with the following vote:
YEAS: 4 - Alan Myers, Richard Davis, Helen Chanler, Wayne Bolton
NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 1 - Robert Smart
Ordinance No. 50-E was adopted.

Wayne Bolton motioned to consider proposed Ordinance No. 152-A titled AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CERTAIN ROADWAYS WITHIN THE TOWN OF SIBLEY TO PROHIBIT THRU TRUCK TRAFFIC AND TO PROVIDE FOR A PENALTY IN VIOLATION THEREOF, Helen Chanler seconded. Motion carried with the following vote:
YEAS: 4 - Alan Myers, Richard Davis, Helen Chanler, Wayne Bolton
NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 1 - Robert Smart
Ordinance No. 152-A was adopted.

Richard Davis motioned to consider proposed Ordinance No. 155 titled AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CERTAIN PROTECTED COVENANT FOR THE LANE MEADOWS SUBDIVISION WITHIN THE TOWN LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SIBLEY, PARISH OF WEBSTER, LOUISIANA, HERewith, Alan Myers seconded. Motion carried with the following vote:
YEAS: 4 - Alan Myers, Richard Davis, Helen Chanler, Wayne Bolton
NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 1 - Robert Smart
Ordinance No. 155 was adopted.

Wayne Bolton motioned to introduce and set a Public Hearing on Monday, November 13, 2023, at 6:00 PM during the November Regular Session at Sibley Town Hall, 345 North Main Street, Sibley, LA, for the proposed Ordinance No. 156 titled AN ORDINANCE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF LANE MEADOWS SUBDIVISION LOCATED WITHIN THE TOWN OF SIBLEY, WEBSTER PARISH, LOUISIANA, HERewith, Richard Davis seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Assistant Chief Richard Davis gave the September, 2023, activity report for the Sibley Volunteer Fire Department.

The aldermen acknowledged receiving the financial statement.

Mayor Williams told about plans for National Night Out set for Tuesday, October 10, 2023, 6:00 - 8:00 PM on the lawn at Sibley Town Hall.

Alan Myers motioned to adjourn, Richard Davis seconded. Motion carried.

The session was adjourned.

Attest

original signed
Jimmy Williams

original signed
Linda Christy

Jimmy Williams
Mayor

Linda Christy
Deputy Clerk

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ORDINANCE NO. 50-E

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AN ORDINANCE ADDING TO ORDINANCE 50-D PROVIDING FOR VICIOUS DOGS, DANGEROUS DOGS, AND DOGS AT LARGE WITHIN THE TOWN LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SIBLEY AND TO DEFINE PENALTIES OF THE ABOVE-MENTIONED DOGS.

BE IT ORDAINED and acted upon by the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Sibley, Louisiana, in regular session convened herein on the 9th day of October, 2023, as follows to wit:

SECTION 1: OWNERSHIP OF A DOG

The owner of a dog shall be considered any individual who has a right of property in an animal, or who keeps an animal in his care, harbors an animal, acts as a custodian by feeding and watering an animal, or who permits an animal to remain on or about his/her premises. No person shall allow or permit any dog in his/her possession, or kept by the person about his premises, to run at large on any unenclosed land, or trespass upon any unenclosed or enclosed land which is the property of another person. At-large dogs not in compliance shall be subject to impoundment.

SECTION 2: DANGEROUS DOGS

Dangerous dogs shall be defined as any dog that when unprovoked, shall be deemed a dangerous dog if it:

1. Bites, injuries, or inflicts a bite on a human being or domestic animal either upon public property or those areas of private property that are unfenced and normally accessible to the public.
2. Chases or approaches a person upon the streets, sidewalks, or public grounds in a terrorizing or menacing fashion or the apparent attitude of attack.
3. Bites or injures animals or persons authorized to enter upon the owner's premises such as letter carriers, meter readers, trash collectors, repair persons, delivery persons, or business customers provided that the persons are authorized to enter upon the owner's premises, this shall not include unauthorized intruders such as burglars or trespassers in the owner's house or apartment or within a fenced area on the premises not normally accessible to the public.
4. A dangerous dog must be securely confined indoors or in a securely fenced enclosure, pen, or structure which is locked, to prevent the dog from coming into contact with a person or another animal. The enclosures shall provide a humane existence for the dog and protection from the elements. The enclosures must be physical in nature, not invisible or electronic.

SECTION 3: VICIOUS DOGS DESCRIPTION

1. Any dog is considered a vicious dog which has attacked and caused severe and gross injuries or death to a human being.
2. A dog that has been classified as "dangerous" in Section 2, and is found to be at large more than two times.
3. A dog that has exhibited behavior which enables Town of Sibley employees or animal control to reasonably conclude that the animal may not safely coexist with people. No dog shall be deemed vicious simply because of its breed.

SECTION 4: ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES

1. In enforcing the provisions of the ordinance, the animal control officials are authorized to enter private property without warrant to pursue, capture, or otherwise apprehend animals subject to impoundment. This authority to enter does not include inhabited structures unless other justifications dictate immediate entry.
2. All parish sheriffs, police officers employed by the Town of Sibley, and animal control officers have the authority to enforce provisions of this section.
3. The penalty for a dog at-large shall be considered a misdemeanor and a fine of seventy-five dollars (\$75) per offense.
4. The penalty for dangerous or vicious dogs running at-large shall be the capture of and impoundment of the dog.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This ordinance was read and introduced at a regular session on September 18, 2023 and upon a motion made by Wayne Bolton and seconded by Richard Davis, passed and adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

YEAS: 4 - Alan Myers, Richard Davis, Helen Chanler, Wayne Bolton
NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 - Robert Smart ABSTAINED: 0

WHEREUPON the presiding officer declared the above ordinance duly adopted on this 9th day of October, 2023.

ATTEST:

original signed
Jimmy Williams

original signed
Linda Christy

Jimmy Williams
Mayor

Linda Christy
Deputy Clerk

Town Of Sibley
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ORDINANCE NO. 152-A

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CERTAIN ROADWAYS WITHIN THE TOWN OF SIBLEY TO PROHIBIT THRU TRUCK TRAFFIC AND TO PROVIDE FOR A PENALTY IN VIOLATION THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Sibley, Louisiana in regular session duly convened herein on the 9th day of October, 2023, as follows, to wit to completely replace Ordinance No. 107.

SECTION I.

1. It shall be illegal for any person, firm, partnership, company, or business association to drive or permit to be driven upon Crichton Road, Jones Street, Weatherston Street, Northeast 2nd Avenue, Northeast 5th Avenue, Northeast Natchitoches Street, and South Natchitoches Street in any vehicle that possesses more than two axles (trucks), within the town limits of Sibley, Webster Parish, Louisiana. School buses, emergency vehicles, delivery vehicles, and service vehicles shall be excluded from this ordinance. The streets listed shall have signage stating NO THRU TRUCKS posted along the roadway.
2. Any person, firm, corporation, partnership, or business association who or which shall violate this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and after conviction thereof, shall be punished by fine of not less than \$200.00, no more than \$500.00, or imprisonment for up to but not in excess of thirty

(30) days or both, for each violation. Each day on which the violation shall continue shall be deemed a separate offense.

3. In addition to other remedies provided, the Town of Sibley shall be entitled to seek a temporary restraining order or writ of injunction prohibiting and enjoining any person, firm, partnership, corporation or other business association from continuing to violate this ordinance or from utilization of heavy vehicles with more than two axles provided herein, and in addition, the Town of Sibley shall be permitted to pursue a civil claim for damages to the public streets or for any damages caused or occasioned as a result of the usage by heavy traffic referred to hereinabove.

SECTION II.

All other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed and amended.

SECTION III.

If any provisions or items of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end the provision of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

SECTION IV.

This ordinance shall be made effective on October 9, 2023.

This ordinance was introduced at the September 18, 2023, Regular Session. A public hearing was held, and considered for adoption at the October 9, 2023, Regular Session upon a motion by Wayne Bolton, seconded by Helen Chanler passed and adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

YEAS: - 4 - Alan Myers, Richard Davis, Helen Chanler, Wayne Bolton
NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 - Robert Smart ABSTAIN: 0

Attest

original signed
Jimmy Williams

original signed
Linda Christy

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Mayor

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ORDINANCE NO. 155

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CERTAIN PROTECTED COVENANT FOR THE LANE MEADOWS SUBDIVISION WITHIN THE TOWN LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SIBLEY, PARISH OF WEBSTER, STATE OF LOUISIANA, HERewith

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Sibley, Louisiana, in Regular Session convened on October 9, 2023, as follows to-wit:

The Town of Sibley, Parish of Webster, State of Louisiana, has invested in 5.08 tract of land to be subdivided into twenty-one (21) lots for a housing subdivision. The following covenant regulations shall be applied to each lot and/or owner.

All lots shall be sold for the sole purpose of construction of permanent residential housing. No lot shall be divided from the original layout plots as described within the Lane Meadows Plat of Survey. This subdivision located within the Corporate Limits of the Town of Sibley shall have water, sewer, and streets provided by the Town of Sibley.

Residential use provided herein provides no lot shall be used for any purpose other than as a permanent residence. No lot shall be used for itinerant, temporary or commercial lodging or boarding. Manufactured homes or mobile homes are not permitted. Storage buildings shall be allowed provided they are located in the rear of the property behind the residential house. Commercial and business shall not be permitted within this residential subdivision. Individuals may work from the residential house.

Dwelling size shall be a single structure not less than fifteen hundred (1,500) square feet under roof on a lot.

All property line set backs shall be twenty (20) feet from the street property line and shall be a minimum of six (6) feet from the remaining property lines.

Roofs shall all be gable style using shingles or fabricated metal products.

Exterior air conditioning or heating must be substantially screened from view from the street.

Chimneys shall be constructed of permanent materials, such as brick, veneer, stucco or Dryvit®, and not wood. Chimneys are required to have a finished top that is corbelled or step out to create a capped look. In the case of a prefabricated fireplace assembly, the chimney cap design should be accurately depicted on the plans and the material required to be copper or substitute non-painted metal.

Driveway and garage shall be constructed to accommodate the residential parking.

There shall be no personal vehicles parked overnight on the streets of Lane Meadows Subdivision. Temporary parking for gatherings shall be permitted.

Utilities shall be underground from the service to the residence. Water and sewer service shall be attached to the Town of Sibley systems.

Swimming pools, playground equipment, and batting cages shall be in the rear of the residence protected from view.

Boats and boat trailers shall be stored behind the residence and shall be prohibited from parking on the street.

No truck in excess of one (1) ton shall be allowed, with the exception of emergency vehicles, delivery vehicles, service vehicles, and school buses.

This Ordinance was introduced by title at the September 18, 2023, Regular Session of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen. Notice of the Public Hearing was published in the Minden Press Herald on October 4, 2023. A public hearing was held on October 9, 2023. This ordinance was read and considered at the October 9, 2023, Regular Session of the Mayor and Board of Alderman and upon a motion made by Richard Davis and seconded by Alan Myers, passed and adopted by the following yea and nay vote:

YEAS: 4 - Alan Myers, Richard Davis, Helen Chanler, Wayne Bolton
NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 - Robert Smart ABSTAIN: 0

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

November 13, 2023
Posted October 11, 2023

A public hearing will be held during the Regular Town Council Meeting on Monday, November 13, 2023, at 6:00 PM in the Sibley Town Hall Council Meeting Room, 345 North Main Street, Sibley, Louisiana, for the purpose of considering the adoption of:

Proposed Ordinance No. 156 titled AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF LANE MEADOWS SUBDIVISION OF THE TOWN OF SIBLEY, WEBSTER PARISH, LOUISIANA HERewith

The public is invited to attend.

Linda Christy
Deputy Clerk

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