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COMMUNITY

It's Christmas time in Minden



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Christmas in Minden was a big hit last weekend. The event kicked off on Friday with a tree lighting ceremony. Mayor Nick Cox said, "I want to wish y'all a merry Christmas. I hope this season is full of joy and happiness and laughter and good times." Cydni's School of Dance then performed, and the hayride gave guided tours through the Historic District. Participants enjoyed the Wine Walk and the Reindeer Run, and Brick Street Coffee was serving up hot chocolate and donuts. Saturday's festivities included a brunch at Geaux Fresh, hot chocolate at the Broken Bean, a vendor market on Pearl Street, photos with Santa and Mrs. Claus at the Warehouse, and ornament crafting at the Dorcheat Museum. That evening, Amanda Shaw played fiddle at the Civic Center, and the Savior Christmas Concert was performed at First Baptist Church. The weekend wrapped up on Sunday night with the Christmas parade through downtown Minden followed by a fireworks display. In the parade, TNT Allstars won Best Marching Group, the Minden High School band won Best Band, Living Word of Minden won Spectacular Sparkles, and the Calvary Baptist Church won the Santa's Award.

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

MPD requests help of citizens in apprehension of a suspicious person

WILL PHILLIPS
Minden Press-Herald

Tuesday afternoon the City of Minden held an urgent press-conference in order to inform citizens of a new threat to the city's Christmas spirit this holiday season. During the conference, Mayor Nick Cox along with Police Chief Jared McIver warned citizens of a suspect who has been sighted in the local area and urged residents to help local law enforcement find and apprehend him.

"We have a particular situation. Christmas in Minden was so successful ... and this has caught the attention of a lot of tourism. Outside people have noticed how beautiful our city is, and that's thanks to the hard work of a lot of city workers," said Mayor Cox.

"But with the good comes the bad, and we've also caught the attention of some people, or in particular, one certain situation that has started

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IMPROVEMENT

Louisiana DOTD to enhance safety on Homer Road with new turn signals

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Minden Press-Herald

The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (La DOTD) is set to introduce two left-turn signals at critical intersections along Homer Road in Minden. The affected intersections are the Fort Street intersection (Brookshires) and the Fincher Road intersection (Walgreens), both identified for a history of left-turn-related incidents.

La DOTD is currently preparing the necessary equipment for this modification. As part of the safety initiative, the traffic-light timings will be adjusted along the stretch from the Broadway/Hom-

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GRANT



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The REC was awarded a Community Outreach grant totaling \$22,000 from Town & Country Health & Rehab. It will be used to replace outdoor basketball backboards.

Minden REC secures \$22,000 community outreach grant from Town & Country

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The Minden REC has been awarded a Community Outreach grant totaling \$22,000 from Town & Country Health & Rehab. The grant aligns with Town & Country's commitment to supporting the com-

munities where their facilities are located.

The grant will be used to replace the REC's outdoor basketball backboards throughout Minden, alongside the provision for new soccer goals in select locations.

This financial boost from Town & Country

Health & Rehab reflects an effort to promote recreational activities and healthful lifestyles within the community. The Minden REC expresses gratitude for the support and looks forward to implementing these improvements for the benefit of Minden's residents.

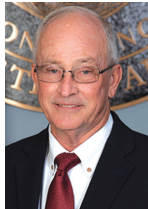
WPPJ

Webster Parish Police Jury approves ordinance changes; wishes Davison and Cox and fond farewell

AMBER MCDOWN
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The December 5 meeting of the Webster Parish Police Jury (WPPJ) was relatively routine with committee reports containing fewer announcements than usual. The board of jurors approved some invoices for payment, the minutes of the November 7 road committee, finance committee, building and grounds, as well as last month's regular meeting.

They also approved the adoption of Webster Parish Ordinance 1020 with its mergers and redefining of the territorial limits of precincts and polling places in Webster Parish. While a number of precincts were combined, the mergers should create little change for voters in the upcoming spring



BONSALL

elections.

"None of the locations will be changed," said Webster Parish Police Jury President Jim Bonsall. "It's not going to be a hardship on anybody to get to their voting place if they haven't had a hardship before now."

The board approved recreation funding in the following amounts: District 10 received \$500 for the Webster Parish Council on Aging-Meals on Wheels program supplies; District 11 received \$600 for the Village of Hefflin Police Department to purchase vests, radios, and utility pouches; District 6 received \$500 for the Dorcheat Museum; and District 1 received \$1,000 for the Council on Aging in Springhill.

Ethel Smith was reappointed to a five-year term on the Webster Parish Library Board of Control. Melinda Davidson's appointment as director of the Office of Community Services was approved for 2024, and she was

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LIONS CLUB

Fibrebond expands operations in Minden, investing \$43 million in growth

AMBER MCDOWN
Minden Press-Herald

Patrick Caraway, vice president and chief financial officer of Fibrebond, addressed the Minden Lions Club on December 7, shedding light on the company's current \$43 million expansion initiative. Fibrebond, founded by Claud Walker in 1982, has been a key player in manufacturing engineered-to-order buildings, catering to the data center, fiber, industrial, utility, and wireless markets.

Caraway commended the strong work ethic of the workforce in northwest Louisiana, emphasizing the pivotal role they play in the company's success.

"There is nowhere else in the country that we see the work ethic that people have in northwest Louisiana," said Caraway. "I wouldn't trade these people for the world. It's the guys out there in the plant that make this happen."

With over 500 employees, Fibrebond significantly contributes to the

local economy, employing nearly 300 residents of Webster Parish and approximately 150 from adjacent parishes, along with over 200 electrical and mechanical contract workers.

In 2023 alone, Fibrebond made a substantial economic impact, disbursing over \$10 million to vendors in Minden. Caraway attributes this success to the company having a single manufacturing facility located in northwest Louisiana.

Despite facing adversity in 1998 when a fire devastated their facility, Fibrebond rebounded with resilience, reopening a new plant within 11 months. Over the years, they diversified their product line, manufacturing innovative precast concrete and steel products for various applications in the data center and industrial markets.

The current expansion involves adding 74 acres, totaling 253 acres, and enhancing infrastructure. This includes increasing parking capacity by 178 spaces, introducing a



90,000 square foot high-performance concrete slab for larger industrial assemblies, and expanding the warehouse building by 80,000 square feet. Automation upgrades include an integrated beam line and a 100-foot plasma table with two robotic heads for in-house steel plate processing.

Beams up to 71 feet in length will be automatically conveyed to one of six welding stations, each with its own 20-ton overhead crane.

Recognizing the environmental impact of their operations, Fibrebond is integrating sustainability measures by incorporating a one-megawatt so-

lar array to self-generate renewable power. The expansion, slated for completion in 2024, will double Fibrebond's capacity for data center and industrial projects, solidifying its position as a cornerstone of economic growth in Minden, Louisiana.

The Lions Club has in-

teresting speakers every Thursday at noon. They meet at the American Legion Memorial Hall located at 119 Pine Street, and they welcome new members who share the mission of community service in Minden.

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Obituaries

John F. Kennedy
John F. Kennedy of Brookline, Massachusetts. Services were held at Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle, 1795 Rhode Island Avenue NW, Washington DC on November 25, 1963 at 11:00 a.m. Interment was at Arlington Memorial Cemetery.

Richard Belzer
Richard Belzer, the longtime stand-up comedian who became one of TV's most indelible detectives as John Munch in "Homicide: Life on the Street" and "Law & Order: SVU," has died. He was 78. Belzer died Sunday at his home in Beaulieu-sur-Mer, in southern France. There was no known cause of death, but Belzer had been dealing with circulatory and respiratory issues. The actor Henry Winkler, Belzer's cousin, tweeted, "Rest in peace Richard. Belzer is survived by his third wife, the actress Harlee McBride, whom he married in 1985. For the past 20 years, they lived mostly in France."

Marilyn Monroe
Marilyn Monroe was born Norma Jean Mortenson on June 1, 1926, in Los Angeles General Hospital. She died on August 5, 1962, at the age of 36. She made only 30 films in her lifetime, but her legendary status will remain with film history forever. In 1942, at the age of 16, Norma Jean married 21-year-old aircraft plant worker James Dougherty. The marriage only lasted four years, and they divorced in 1946. By this time Marilyn began to model swimsuits. Bit parts in the only movie followed. In 1951, Marilyn got a fairly sizable role in "Love Nest." In 1952, she made "Monkey Business," where she was seen for the first time as a platinum blonde, a look that became her trademark. Over the next decade she made a series of classic movies, including "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes," "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," and "The Seven Year Itch," and became an unmatched sex symbol and superstar. In 1953, Marilyn married American baseball legend Joe DiMaggio. The union lasted only eight months. In "The Seven Year Itch," Marilyn finally showed critics that she was also a serious dramatic role. It was also the same year she married playwright Arthur Miller. After a year off in straight dramatic roles, she returned to the screen in 1958 with "Some Like It Hot." This was to be the delightful comedy. "Some Like It Hot" was the Marilyn's only film for the year. Her last film, "The Misfits," (1961) was popular with critics and the public alike.

Abraham Lincoln
Abraham Lincoln was born February 12, 1809, in Hardin County, Kentucky. He was the son of Thomas Lincoln and Nancy Lincoln. Abraham grew up with his brother Thomas Lincoln, Jr. and his sister Sarah Lincoln Grigsby. Abraham spent his early years on a family farm in southern Indiana. Lincoln worked as a boatman, a store clerk, a surveyor, militia soldier, and eventually became a lawyer in Illinois. He was elected to the Illinois legislature in 1834. He married his lovely wife, Mary Todd Lincoln, in 1842. They had four sons together: Robert Todd Lincoln, Tad Lincoln, William Wallace Lincoln, and Edward Baker Lincoln. Abraham was a very loving father and husband, he always thought of his family before himself. Lincoln continued his political career and became the United States House of Representatives from Illinois in 1846. In 1860, Abraham was elected president of the United States. During his presidency, Lincoln is best known for abolishing slavery. As he sat in a play on April 15, 1865, at the end of the Civil War, Lincoln was shot and killed by an assassin. Abraham Lincoln will always be remembered - gone but never forgotten.

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Minden man arrested on drug charges
By Minden Press-Herald - Feb 20, 2023



A Minden man was arrested on drug charges after a Minden police officer spotted the man's erratic driving.

Jakoren Jones, 28, of the 600 block of Goodwill Street was initially seen running the stop sign at Pershing and East Street.

"I observed a silver Ford Fusion run the stop sign at Pershing and East Street," the officer reported. "The car struggled to maintain its lane and

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OBITUARIES



Bernice Virginia Underwood

A visitation for Bernice Virginia Underwood were held Friday, December 8, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. with a celebration of life service followed at 11:00 a.m. at Rose Neath Funeral Home Chapel in Minden, Louisiana. Interment will followed at Minden Cemetery in Minden, Louisiana.

Bernice was born January 9, 1938, in Minden, Louisiana. She was a lifelong member of Calvary Missionary Baptist Church.

Bernice Virginia Underwood, loving wife, beloved mother, and cherished Nana left this life in the early

morning hours of December 6, 2023, surrounded by her family. We are rejoicing knowing she is now resting in the arms of her Lord and Savior. She spent many hours nurturing various flowers and plants, beautifying God's creation. She had a servant's heart and lived her life dedicated to serving her Lord. Her greatest joy was her family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Era and Rueben P. Miller, sister, Martha Wynn, and brothers, Jimmy Miller and Carrol Miller.

She is survived by her husband, Lynn Underwood of Minden; son, Bruce Underwood and wife Tami of Magnolia, AR; daughters, Debra Domerese and husband Marty, of Emerson, AR, and Renee Cottrell and husband William of Minden; grandchildren, Matthew Underwood and wife Kadi, Amanda Underwood, Luke Cottrell, and Hunter Cottrell, and great-grandchildren Walker Underwood and baby sister, Wrenley on the way.

Virginia Jinks Newman

Virginia Jinks Newman of Minden, LA passed away December 7, 2023, to be with her heavenly Father. Virginia was born April 9, 1936, to the late Harvey and Willie Mae Jinks in Rayville, Louisiana. She lived there through the 6th grade and then moved to Natchez, Mississippi. She graduated from Natchez High School in 1954.

Virginia was married 52 years to the late James Edward Newman of Bude Mississippi. They moved to California in 1957, and returned to Louisiana in 1985, and lived out their lives.

Virginia was preceded in death by her sister Evelyn Jinks Brewer and husband W.J. of Minden, brothers,

Kenneth Lavelle Jinks and wife Mary of Dothan, Alabama and Carl Clayton Jinks and wife Sandra of Minden.

She is survived by her sons, Monte Newman of Minden and Eugene Scott Newman and wife Margie of Arizona; granddaughter, Jessica Newman Murdock and husband Chris; grandsons, James Colby Newman and Eugene Scott Newman, Jr; great-grandson Rowan Tristan Murdock, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation was Monday, December 11, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. with services followed at 11:00 a.m. at Heflin Baptist Church in Heflin, Louisiana with Bro. Ronnie Osborne officiated. Interment was at Bistineau Cemetery in Heflin, Louisiana under the direction of Rose Neath Funeral Home in Minden, Louisiana.

WPSB

Malea Geis named Employee of the Month in Webster Parish School Board meeting

AMBER MCDOWN
Minden Press-Herald

In recognition of her commitment to her students and colleagues, Malea Geis, a special education teacher at Central Elementary School, was honored as the Employee of the Month during the Webster Parish School Board's December 4 meeting.

The accolade was presented by Kevin Thompson of Taylor and Sons, who shared sentiments from Ms. Geis' recommendation letter. Thompson read,

"Ms. Geis is a dedicated and caring member of our staff. She never hesitates to help out when asked, including assisting her fellow teachers and the administration. Ms. Geis is a tireless advocate for her students. Her caring spirit and consideration for others are why I am recommending her for the Employee of the Month."

The Webster Parish School Board applauds Ms. Geis for her service and congratulates her on this well-deserved honor.



GOVERNMENT

Louisiana legislative task force looking for reforms on high-speed pursuits

(The Center Square) – Members of a legislative task force are mulling several potential reforms for high-speed police pursuits following the death of two teens in December.

The Task Force on Safety for Law Enforcement Officers Involved in High-Speed Chases on Friday heard from Jim Craft, executive director of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement, and Tim Morgan with Pursuit Alert, a technology to alert drivers of high-speed pursuits.

The task force was created through a Senate resolution approved in the 2023 legislative session in response to a New Year's Eve crash that killed two teens and injured a third. Maggie Dunn, 17, and Caroline Gill, 15, cheerleaders at Brusly High School, died; Liam Dunn, Maggie's brother, was injured.

The chase involved Baton Rouge and Addis Police officers' pursuit of a stolen vehicle. Officer David Couthron crashed into the vehicle with the teens. Both Couthron, who worked for the police department in Addis, and

the driver who initiated the chase, Tyquel Zanders, 24, were charged with crimes in the incident.

Couthron resigned in January and faces six charges at trial scheduled for March 18.

Craft discussed the benefits and drawbacks of various programs, technologies, policies and training to reduce accidents and injuries related to officer-involved high-speed vehicle pursuits in Louisiana.

"Police academies are required in this state to present a minimum of four hours of training on emergency driving," he said, adding that annual in-service training of 20 hours per year can also include driving. "That should be a part of their in-service training."

While agencies have discretion over 12 hours of in-service training, many are priced out of hands-on training on aggravated flight.

"That training is so expensive," he said. "You beat up the tires, you beat up the cars."

Craft suggests all law enforcement agencies

should have restrictive pursuit policies, with limits on pursuits for certain circumstances and provisions for when they should be terminated.

While Craft said the policies "should be limited to the most serious of crimes," he acknowledged that "what we've seen is the people being pursued have been more and more reckless."

"They can really put the public safety of a community at risk," he said.

Spike strips, "arrest mats," and devices to change traffic signals are also available but require funds and training to use effectively, Craft said.

Task force members noted that funding for law enforcement training is on the decline and noted that there currently is no required training for supervisors, who play a critical role in high-speed pursuits.

Task force Chair Sen. Caleb Kleinpeter, R-Port Allen, also pointed to the current penalty for aggravated flight that some argue is insufficient.

"Today the max is five years for aggravated flight, and I don't think

that's enough," he said. "It should match the penalties of why you are running."

Morgan with Pursuit Alert explained how the company's product, which is installed in police cruisers can alert drivers in the vicinity of high-speed chases to clear traffic and prevent collisions, technology that's currently in place in numerous police departments in multiple states.

Parents of the teens killed in December testified to their frustrating experience in the aftermath. They stressed the need for more accountability and more training to avoid similar outcomes in the future.

"To me the biggest part is accountability, and that's zero funding," said Maggie's mother, Erin Martin. "I just want to make sure no other mom gets a call like I got that day."

The task force will review potential reforms and compile recommendations for lawmakers to consider in the 2024 legislative session.



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noticing our city."

The mayor went on to provide a description of the suspect, and what citizens will need to be on the lookout for.

"During this holiday season I'd like for you to be particularly on the lookout for any green hairy individuals. Also keep a watchout for odd looking things such as dogs with horns strapped to their heads with rope," said Mayor Cox.

"Neighbors need to watch out for one another and keep an eye out. We need to work closely with law enforcement officials during this season. As your mayor, I want you to know that we are not going to let anyone steal our Christmas spirit this year."

Chief McIver then started providing more details about the situation, confirming the description the mayor had presented along with how citizens can help the police department apprehend the individual.

"The mayor has told everyone today about some information that we have. As a department, we've been receiving intelligence from local neighboring agencies about a subject who may possibly be coming to our town," said Chief McIver.

"This subject, as the mayor described, is green, hairy, may even be wearing some red and white. The information we have is that this subject is not dangerous to people, but he's dangerous to the Christmas spirit. Because of that, we want you to remain vigilant, we want you to be looking out for him."

The chief then gave instructions to citizens to call 318-510-4701 to inform them of any sighting of the green and hairy suspect.

"You're encouraged to call anytime that you may see someone resembling this subject. You may get a recording, and if you do leave a message of where you saw that individual, where at, what they were doing, and a date and time," said Chief McIver.

"This is going to help us as a local law enforcement agency to hopefully apprehend him to keep him from stealing the spirit of Christmas. Again, this subject is not a danger to anyone, just to the spirit of Christmas, so we need your help in trying to apprehend this subject to save the Christmas Spirit of Minden."

This is an ongoing investigation and the Minden Press-Herald will be providing more updates on the story as information becomes publicly available.

JURY

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given authority to sign documents on behalf of that organization.

The final agenda item was the approval of the update to the use agreement for ABC & 123 HeadStart in Claiborne Parish.

Next the committee reports were given.

Melinda Davidson with the Office of Community Services announced that the Section 8 Housing waiting list is open.

Wanda Finley with HeadStart noted that enrollment in their program is climbing in Claiborne Parish. Funding limits enrollment to 232 children.

Savannah Jones of Webster Parish Libraries noted that the summer reading program training for the state will be held in Minden, possibly for the first time ever.

Serena Gray of Webster Parish Tourism noted that the Sibley kayak launch is planned to be installed in March, 2024, once the water level rises sufficiently.

The coroner's office reported 40 deaths in November, which is about average.

Col. Thompson of the Webster Parish Assessor's office reminded the board that property taxes are due at the end of this month.

Shakira Williams from the LSU Ag Center spoke next, reporting that they have an opening for a 4H agent. The position closes December 15, and the position can be applied for at www.lsuagcenter.com. Job Opportunities can be found under the Services tab. The center is also investigating way to improve the 4H live-

stock program, and it is holding a food safety class at the Council on Aging.

Brian Williams from the Office of Emergency Preparedness reported that they have received the Starlink equipment which will be used by emergency personnel in case of an internet outage, they have received the Claiborne Electric grant to purchase portable radios which can be used during major incidents and loaned to agencies without this equipment, and they have recently completed a cyber security workshop. During this workshop they have discovered that many of the smaller municipalities are unable to afford on-call IT staff, so his department is investigating using a collaborative effort to help them protect and maintain their systems.

Jessica Gorman of the Dorcheat Museum presented the final committee report. It has been a fairly quiet month at the museum with a few out of town visitors and some small items donated to the museum. They now have a scanner and laptop which will be available, starting in January, for the public to use.

The meeting ended with well wishes and thanks to Vera Davison and Cayla Cox who will be leaving the police jury at the end of this month. Davison is retiring after many years serving on the jury and will be replaced by Tan Grigsby. Cox, who took over for Nick Cox when he was elected mayor, will be replaced by Nancy Hines.

SIGNALS

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er Road intersection to the Cline Street/Homer Road intersection. This measure aims to ensure

a seamless traffic flow while addressing safety concerns at the specified intersections.

Engineer Brandon Greco from La DOTD stated,

"Our crews are currently testing our equipment to make sure everything is working properly before we install the new turn arrows. We are looking

to get both intersections done and timings for the whole corridor updated before Christmas."

OPINION

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OPINION

Definitions matter

U.S. Supreme Court case poses an important constitutional question: what constitutes ‘income?’

The U.S. Supreme Court heard oral arguments this past week in what observers have deemed the most important tax case in decades. To answer the question at issue in the case—whether Congress can tax unrealized capital gains as if they were income—the Court will need to define what “income” actually is.

I find this case intriguing both because of my general disdain for over-taxation and over-regulation that Americans are burdened with every day but also because, in deciding this case, the Court will need to examine the U.S. Constitution.

I begin by sharing that our Constitution did not originally allow for the taxation of income. In fact, the Constitution originally permitted only two classes of taxation: 1. Direct taxes, which must be apportioned among the states in proportion to their populations; and 2. “indirect” taxes, specifically duties, imposts, and excises, which must be uniform throughout the country. Only because of the later 16th Amendment is Congress able to impose income taxes on people (as opposed to businesses or other entities). (N. Siegel and Steven J. Willis, National Constitution Center).

These “direct” taxes are specifically laid out in Article 1, Section 9 which states that “no capitation,

or other direct tax shall be laid, unless in proportion to the Census or Enumeration ...” The “indirect” taxes are specifically laid out in Article 1, Section 8 which states that the “Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes, duties, imposts and excises to pay the debts and provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States—but all duties, imposts and excises shall be uniform throughout the United States.”

Well, before the 16th Amendment, Congress did not want to be limited in its ability to tax based upon a state’s population nor did it want to be required to see that its taxes were uniform throughout the country. These constitutional requirements created obstacles. So, those in Congress who wanted the federal government to be able to tax individual income circumvented those restrictions with the passing of the 16th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution which states: “The Congress shall have the power to lay and collect taxes on incomes, from whatever source de-

rived, without apportionment among the several states, and without regard to any census or enumeration.” The 16th Amendment was passed and successfully ratified on February 3, 1913, establishing Congress’s right to impose a federal income tax. With this in mind, we will return to the Supreme Court case at issue. The case is Moore v. U.S., and it involves a simple set of facts. As recounted in the Wall Street Journal, “in 2006, Charles and Kathleen Moore invested \$40,000 in an 11% equity interest in a foreign corporation. Between 2006 and 2017, the company was profitable but reinvested all its earnings in the business. The Moores thus didn’t receive dividends or any other income from the investment.” Well, “under the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, the Moores became subject to a new federal levy called the ‘mandatory repatriation tax’ applicable to investors in overseas corporations This new tax treated their allocable share of the corporation’s undistributed earnings as if they were actually received by the shareholders.” (Emphasis added) (H. Adler and L. Willis, WSJ, Dec. 5, 2023).

The obvious legal issue facing the Court is how these completely unrealized “gains” can be taxed as “income.” Simply, how can

so-called “income” be taxed if it is never received? In fact, “if realization is no longer a requirement for taxable income, then ‘income tax’ has no boundaries in the Constitution, and Congress can directly tax wealth.” (Id. WSJ, 12-05-23).

I note that property taxes are comparable to taxes on unrealized capital gains since such taxes are imposed without a sale of the house. However, as a policy matter, such taxes are justified based upon the need for the taxing entity, generally the city or parish, to establish a source of funding to provide police, fire, public education, and other community and municipal services.

The Supreme Court has not taken on a tax case of this potential significance in many years. The pro-tax naysayers claim the Court’s “meddling” in this issue could cause the Court to also examine other sections of the Internal Revenue Code. Would that it were. And soon. The Court would do a great service to the American taxpayer by simply (re) defining income in the historic fashion it’s been understood.

SHREVEPORT ATTORNEY, ROYAL ALEXANDER, WORKED IN D.C. IN THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR NEARLY 8 YEARS FOR TWO DIFFERENT MEMBERS OF CONGRESS FROM LOUISIANA.

INSPIRATION

The right words at the right time

Having just read The Right Words at the Right Time, edited by Marlo Thomas, tells how her father, Danny Thomas, told her how to win the race by keeping her blinders on, which made all the difference in her life as an actress, reminding me of Nicholas Sparks who said “we sit silently and watch the world around us. This takes a lifetime to learn. It seems only the old are able to sit next to one another and not say anything and still feel content. Speaking from experience I believe young people are often insecure and appear to need to break the silence, instead of realizing silence is pure. Silence is holy. It draws people together because only those who are comfortable with each other can sit without speaking. This is the great paradox.”

Max Ehrmann, born in 1872, the author of Desiderata said “Go placidly amid the noise and haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence. As far as possible without surrender be on good

terms with all persons. Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even the dull and the ignorant; they too have their story.”

I have had this poem in my collection since high school in Tulsa, back in the 60’s when my speech teacher, Shirl White, gave it to us. If he wanted us to know something he would read it aloud. He was a master at keeping our attention and a role model in many ways, never counting the hours and effort he spent in nurturing our creative streak whether in acting or writing.

I have found one of the best ways to be happy with myself is to be “comfortable in my own skin.” It took me a lifetime to learn

that but it also liberates me, giving me a feeling of acceptance but also tends to help control blood pressure problems!

Why don’t we know more of these great truths when we are young? Perhaps insecurity is a great driving force in our life that helps us to achieve our goals while we learn these truths as we go along.

The problem of nit picking has been an age old issue considering that the Pharisees in Jesus time thought they had it down even accusing Jesus of sin because He ate with the publicans and sinners!

This is how it is and probably always will be.

I’ve observed that those who are often critical will sooner or later commit the same mistakes as the ones that they were most critical.

That’s my take on life. This attitude in churches often turns the “un-churched” away.

Some of these thoughts came to me after an accident in 2013. While leaning on my crutches, with pins still in my

foot, I stopped to scribble down these thoughts that have become a part of my philosophy.

Napoleon Hill, famous American motivational speaker, said “we become what we think about.”

Our thoughts and those of others impact our lives.

Max Ehrman also said “be gentle with yourself. You are no less than the trees and the stars. You have a right to be here.”

I feel at peace when I struggle with “situations” in my life that somehow have always worked out, giving me security in life even when I’ve felt all alone.

With all of my struggles, I am so blessed!

As I pillow my head I know that Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever and He always gets me to the right place at the right time.

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FROM THE BACK PORCH

It’s beginning to look a lot like Christmas

“It’s beginning to look a lot like Christmas. Everywhere you go....”

I love seeing all the colored lights, the different decorations, and all the houses seemingly in competition for the best decorations in their neighborhood.

My Christmas decorations are few but enough that I enjoy sitting and enjoying my tree. Our daughter has taken on the role of tree decorator for me, and she doesn’t have a lot to work with. Regardless, she creates a beautiful addition to our living room. The lights are turned on as soon as I get up and are turned off as we start to bed.

Our ornaments are meaningful ones as they have been collected through the years from friends, students and family members. The first ornament

to go on our tree is a little blue Harley motorcycle, in memory of our son who lost his life on his treasured Harley.



FANNIE MOORE

After that, others are placed in no particular order, but they are all colorful and when they are all in place, it is a beautiful sight.

We are enjoying the tree and a few other decorations as we look forward to this Holy Season.

Usually all our family gathers at our house on Christmas Eve where we enjoy a special meal, in addition to several plates of

candies and other snack items. The children look forward to the snacks as they are usually reserved for Christmas and are not made any other time of the year.

I have just begun to make the snacks and today I made what is called Addictive Tidbits made with oyster crackers. These are usually served with Jalapeno Weiners and small bits of cheese.

Tomorrow I will begin making candy, the first of which will be Martha Washington and Peanut Butter cups. I usually make several different kinds as everyone has a favorite. Some like no nuts, some eat walnuts, some peanuts and almost all will eat pecans.

A few gifts have been purchased but not all and none are wrapped and placed under

the tree. Some of the family will not be with us but they will visit other family members or else have family members coming to visit them. The ones who will be here will be welcomed with a big hug from Pa and Mimi and then we will enjoy an evening together.

The holiday will not be all joy and happiness as there are those who have lost loved ones in the past few days and some have had family members injured in a horrific accident. Some family members are suffering from dreaded health problems and this will hamper the celebrations for their families.

Regardless of our situation at this time, we must remember the true reason we celebrate. Not to have rich foods and open presents from friends or loved

ones, but to remember that blessed birth of the Christ Child so many years ago.

He came to be our Savior and we will remember this special Child, born in a manger. The angels proclaimed his birth to the shepherds who “watched their sheep by night”. We will celebrate this with special choir music and presentations depicting the birth of this Holy one.

As we are so busy getting ready for our family to gather, let’s take time to try and make it a little better for those who are alone, sad or suffering at this time.

From our family to yours, we wish you a Merry Christmas.

FANNIE MOORE LIVES IN SHONGALOO.

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL



ROBERT SUMMERLIN/SPECIAL TO THE PRESS-HERALD
Minden's Darnell Morris (23) attempts to block a shot underneath the basket against Airline last week.



ROBERT SUMMERLIN/SPECIAL TO THE PRESS-HERALD
Minden's Travesti Byrd goes up for a shot against Airline. The Lady Tigers face Ringgold Wednesday in the Minden Holiday Classic.

24-team Minden Holiday Classic starts Wednesday

RUSSELL HEDGES
Minden Press-Herald

The 33rd annual Car Giant of Minden Minden Holiday Classic gets underway Wednesday.

The tournament features 12 boys and 12 girls teams.

The Holiday Classic is one of the few bracket tournaments left instead of just a series of games. Champions in both divisions will decide Saturday.

Three gyms will be used over the first three days — Minden High, Webster Junior High and the Minden Recreation Center.

(Records are through Sunday.)

Both host teams have a good chance of making it to the finals.

The Crimson Tide (6-2) open against North Webster (1-3) Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the Minden gym.

Minden split games last week, falling to Airline 56-48 on the road and defeating Haughton 64-55 at home.

The Lady Tigers (4-4) face Ringgold (3-4) at 6:40. They also split games last week, falling to Airline 55-48 on the road and defeating Richwood 54-49 at home.

The winners of both games advance to the semifinals of their respective divisions, which are Friday.

Ringgold (8-3), which won the Lakeside tournament, is Minden's most likely semifinal opponent in the boys division.

Calvary Baptist (6-3), the 2023 select Division III runner-up, is in the other half of the bracket along with Gibsland-Coleman (7-3), Lincoln Prep (2-1) and Class 5A Parkway (8-5).

Simsboro (12-3) and Richwood (6-5) are in Minden's half of the girls bracket.

Arcadia (10-0), a non-

select Division IV semifinalist last season, is in the other half of the bracket. The Lady Hornets face Loyola (3-6) Wednesday at 4 at Minden High with a spot in the semifinals on the line.

Gibsland-Coleman (4-6, which reached the non-select Division V quarterfinals last season, could face the winner for a spot in the title game.

The Lakeside boys and girls are also in the tournament.

The Lakeside boys picked up their first win last week, defeating Plain Dealing 40-35.

OUTDOORS

Naming deer stands takes imagination

GLYNN HARRIS

Calling 'em deer "stands" is a misnomer. Most of us don't stand; we sit. It'd make more sense to say we were going to climb a tree and hunt out of our deer "seat", which could be a chair, or stool, or board nailed between two branches.

However, we need to accept the fact that we climb and sit down in deer stands. Even the hunting catalogs call 'em deer "stands" so if they're good enough for Cabela's they ought to be good enough for us.

The first deer stand I ever used was one I built. By today's standards, climbing and sitting in the one I made would get you seriously maimed, or worse. To reach my perch 12 feet up in the tree, I drove spikes into the trunk (that activity today would get me banned from the club by the timber company owning the land), and once I reached my desired height, I nailed a two-by-four in a fork of the tree

for a place to sit. Admittedly, my hunts were of fairly short duration because the comfort level deteriorated rather quickly.

Today, while some hunters still construct their own stands, there are types of deer stands on the market that boggle the mind. There are box stands, ground blinds, climbing stands, lock-on stands, ladder stands, saddle stands and even one you pull on a trailer to your hunting site, hit a button and the stand on the trailer magically elevates for you to climb into and hunt.

Many of the stands we have used on our hunting club are stands members constructed and for sure, they're better made and safer than the spikes-in-the-tree; two by four seat from my early days of chasing deer.

Interestingly, we named most of our stands to coincide with either the location or the circumstances from which the stand originated.

One of the stands I used

was a ground blind I built and it had been dismantled, moved and reconstructed at least three times. I dismantled and moved the stand to my former hunting club in 2001, and in honor of the devastating event that took place that year on September 11, I call this stand Ground Zero.

Another of my stands, a box mounted atop a ladder, rested against a tree that was literally covered in poisonous green vines when the tree was selected. It's only natural that this stand was called Poison Oak.

Still another was a similar stand sitting against a tree on the banks of Sugar Creek, a stream that periodically floods and brings with it debris from who-knows-where. While getting the stand ready to place on the tree, I noticed an old light bulb lying in the leaves. It had washed in from somewhere. The name of this stand? Forty Watt.

Another of my stands was a tri-pod and the day I put it up, a pretty orange

Gulf Fritillary butterfly (I had to Google it to find out the name) came and lit on my finger. The tri-pod became the Butterfly Stand.

My good friend and hunting partner, George Seacrist, named all his stands from Running Wild to Bermuda Triangle to Indian Mound. One of his that caught my interest was a big roomy ground stand he set up down in the bottom along the creek. He called it Noah's Ark.

A couple of years later, he set up a box stand on the ridge above Noah's Ark and was pondering with me one day about a possible name. Hmmm...Noah's Ark is down in the bottom. Why not Mount Ararat on the ridge? George liked it and that's the new name it was given.

The next stand I build I'm going to call it the Ten Point Buck stand. Maybe if I name it that, I'll get that big one. If things turn out wrong, I guess I'll just call it the Dang-I-Missed-Him stand.

Fishing Report

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

BUSSEY BRAKE – The water is low and overall fishing is slow. For latest information, contact the Honey Hole at 323-8707.

OUACHITA RIVER – Crappie have been best fishing jigs or shiners around submerged tops in the river and in river lakes. Bass are best in the cuts fishing shad imitation lures. For latest information, contact the Honey Hole Tackle Shop at 323-8707.

LAKE D'ARBONNE

– With cooler weather dropping water temperatures, the crappie bite is on fishing the channels and channel edges in 14-16 foot water on shiners or jigs. Bass are moving to the secondary points and swim baits and soft plastics are picking up some nice fish. 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 lake is down some seven feet as the result of the drawdown. Crappie are moving to deep water out from the dam with shiners taking the most

fish while jigs are working fairly well. Bass fishing has fair this week as they too are starting to move deep. Billy Willis, Ruston, had one near 8 pounds. Boats can still be launched at the State Park launch.. For latest information, call Kel's Cove at 927-2264 or Terzia Tackle at 278-4498.

CANEY LAKE – Bass are moving to deeper water with best catches made on jigs, spoons and soft plastics. Crappie have been best around the deeper tops on shiners or jigs and they will also be headed for deeper water out from the dam as temperatures drop. 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 – Catfishing has been good. Crappie fishing has improved on both ends of the lake with the south end of the lake as well as around the slips starting to improve. No report on bass. For latest reports, call Poverty Point Marina at 318/878-0101.

LAKE YUCATAN – The water is low and fishing is quite slow this week. A few slab crappie have been caught on jigs and shiners. For information, call Surplus City Landing at 318/467-2259.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Six Glenbrook players first-team All-District 1-1A

RUSSELL HEDGES
Minden Press-Herald

Six Glenbrook players have been named to the All-District 1-1A first team selected by the district's coaches.

Seniors Chase Sentell and Garrett Brown made the first team on offense and defense.

Sentell was selected at flanker/wing and Brown at tight end and linebacker.

Glenbrook's other first-team selections were senior wide receiver Landry Powell, senior center Jackson Lott, junior defensive lineman Daivari Jackson and junior punter Seth Mangrum.

Sentell rushed for 723 yards on 97 carries and caught 25 passes for 507 yards, not including the second round playoff game against St. Mary's. He scored 13 rushing touchdowns and nine receiving.

Powell caught 28 passes for 438 yards and four touchdowns.

Glenbrook finished 8-3. The Apaches finished

third in the district behind non-select Division IV runner-up Haynesville and quarterfinalist Homer.

Powell was also named to the second team at linebacker. Junior Jackson Walker was a second-team selection at wide receiver and defensive back.

Glenbrook's other second-team selections were senior offensive tackle Spencer Brantley, freshman guard Nolan Still, junior placekicker Easton Sanders and junior defensive lineman Jonathan Bryant.

Haynesville senior running back/receiver Alonzo Jackson was named the Offensive MVP. He was named to the first team at athlete and also made the first-team defense at linebacker.

Homer senior defensive back Katrevick Banks was named the defensive MVP. He also made the first-team offense at receiver.

Note: For the full All-District 1-1A team go to press-herald.com.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

LSU QB Daniels wins Heisman

STAFF REPORTS
Minden Press-Herald

LSU senior quarterback Jayden Daniels is the 2023 Heisman Trophy winner.

Daniels, who transferred from Arizona State before the 2022 season, is LSU's second Heisman winner in the last five years.

Quarterback Joe Burrow won the award in 2019.

He was the first winner from LSU in 60 years. The late Billy Cannon won it in 1959.

The Heisman Trophy capped a week that saw Daniels win the Davey O'Brien Award, the Walter Camp Player of the Year, AP Player of the Year and the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award.


In 12 games in 2023, Daniels passed for 3,812 yards and 40 TDs. He also rushed for 1,134 yards.

CORRECTION

There was an error from the source in a story last week on the All-District 1-4A football team. Junior defensive lineman Demetrius Robinson was one of three Minden players named to the first

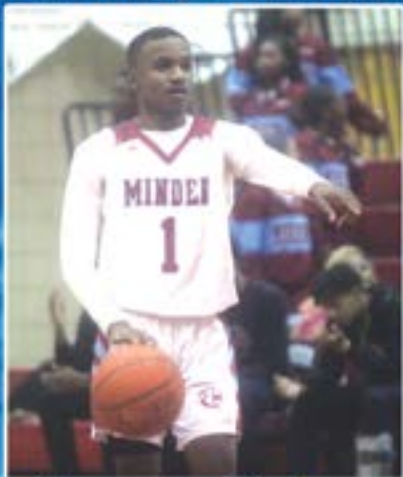
team. Junior running back Dunavon Robinson was named only to the second team.

The error was first corrected in a story posted on press-herald.com on Dec. 5.



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Minden Press-Herald & Holcomb's
ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Cameron Parker,
Minden, So.

Parker scored 19 points in a 64-55 victory over Haughton, helping the Crimson Tide improve to 6-2.

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

BLESSED ADVENT – BRINGING SALVATION AND NEW HOPE

Christmas – one night among millions, but it was enough to make us believe in miracles. There is no way our simple minds can comprehend the love God has for us. But that did not keep Him from coming to us in the form of a baby, born in a stall in Bethlehem. His name is Immanuel – “God with us...” Yes, Jesus came to live among us. He breathed our air, felt our pain, knew our sorrows, and died for the sins of man. He did not come to frighten us, or threaten us, but to show us the way to warmth, safety, salvation and to God. (Max Lucado/Chuck Swindoll)

Christmas began in the heart of God. It is complete only when it reaches the heart of man. Through Jesus, God reached down for man to bring reconciliation to Him. Only when man reaches up

and takes God’s hand does the reconciliation take place. Perhaps Jesus pondered: “Try to imagine what I gave up when I came into your world as a baby. I set aside My Glory, so that I could identify with you. I became poor so that you might become rich. I gave My life that you might gain yours.” (Sarah Young).

Yes, this is Christmas... God loving, searching, and giving Himself – to us. It is completed when man recognizes his need for receiving, giving and yielding himself totally – to God. Just think of this: While the innkeeper tended to his guests, the de-



Bill Crider

voted Joseph tended to Mary, and the shepherds tended their flocks....and over in the stall, a Child came forth to tend to all the souls of man, including ours! When Christ entered our world, He didn’t come to brighten our long, dreary December days, but to transform our lives so we can be ‘candles glowing in the darkness around us.’ We could not do this by ourselves. We could not earn our salvation. But the very purpose of His coming into the world was that He might offer up His life as a sacrifice for our sins. From the Cradle to the Grave...His mission was simply this: “He came to die for us!” And this is the heart of the Christmas story. The Cradle is just the beginning point. (Billy & Ruth Graham/ Rich Miller).

Christmas is the most stun-

ning rescue story of all time. Think about this: Man is lost without any hope of ever surviving in this sin-sick world. But a loving God is not willing that any should perish, so in His divine wisdom, He sent His only Son into the world (Baby Jesus) to live among man, identify with them, and then take the sins of the world on His back all the way to the Cross so man might be made ‘right with the Heavenly Father’ and be in full fellowship with Him. God was willing to invade the human race in order to rescue man. What a thriller! “The Greatest Rescue Story Ever Told!” (John Eldredge).

Christmas is reassurance that God keeps His promises, then and now. So, one night...among the wrinkled hills of Bethlehem....God, who knows no boundaries,

took on the shocking confines of a baby’s skin. (Philip Yancey). That night, with the Baby’s first cry, history was sliced open and the world was changed forever. And on that holy night, the Light entered the darkness and brightened the surroundings. Yes, that first Christmas changed everything. And it was a child that did it....but not’ just any child’ – Jesus Christ, God’s Holy Son. O Blessed Advent, prepare our hearts to celebrate Christmas with great anticipation! (Reference taken from “Christmas, On This Holy Night”).

BILL CRIDER IS CHAPLAIN OF MINDEN MEDICAL CENTER

THE UPWARD LOOK

Significant Places: The Promise Land

“Sojourn in this land and I will be with you and bless you, for to you and to your descendants I will give all these lands, and I will establish the oath which I swore to your father Abraham . . . and by your descendants all the nations of the earth shall be blessed.” Genesis 26:3-4 NASB



Max Hutto

God promised Abraham a land for his descendants, a land of rest, a land flowing with milk and honey. In this land God would bless and provide for those who obey His commands, who follow His Word.

Through this promise all the nations will be blessed. This promise is fulfilled for us in a faith relationship with the Savior, being forgiven of sin, living in His righteousness with an inheritance with Him for eternity.

Lord Jesus, thank You for the blessings of salvation, peace, rest, and eternal life I have received through faith in You.

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INSPIRATION

Our Best Behavior

It’s the most wonderful time of the year. It’s a time when we teach children to believe in a man they can’t see and his promise of making their dreams come true if they are good. We watch them mind their manners and be on their best behavior. However, this behavior in many cases is temporary until the return of Christmas next year. The question I ask is can our behavior toward God be viewed in the same manner? It seems that we have times of not talking to God until we want or need a blessing or miracle. It’s not fair




Bernard Harris

for us to wait until a particular season or situation to be our best for God. It’s not fair that we put so much emphasis on respecting and obeying a fictional entity when we don’t give that same respect to our very real God. My call to action today is not to take away the magic of the holidays or the dreams of children but to encourage us all to give God our best behavior all year.

BERNARD HARRIS III IS A HAUGHTON FIREMAN AND A LOCAL RESIDENT OF MINDEN

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In the Twenty-Third Judicial District Court of Webster Parish, Louisiana, No. 81024.
By virtue of a WRIT OF SEQUESTRATION AND SALE issued out of the Twenty-Third 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, **GETTOUT** the several effects of equipment and according to law at the principal front door of the Courthouse in the City of Minden, Webster Parish, Louisiana, on

WEDNESDAY, January 17, 2024,
During the legal sale hours, the following property, to wit:

LOTS 25, 26 AND 27, PARKSIDE LANDING SUBDIVISION, a subdivision of Webster Parish, Louisiana as per plat recorded in Map Book 4, Page 20 of the Catastrone Records of Webster Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon, together with that certain 2009 Ford Focus Modular Home, Serial Number ALFRG-368-1815, subject to encumbrances, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

That certain manufactured home/mobile situated on the above described property, being a 2009 Modular Home Franklin Model bearing Serial Number ALFRG 368-1815, which said manufactured home/mobile house was immovably granted to Affiliates to Immobilize Manufactured/Modular Home Immobilization dated October 7, 2008 and filed for record as Instrument No. 598135 of the records of Webster Parish, Louisiana.

SOLD SUBJECT TO ANY SUPERIOR LIENS, MORTGAGES OR PRIORITIES THEREON.
Said property settled in trust of the defendant and will be sold subject to judgment rendered in our Honorable Court.

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

December 13, 2023
January 10, 2024
Minden Press

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF MINDEN, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN IN REGULAR SESSION HELD ON DECEMBER 4, 2023

The Minden City Council met at City Hall, Minden, Louisiana, beginning at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Nick Cox, Carlton Myles, Levon Thomas, Latasha Mitchell, Michael Roy, and Andy Pendergrass. Absence(s): None.
Mayor Cox welcomed everyone to the meeting. Prayer was offered by Michael Roy and Andy Pendergrass led the Pledge of Allegiance. It is noted for the record that Mayor Cox allowed both council and public comments prior to every vote. Michael Roy moved to amend the printed agenda to add Item (9) Adopt Resolution – Regarding a Lease Purchase Agreement for the Purpose of Financing New SCBA Air Packs for the Minden Fire Department. The motion was duly seconded by Carlton Myles and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.
Carlton Myles moved to adopt the minutes of the Minden City Council Regular Session held on November 6, 2023, as presented. The motion was duly seconded by Latasha Mitchell and the vote was as follows. Aye(s): Carlton Myles, Levon Thomas, Latasha Mitchell, and Andy Pendergrass. Nay(s): None. Abstention(s): Michael Roy. Absence(s): None. The motion carried. Upon motion by Andy Pendergrass and duly seconded by Michael Roy, the council unanimously adopted a Resolution Adopting the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for the Audit Period of 10/01/2022 – 09/30/2023, as presented. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.
Latasha Mitchell moved to confirm Briar Cooper as a full-time police officer in the Minden Police Department, subject to passing all applicable tests. The motion was duly seconded by Michael Roy and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.
Upon motion by Andy Pendergrass and duly seconded by Levon Thomas, the council unanimously confirmed Hunter Buchanan as a full-time police officer in the Minden Police Department, subject to passing all applicable tests. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.
Carlton Myles moved to authorize Mayor Cox to execute a purchase agreement for property on Recreation Drive, subject to attorney review. The motion was duly (29) 12-04-2023 seconded by Andy Pendergrass and the vote was as follows: Aye(s): Carlton Myles, Levon Thomas, Latasha Mitchell, and Andy Pendergrass. Nay(s): Michael Roy. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None. The motion carried. The following action was taken regarding condemned property: Barbara Miller 4502 N. Ripple Ridge Drive Houston, Texas 77053 505 Plateau Street South 70 ft. of Lot #8, Blk. “7”, Harrell Hts. in SW/4 of NW/4 Sec. 27-19-9 Gregory Miller was present representing the property on behalf of the property owner. Miller asked for more time to rehabilitate the structure located on the property. Carlton Myles moved to authorize Mayor Cox to issue an order declaring the property condemned and further order the demolition of any structures located thereon and the cleaning of the lot within 120 days of December 4, 2023. The motion was duly seconded by Andy Pendergrass and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.
The following action was taken regarding condemned property:

The Church of God in Christ
c/o Superintendent Roy Hill
114 Kennedy Lane
Minden, Louisiana 71055

707 Crichton Street
Lot 50 x 150 ft. in NE/4 of NW/4
Sec. 28-19-9

With no party representing the property owner present at the time this item was heard, Latasha Mitchell moved to authorize Mayor Cox to issue an order declaring the property condemned and further order the demolition of any structures located thereon and the cleaning of the lot within 30 days of December 4, 2023. The motion was duly seconded by Michael Roy and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.
The following action was taken regarding condemned property:

Esquire 2019, LLC
707 Benton Road, Suite 125
Bossier City, Louisiana 71111

514 Babb Circle
Lot #9, Babb Addn., Unit #2

With no party representing the property owner present at the time this item was heard, Latasha Mitchell moved to authorize Mayor Cox to issue an order declaring the property condemned and further order the demolition of any structures located thereon and the cleaning of the lot within 30 days of December 4, 2023. The motion was duly (30) 12-04-2023 seconded by Andy Pendergrass and the vote was unanimously in favor. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.
City Clerk Michael Fluhr presented the Budget/Financial Report for the month of October 2023. No motion was required. Fire Chief Brian Williams presented the Annual Fire Report for the Year 2023. Upon motion by Michael Roy and duly seconded by Latasha Mitchell, the council unanimously approved the Annual Fire Report, as presented. The Police Report for the month of October 2023 was unanimously accepted, as presented, by motion of Latasha Mitchell and second by Michael Roy. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.
Upon motion by Michael Roy and duly seconded by Levon Thomas, the council unanimously adopted a Resolution Regarding a Lease Purchase Agreement for the Purpose of Financing SCBA Air Packs for the Minden Fire Department, as presented. Abstention(s): None. Absence(s): None.
The Minden Police Department and Minden Police Association presented the Courage and Bravery Award to Colin Campbell and presented the Life Saving Award to Officer Logan Clingan. Other announcements and council comments were heard. The meeting was then adjourned.

Nick Cox, Mayor

ATTEST:

December 13, 2023
Minden Press Herald

BROWNSTONE LLC DBA BEST KARE JOURNEY ADHC
DISPOSITION PLAN
Effective Closure Date: December 20, 2023
PROJECT CLOSURE DOWN
PROJECT STAFF
As of November 13, 2023, Best Kare Journey ADHC has notified all Staff, Clients, Support Coordinators, Client Representatives that on December 29, 2023, the ADHC Center will close its doors. On November 21, 2023, the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Aging and Adult Services and Participants Physician has been notified that the center will no longer provide ADHC services to the public. On November 30, 2023, the Local Newspaper will be notified, and an ad will be published for 15 days informing the public that our ADHC will no longer provide services to the public as a License Adult Day Health Center.
RECORDS MANAGEMENT
According to the Federal and State Laws on storage, maintenance, access and confidentiality of the closed center's patients' medical records will be secured and easily accessible to authorized personnel as needed.
a. Access to these records and copies of records will be given to the patient, authorized representative, upon presentation of proper authorization(s). These files will be held in a secure, dry and alarmed location. Protecting the records against fire, water, intrusion, unauthorized access, loss and destruction.
b. Appointed Custodians are as follows:
c. Jackie Thomas Contact #: 318-377-5436 Mailing Address: 282 Sheppard St Minden, La 71055
d. Shirley Gibson Contact #: 318-377-5436 Mailing Address: 282 Sheppard St Minden, La 71055

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION,
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1 st Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m. on **TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2024**, upon the application of **AETHON ENERGY OPERATING, LLC**. At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the **Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A**, in the Elm Grove Field, Webster Parish, Louisiana.

1. To authorize applicant to drill, designate and utilize one cross unit horizontal well to serve as a unit well for HA RA SU119 and HA RA SU120, and five cross unit horizontal wells to serve as alternate unit wells for HA RA SU119 and HA RA SU120, all at the locations and in the general manner shown on the plat submitted with the application, or at any other legal locations within such units (to be drilled in lieu of all approved, but undrilled horizontal wells approved for HA RA SU119 and HA RA SU120 by Office of Conservation Order No. 361-L-156, effective November 10, 2015), and to approve exceptions to the spacing provisions of Order No. 361-L, effective July 29, 2008, as to the common boundary of the units which will be served by the cross unit horizontal wells, provided that there will be no perforations in a wellbore closer than 330' to any unit boundary other than the common unit boundary between the units to be served by the wells.
2. To find that each of the proposed horizontal wells are necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, underlying the units on which it is proposed to be drilled which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well on such units, will prevent waste, avoid the drilling of unnecessary wells, protect correlative rights and promote the full and efficient development of the natural resources of this state.
3. To provide that if the horizontal portion of a well is cased and cemented back above the top of the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, the distance to any unit boundary and offset well(s) will be calculated based on the distance to the nearest perforation in the well and not on the penetration point or terminus of the well in the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A.
4. Except insofar as set forth above, to confirm and continue in full force and effect the provisions of Order No. 361-L, effective July 29, 2008, as amended and supplemented by the 361-L Series of Orders, the units created thereby, and of all applicable Statewide Orders.
5. To provide that the unit allowables for the units to be served by the proposed wells may be produced from the unit or substitute unit well, from any alternate unit well, or from any combination of such wells serving the unit, at the discretion of the operator.
6. To provide that production from a cross unit horizontal well shall be allocated to each unit penetrated by the well in the same proportion as the perforated length of the lateral in each such unit bears to the total length of the perforated lateral as determined by an "as drilled" survey performed after the well has been drilled and completed.
7. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent. The Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A was defined in Order No. 361-L, effective July 29, 2008. A plat is available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge and Shreveport, Louisiana.**
<http://dnr.louisiana.gov/conshearings> All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

BY ORDER OF:
MONIQUE M. EDWARDS
COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION
Baton Rouge, LA 11/29/23:12/5/23 S'ickin ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE AT THE HEARING, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OF CONSERVATION-ENGINEERING DIVISION AT P.O. BOX 94275, BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-9275 IN WRITING WITHIN TEN (10) WORKING DAYS OF THE HEARING DATE.

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Acadiana Seafood LLC Owners Jeff Swilley and David Thibodeaux are applying to the Office of Alcohol and Tobacco control of the State of Louisiana for a permit to sell beer of low content and serve the best boiled crawfish restaurant to come in Webster Parish. We plan to open February 1st 2024!

The location for Acadiana Seafood LLC will be:
12715 US-80, Minden, LA 71055
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January 10, 2024
MINERAL LEASE SALE
NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
OFFICE OF MINERAL RESOURCES

ON BEHALF OF THE STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD

FOR THE STATE OF LOUISIANA
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 70821

Notice is hereby given in conformity with La. R.S. 30:126 that sealed bids will be received in the Office of Mineral Resources, LaSalle Office Building, Baton Rouge, Louisiana (P. O. Box 2827, Baton Rouge, LA 70821) **on or before 12:00 noon on Tuesday, January 9, 2024** for a lease to explore, drill for and produce oil, gas and any other liquid or gaseous minerals in solution and produced with oil or gas on the following described tracts (**Tract Nos. 45706 through 45734, inclusive**). The sealed bids shall be opened publicly on **Wednesday, January 10, 2024** in the LaSalle Office Building, 617 N. 3rd Street, Capitol Complex, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

The descriptions for the Tract(s) nominated below were, for the purpose of acquiring a mineral lease(s) or a geophysical agreement(s), provided and corrected exclusively by the nominating party. Therefore, any mineral lease(s) or geophysical agreement(s) awarded by the Louisiana State Mineral and Energy Board (Mineral Board) from the Tract(s) listed below are without warranty of any kind, either express, implied or statutory including, but not limited to, title or the implied warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose.
An error or omission in the nominating party's Tract description may require that a State mineral lease(s) or geophysical agreement(s) be modified, canceled or abrogated due to the existence of conflicting leases, operating agreements, private claims or other future obligations or conditions within the Tract(s) described. In such case, however, the Mineral Board shall not be obligated to refund any consideration paid by the Lessee prior to such modification, cancellation or abrogation including, but not limited to, bonuses, rentals and royalties.
Tract(s) available for leasing may be situated in the Louisiana Coastal Zone as defined in Act 361 of the Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature of 1978 (promulgated as LSA-R. S. 49:213) and may be subject to the guidelines and regulations promulgated by the Office of Coastal Management of the Department of Natural Resources for operations in the Coastal Zone.

Further, in accordance with Article XII, Section 10 of the Constitution of Louisiana, and notwithstanding any language herein to the contrary, any mineral rights granted by the Mineral and Energy Board to the tract(s) advertised herein are subject to the surface usage for integrated coastal protection or hurricane and flood protection projects promulgated, funded and effected through the State of Louisiana, the Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority, the Louisiana Office of Coastal Protection and Restoration, and the Department of Natural Resources and its divisions, whether solely or in conjunction with other state, local or federal governmental agencies or with private individuals or entities. Bids may be for the whole or any particularly described portion of the land advertised, but no bids will be accepted that does not equal the **Minimum Royalty** as set forth in La. R.S. 30:127 or which are not in compliance with the provisions of Sub-part A of Chapter 2, Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, other applicable laws or the guidelines established by the Board through the Office of Mineral Resources. The Minimum Royalty is not to be construed as an amount acceptable to the Mineral Board, it being the policy of the Mineral Board to reject any bid which does not reflect tract potential. The Board considers bonus, royalty percentage, and also compares royalty granted to landowners in the area.
Multiple portion bids on the same tract may be accepted by the Mineral Board, even though they overlap. In the case of overlapping portion bids on the same tract, each of which is otherwise acceptable to the State, the Mineral Board has the sole discretion, to determine which one of the multiple bids on the same tract is most advantageous and in the best interest of the State. The Mineral Board may base its decision on factors such as but not limited to the royalty, per acre cash payment, bonus, any additional consideration. The selected bid, (referred to as "Bid A"), will be given priority in having a lease issued. The Mineral Board will also indicate the acceptability of other portion bids on the same tract, if any, in the order of their acceptance (referred to respectively as "Bid B", "Bid C", etc.). Once the plat of "Bid A" 's portion has been rendered as accurately as possible, "Bid B" will be contacted and given an option to take a lease on the remaining portion of his portion bid acreage not overlapping "Bid A" 's bid portion, at "Bid B" 's per acre bid price (both as to bonus and rental); and thereafter, each successive bidder whose bid is otherwise acceptable will be given the option to take a lease on whatever portion remains of his portion bid acreage at his respective per acre bid price, less and except any prior portion bid acreage on which the successful bidder has opted to take a lease.

The Mineral and Energy Board does not obligate itself to accept any bid, and that acceptance is at the sole discretion of the Mineral Board which reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to grant a lease on any portion of the tract advertised and to withdraw the remainder of the tract.
RAdditional requirements to be included in all sealed bids submitted to the Office of Mineral Resources and additional tract information associated with each tract advertised can be found at the Office of Mineral Resources website titled "Notice of Publication" located at: <http://www.dnr.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/page/1599>. It is the bidders' responsibility to properly complete the bid package pursuant to the requirements stated in both the public notice and the Notice of Publication.
The rights to geothermal resources, free sulphur, potash, lignite, salt and other solid minerals are to be excluded from any oil or gas mineral lease and any bid purporting to include those rights will be disregarded as to the extent of those rights only.

If you require accommodations due to a disability in order to attend or participate in a meeting, please notify the Office of Mineral Resources at P.O. Box 2827, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-2827 or 225-342-4615 at least two (2) working days before the meeting date.
efer to the "Notice of Publication" for the general guidelines, minimum requirements, and additional notes associated with each tract advertised. The "Notice of Publication" can be found at: <http://www.dnr.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/page/1454>.
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INLAND TRACTS (Tract Nos. 45706 through 45730 inclusive, herein cannot specify a lease primary term exceeding three (3) years).
TRACT 45707 - Bossier and Caddo Parishes, Louisiana
All of the lands now or formerly constituting the beds and bottoms of all water bodies of every nature and description as to which title is vested in the State of Louisiana, together with all islands arising therein and other lands formed by accretion or by reliction, where allowed by law, excepting tax adjudicated lands, and not presently under mineral lease on January 10, 2024, situated in Bossier and Caddo Parishes, Louisiana, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point having Coordinates of X = 1,679,992.88 and Y = 603,917.81; thence Westerly approximately 2,649 feet to the Northeast corner of State Lease No. 19483 and the Southeast corner of State Lease No. 6856, as amended; thence Northerly approximately 2,774 feet along the East boundary of said State Lease No. 6856, as amended, to a point on the South boundary of State Lease No. 5849; thence Easterly approximately 2,474 feet and Northerly approximately 2,465 feet along the boundaries of said State Lease No. 5849 to a point; thence Easterly approximately 1,246 feet to the most westerly Southwest corner of State Lease No. 20445 having Coordinates of X = 1,681,099.25 Y = 609,239.99; thence along the boundary of said State Lease No. 20445, as amended, the following: South 89 degrees 45 minutes 03 seconds East 1,531.48 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,682,630.72 and Y = 609,233.33, South 00 degrees 07 minutes 36 seconds East 5,287.92 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,682,642.42 and Y = 603,945.42, and Southerly approximately 58 feet to a point being its most southern Southwest corner; thence Westerly approximately 2,650 feet to the point of beginning, containing approximately **2 acres**.

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A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to men's health.
Each number corresponds to a letter.
(Hint: 15 = E)

A. 26 4 23 10 6 11 21 8

Clue: Annual exam

B. 7 9 16 19 6 13 15

Clue: Occurs regularly

C. 15 14 15 7 11 6 10 15

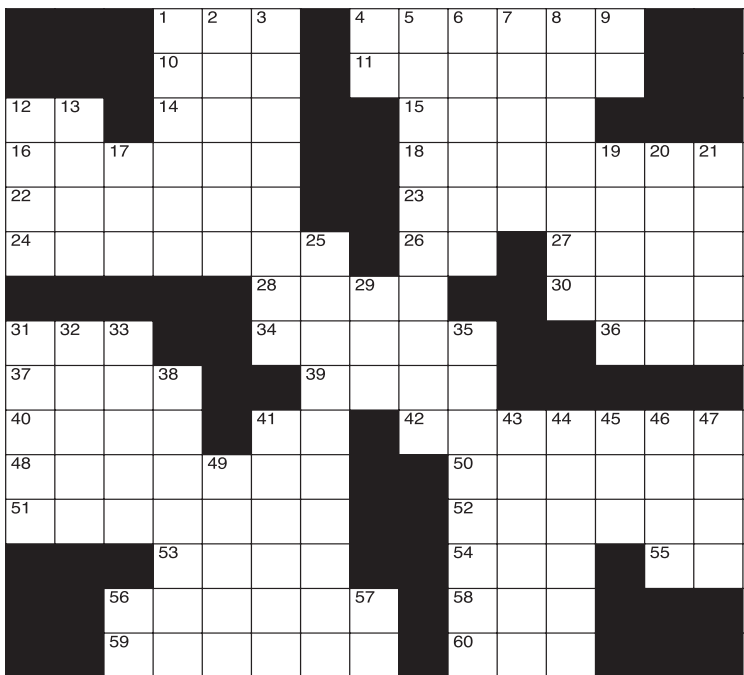
Clue: Physical activity

D. 3 21 8 15

Clue: Man or boy

Answers: A. physical B. routine C. exercise D. male

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Beats per minute
4. Hindu deity
10. Polynesian garland of flowers
11. Not chained to
12. Metric ton
14. Tall, rounded vase
15. Musical composition
16. St. Francis of __
18. Discover the location of
22. Compact group of mountains
23. Mend
24. Not current
26. Atomic #64
27. Young hawk
28. Or __
30. Pouches
31. Southern Thailand isthmus
34. Mends with yarn
36. Downwinds
37. One of two equal parts of
a divisible whole
39. Italian archaeological site
40. Cold appetizer
41. Yes
42. Peninsula
48. Of that
50. A way to divide
51. Relating to the physical senses
52. One who makes money
53. __ Spumante (Italian wine)
54. Inconvenience (abbr.)
55. South Dakota
56. Snow sport
58. The products of human
creativity
59. Change mind
60. Born of

CLUES DOWN

1. Similar to the color of a clear unclouded sky
2. Former name of Iran
3. Made smaller
4. Type of meter
5. Revolt
6. Killed with rocks
7. Gregory __, US dancer
8. Nullifies
9. Home to the Flyers
12. Female parent
13. Pre-1917 Russian emperor
17. Outsourcing (abbr.)
19. Regal
20. Line
21. Hermann __, author of “Siddhartha”
25. Clearing up
29. No seats available
31. Leaves of an Arabian shrub
32. Groove in organ or tissue
33. Not of this world
35. Cooking device
38. Forget
41. Operational flight
43. Actress Danes
44. Poke holes in
45. A way to discolor
46. Shouts of welcome or farewell
47. Pharrell’s group
49. Red fluorescent dye
56. Jr.’s dad
57. Electronics firm

SUDOKU

1	7	8		2	5	4		
5		6		8	1	9	2	7
		4			6			
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