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COURT WATCH

## Drug dealer gets 35 years

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A high profile convicted drug dealer got 30-plus years in prison at sentencing Friday by 26th Judicial District Judge Parker Self.

Keddrick Kennon, convicted of distribution of a Schedule II CDS and possession of a Schedule II CDS, will spend 30 years in prison for the distribution charge, plus an extra five years for the possession charge at hard labor at the Louisiana

Department of Corrections. He will receive credit for time served as he has been incarcerated since his arrest in April 2014. Both sentences are to run consecutive.

He was originally charged

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**KENNON**

CITY GOVERNMENT

## City facing tight budget

Employee salaries and benefits main topic of budget workshop

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The City of Minden is facing a tight budget for the 2015-16 fiscal year.

City Clerk Michael Fluhr gave council members and department heads an idea of what's coming up for the 2015-16 budget in a workshop Monday, and while revenue has remained steady over the last few years, expenses are ever increasing.

Mayor Tommy Davis says out of a roughly \$30 million budget, \$10.8 million of that strictly covers salaries and benefits, which was the main focus of the workshop.

"With every city our size that we talk to, they are facing the same situation financially," Davis said. "The employees – it's a third of the budget. We're about as lean as we can be on employees."

With a two percent increase in the new budget, that means there is a roughly \$140,000 difference, Fluhr says. If the new budget is passed as it stands with a two percent increase, it adds up to roughly \$140,000 more than 2015.

He says with this two percent increase, that means Minden police officers could see about \$300 more in their paychecks per month and Minden firefighters could see about \$173 more in theirs. Together, this adds up to about \$230,000 more for the year for the police department than

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**DAVIS**

### 2015 FLOOD

## Bistineau Backflow

Officials urge residents to prepare for flooding



Water inched closer to the roadway Monday along Miller Briarwood Road south of Sibley. Officials are watching Lake Bistineau for potential flooding due to backflow. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald

## Sandbags available in Sibley and Doyline

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Webster Parish Homeland Security director John Stanley is telling citizens who live on Lake Bistineau or have camps there to prepare for flooding as the waters from the Red River continue to rise in the south.

As of Tuesday at 8 a.m., the Red River was at 36.98 feet, according to the National Weather Service. Flood stage is 30 feet. Bayou Dorcheat at Lake Bistineau is currently at 144.65 feet. Flood stage is 142.5 feet.

The Webster Parish Police Jury, along with the Webster Parish Sheriff's Office and Webster's

Homeland Security are making sand bags available to people to protect their homes. They are at the fire station in Doyline and at the Shell station just south of Lakeside Jr./Sr. High School.

"We have them on both sides of the lake, so help yourself," he said. "When the trailer gets empty, we'll take them back and fill them again."

He says a "sandbagging operation" is being run at Camp Minden using labor from inmates at Bayou Dorcheat Correctional Center and from the Claiborne Parish Detention Center.

They are filling sand bags and transporting

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A boat launch money box is now partially under water at Lake Bistineau. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald



City Clerk Michael Fluhr talks about policies during a budget workshop Monday. Council members and city department heads discussed employee salaries and benefits as the main focus of the meeting. Michelle Bates/Press-Herald

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CAMP MINDEN CLEANUP

## Green Army to lend assistance to advisory committee

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Following the last EPA sponsored public meeting, a conference call was conducted to answer some questions about the legality of paperwork regarding the removal of the millions of pounds of M6 propellant at Camp Minden.

That conference call was discussed at Monday's Camp Minden Citizens Advisory Committee meeting. Alice Bond, secretary of CMCAG, says the attorneys who were a part of the conference call were from the Tulane Environmental Law Firm and specialize in CRCLA (environmental

law.

"They clarified the difference between an AOC (Administrative Order on Consent) and an ROD (Record of Decision)," she said. "The Superfund site is divided into two actions – the remedial action and the removal action. The remedial action is a formal process and it needs to be listed on the National Priorities List and it requires a longer period of commitment before the Record of Decision. It focuses more on long-term solutions."

The removal action, she went on to say, is much faster and the laws are more relaxed to allow quicker action. Camp Minden is under a removal

action, which means the material stored there is an immediate threat.

"The CRCLA attorney says that we have no citizen enforcement angle in the middle of the Superfund action," she said. "He was comfortable with the AOC, but he questioned the AOC being enforceable by the citizens. My take on this is we basically have no recourse on this but to trust that the EPA is going to be doing what they need to be doing."

Ron Hagar, CMCAG chair, says the attorneys on the call answered many of the questions they had concerning citizens' rights in protecting the environment during the disposal

of the M6.

"I think we'll be safe legally and health-wise if we have legal recourse to stop the process if we find out they are above the legal emissions standards," he said.

However, he says part of the problem with the conference call was that some of the attorneys didn't feel comfortable talking to attorneys selected by the community because they did not officially represent the citizenry. These attorneys were only acting in a consulting role during the call.

Jason Veitch, CAG member, says the community wants to feel comfortable with the decisions that are

being made, and that's why they continue to ask questions. During the conference call, he says, Dr. Brian Salvatore told the attorneys they needed to make the community feel comfortable with these decisions.

"That's why we're asking questions, because we're uncomfortable, and we're going to beat that horse until we're comfortable that he's dead," Veitch said.

In other CAG news, members learned that Gen. Russel Honore, with the Green Army, is willing to lend his assistance during the disposal process to help CAG secure grants if needed and offer its resources.

Other things discussed included the baseline groundwater sampling, and Adam Adams, on scene coordinator with the EPA, says he has been in contact with the experts and is working on getting a workshop together for the public. CAG members asked that he get a definitive date for that workshop. Other workshops and public meetings are also in the works at dates and times to be announced.

Another community meeting will be at 6 p.m., Thursday, June 11, at the Webster Junior High School gym. The next CAG meeting will be at 6:30 p.m., July 13, at First Baptist Church in Doyline.



Residents look at the flooded Lake Bistineau Monday along Hwy. 154 in Bossier Parish. The normally visible spillway is now underwater. Officials are monitoring conditions to make sure water does not continue to backflow into the lake and cause major flooding for residents. Bruce Franklin/Press-Herald

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them to the Red River and making some available to Webster citizens at Lake Bistineau.

He says water has been flowing over the spillway at Lake Bistineau, but the speed of the outward flow has reduced, which means it's running into the high water at the Red River.

"What we fear is that the Red will get so high that it will push back over the spillway back into the lake," he said. "And when it does that, with that water coming in and the water still coming in from the north, the lake will rise much faster than it would normally. It may not, but I

hear that it's possible."

The water from the Red River is what's causing the problem, Stanley says.

"Most of it is coming out of Texas and Oklahoma," he said. "The Red River starts up near Amarillo, Texas, and it's the border between Texas and Oklahoma. Then it comes down through the corner of Arkansas and everything else around here goes into it. Most of it flows into the lake down here and goes all the way through Loggy Bayou. It doesn't try to get into the Red River until it almost gets to Alexandria."

The level will continue to rise for days, he says, achieving the highest level in Shreveport hopefully before or by Tuesday morning. He says Lake Bistineau, when it floods, floods about the same rate

on all sides.

Stanley explained when it peaks, it will hold steady for a couple of days and then slowly recede. Everything will probably remain above flood stage for two or three weeks, he says.

"If you've been flooded before, be prepared," he said. "If it comes up quickly, it could get into several camps that it's flooded previously."

He offered a few tips for homeowners to prepare for flooding. He says homeowners need to raise their furniture up the best they can and make sure their refrigerated items are put up as well.

"Be prepared for it to achieve the levels that it has in the past," Stanley warned. "If you've flooded before, there's a good chance you will again."

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2015 FLOOD

## NWS: Red River just above 37 feet; likely to stay there

SHREVEPORT — The Red River crested Monday and likely will stay at or around its current level for the next few days before slowly decreasing, National Weather Service meteorologist Davyon Hill said.

At 4 p.m. Monday, the river was at 37.02 feet, the highest since April 1945, he said.

"We believe it will hold somewhere around this level," he said.

The crest at Shreveport is expected to last at least two days, and the Red probably won't go below the 30-foot flood stage there before the end of June.

"What's going to aggravate the situation further is the introduction of rain back into the forecast this week," Hill said. "We're at the mercy of Mother Nature."

Weather officials said less than one-quarter inch of rain is expected by Thursday, with the heaviest rainfall, approximately one-quarter to one-half inch, coming on Thursday and Friday.

Hill said the river is also at "major flood" levels downriver from Shreveport at Coushatta and Grand Ecote, near Natchitoches. Hill said the Red is expected to crest at 38.5 at Coushatta, 1.1 feet below

the record set in 1945. The 42.1 feet expected at Grand Ecote would be the second-highest ever, he said.

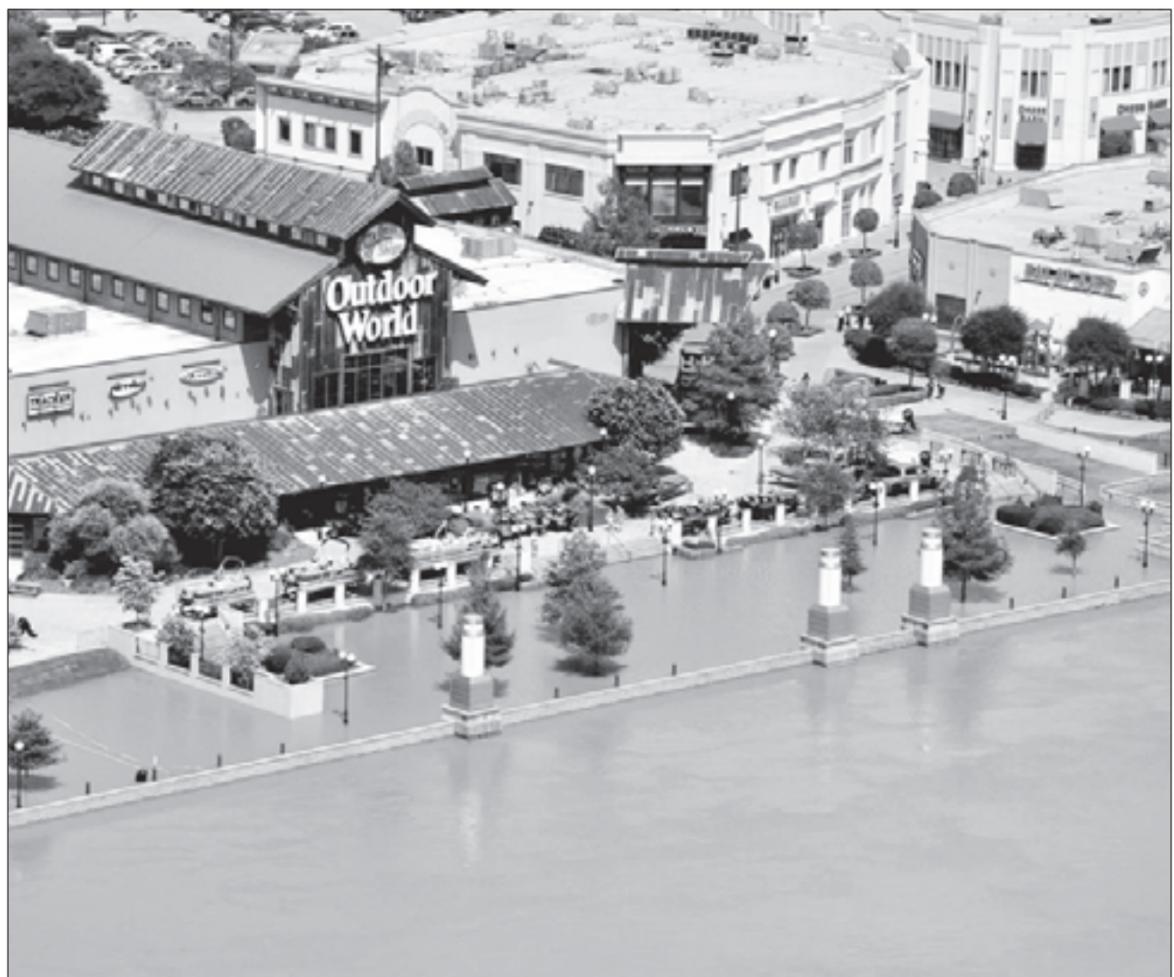
The high water, he said, has caused flooding in the area, forcing the closure of some roads including the Interstate 220 loop and some businesses along the boardwalk in Bossier City.

Bossier Parish Sheriff's Lt. Bill Davis has said about a dozen homes and 30 RVs in Bossier Parish had water in them Sunday, and another 18 or so were threatened.

"The next few days will be as bad as what we've been through," Sheriff Steve Prator, director of Caddo Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, told The Times in reference to the aftermath, which will include saturated ground, erosion, and backed-up water.

The newspaper reports about 300 structures in the city and parish have been affected by flooding, either from water entering the structures, residents evacuating, or power being shut off. Approximately 36 roads are impacted.

Authorities said three houses are being threatened along Middle Bayou in Allendale. The city is sending sandbags there in an effort to save the homes.



Water from the Red River began to flood the Louisiana Boardwalk as the river rose. Monday as the river reached its crest at just over 37 feet portions of the retail center was closed to foot traffic. No store closing were reported; however, some reports of fish swimming along the flooded portion of the boardwalk have been made. Courtesy Photo/ Bossier Parish Sheriff's Office

OBITUARY

### Betty Jo Allwhite Niva

Betty Jo Allwhite Niva, 84, of Minden died Saturday, June 6, 2015 in Arcadia. She was born September 27, 1930 in Idable, Oklahoma. Betty was the daughter of Lewis and Lula Allwhite. She grew up in Emmett, Arkansas, and graduated from Hope High School in 1948. She was preceded in death by her parents, seven siblings and husband Fred Niva.

Betty's survivors include her son, Lewis Niva and his wife Joyce of Ringgold; daughter, Leslie Taylor and her husband

Mike of Gary, Texas and Susan Williams and her husband Tommy of Tomball, Texas; six grandchildren, Chase and Jordan Williams, Micah and Mitchell Taylor, Chad and Phildon Gray; four great-grandchildren, Nicholas, Dillon and Claire Gray and Jacob Williams; several cousins, nieces and nephews.

Betty was a longtime member of the First United Methodist Church of Minden. She worked

several years at Evergreen Services, and retired after 20 years of service at the Webster Parish Sheriff's Office.

A memorial service for Betty will be Thursday at 11 a.m. at the First United

Methodist Church of Minden with the Rev. Brian Mercer officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church Children's Building Fund.



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### BUDGET

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in 2015.

Part of the reason for higher raises for police, Davis says, is so they can start keeping police officers. Right now the force has a little more than 30 officers and it has a high turnover rate.

Fluhr says in the areas of water, utilities and electricity, the city is doing fine. The city just implemented a raise in the minimum for water, and even though the council voted to raise sewer rates, it has not yet been implemented — hence the reason sewer is behind.

Councilman Mike Toland says last year's budget was roughly \$2 million short when they got the proposals. And he's

aware of the city's money crunch.

"Our revenue is basically flat and it has been flat for the last several years," he said, addressing department heads. "(The late) Mayor (Bill) Robertson had money in the bank, and now that's all gone.

Expenses have gone up, and last year, there were \$2 million short. The last thing I want to do is stop employee raises. When you're \$2 million short going in, if we do what's proposed, that's \$270,000 right off the bat without raising revenue."

The department heads were asked if the police were to get the raises being asked for if it would

cause animosity in other departments to the point some would leave. One of the department heads said, "I think so." Councilman Benny Gray asked then, if the city bit the bullet and nobody got a two percent raise, would they feel any better?

Due to a scheduling conflict, Police Chief Steve Cropper could not be in attendance.

Councilman Wayne Edwards said "The bottom line is we don't have enough money to fund all our projects and give a decent raise. I think we need to keep our focus on making sure the city operates. That's our first obligation."

The fiscal year begins in October. The final draft of the 2015-16 budget will come to a vote before the city council during its September meeting.



TOLAND

### KENNON

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with three counts of Schedule II CDS (crack cocaine) and one count of distribution of false pretense of CDS. Kennon was acquitted of the later charge.

District Attorney Schuyler Marvin filed the habitual offender bill, which strengthened his sentence. Kennon had three prior convictions on drug offenses, which opened the door for the habitual offender filing.

Minden Police Captains Marvin Garrett and Dan Weaver say Kennon's history is a long one. Garrett and Weaver say he was one of the community's top drug dealers.

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PERSPECTIVE

## Good checkups mean more miles

It was time for a maintenance check with oil change on the car, so we made the appointment to take it in for the service.

This checkup came in the midst of our medical checkups so we just considered it one more thing to keep under control. It required about an hour and we left there with a satisfied mind, that all was well.

Just as we need to keep our vehicles in good working condition with regular maintenance to avoid long-term problems, we're also finding these physical bodies also require regular checkups.

I don't know why, but it seems as if everything came due this month.

First, there was the ophthalmologist. We both were due an annual checkup, but I realized before I went that I was not seeing as well as I should. My great fear was that the result would be cataract surgery.

But, thankfully, it only required a change in the lenses of my glasses to correct the problem. Hubby was good for another year, but I'm now waiting for the new lenses and that will mean another trip.



**FANNIE MOORE**

That same afternoon, we had to go back across town to see the gastroenterologist in order to get my prescription renewed. That's all that was needed at this time but in a few months there will be another delightful visit required.

The dermatologist was next on our list and it didn't take long for that visit but we had the appointment at an unheard of 8 a.m. I didn't even know doctors were awake at that time of day. We barely were.

The last on the list for me is a check on my blood pressure which now seems to be doing well after a problem with it earlier.

I don't know about you, but it seems that every time I visit one of the health care professionals for a checkup, I get the same old comments.

"Well, at your age, you can expect...." It began with high blood pressure several years when I was informed that almost every person, as they aged, would have similar problems. No explanation why, just that it was inevitable.

The latest comment of that nature was a bit different. "Well, as we get more miles on these bodies, we tend to have more problems."

This brought me back to the idea of the vehicle checkup. One thing that is always considered is the age of the car and the number of miles it has traveled.

Considering these criteria, I believe this old body may last long enough for a few more annual checkups. It's aging, that's for sure, and it has lots of miles on it.

But, I tell myself that it's aging gracefully and even though the body may be an older model, it still has lots of good miles in it.

As it is important to take care of your vehicle, you must also take the same care of your body. You'll have lots of good miles left and the ride will be more comfortable.

So, keep those regular checkups and happy traveling.

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## Thank you businesses of all sizes

A message to the Louisiana employers out there: Thank you for what you do to make this state great.

Much has been discussed over the last two months about the legislative session and its crusade to raise taxes. We at LABI, along with countless others in the business community, have aggressively explained the consequences to Louisiana's economy that can result should this be done in a cavalier way.

The Legislature has not shown much interest in pursuing more prudent approaches such as reforming the state's pension system to generate savings for education; giving higher education the financial autonomy they have long sought; or unlocking the roughly \$1.3 billion in non-constitutional, non-fiduciary budget funds so these dollars could be used each year for priorities such as higher education and health care.

Efforts at structural budget reform have simply not gotten much traction. Instead, the focus has been largely on generating new revenue through taxes and fees.

While the singularly focused nature of relying on new taxes to fuel this budgeting effort continues to be a concern, the rhetoric used by some to accomplish it has been even more telling.

Many elected officials who will soon be asking for your vote have thrown around phrases such as "corporate welfare" and "big business." Many of these legislators are the same folks who have gone to exhaustive efforts over the years to take credit for cutting ribbons and creating jobs in your district.

The rhetoric being used by

many to justify the tax actions by the Legislature is not accurate, nor is it fair to the thousands of businesses in this state that employ, invest and create opportunities in our communities each and every day.

For instance, the inventory tax credit that has been in place since 1991 is suddenly being criticized by some as corporate welfare, though nothing could be further from the truth. By cutting this credit, how easy will it now be for your town's local hardware store that has been around for generations to keep their doors open? How do they continue to stock their shelves to the extent needed to keep your business? The same is true for the car dealers, the grocery stores and the service companies. The impact is real and it hits local business owners trying to compete in the global economy the hardest.

Another example is the utility tax. In 2008, the Legislature eliminated the tax on business utilities, finally matching that exemption with the one also given to Louisiana residences. This session, several legislators want to raise that tax by rescinding all or some of that exemption for businesses. Who pays the business utility tax? Businesses of all shape and sizes. The chemical industry would pay roughly 20 percent of that tax, while transportation industries and retail providers would receive the next two largest hits. Every business of every size will pay this new tax. That local hardware store mentioned earlier trying to compete that is hit with the inventory tax gets hit with this one also, along with the local small restaurant owner trying to keep their prices competitive with the chain restaurants and the dry cleaner hoping you keep coming to them for their service rather than doing it yourself.

Business taxes impact not only business owners, but also the customers by limiting choice and increasing prices. This reality affects businesses of all sizes, not just the big

ones. It hits the big companies currently choosing to invest in Louisiana rather than other states. It hits the midsize companies looking to make that big jump this year and expand their operations. It hits the small companies doing everything they can to keep their doors open as Louisiana claws its way out of the national recession and suffers job losses due to low oil prices.

The employers of this state come in all shapes and sizes, but they all have one common trait. They believe in Louisiana and they work tirelessly every day to serve its people. They create the jobs that stimulate our economy, not government. They hire the people and make the investments that lead to tax revenues, not government. They have taken out loan after loan to fund their business and stimulate our local banks and lenders, not government. They are the first to donate to the local charity or civic organization in times of need, not government.

Thank you to the employers of this state for all that you do in our communities today, and all that you have done across this state for generations. You are the ones that make Louisiana's economy work and we thank you for your effort. You deserve public accolades and much appreciation for all that you have done for our people, not criticism and false rhetoric in order to justify tax increases to fund government.

To business owners of all sizes, thank you for employing our people and driving the economy in our communities. The rhetoric being flippantly used by many to describe your effort doesn't do service to your investments in Louisiana.

Stephen Waguespack is the president of the Louisiana Association of Business and Industry, the largest and most effective advocacy organization in the state.

PERSPECTIVE

## Socialist 'Justice'

Protesters demand "social justice." I hate their chant. If I oppose their cause, then I'm for social "injustice"? Nonsense.

The protesters usually want to punish capitalism. "Spread those resources," says Hillary Clinton.

Even capitalists often make the mistake of talking about "social justice" as if it's the opposite of free markets or a reason to rein in markets with more regulations or redistribution of wealth. But there's nothing "just" about the leftist protesters' claimed solution: more big government.

Oliver Stone, Sean Penn and Harry Belafonte praised Venezuela's Hugo Chavez for his socialist revolution. Chavez then proceeded to destroy much of his country.

Even after his death, his portrait remains on walls everywhere and his policies live on. They haven't produced social justice, unless your idea of "justice" is privileges for government officials and shortages of basics like food and toilet paper for ordinary people.

Only socialism could take an oil-rich nation and turn it into one where people wait in line for hours for survival rations.

The left-wing Guardian newspaper quotes a Venezuelan farmer saying that Chavez's policies left Venezuela with "no one to explain why a rich country has no food."

Not many people in Venezuela give such explanations — the government censors its critics — but free-market economists can explain.

Goods don't get matched to consumer needs by anyone's burning desire for justice.

The amazing coordination of the marketplace happens because sellers and buyers are free. Sellers can sell whatever they choose at prices they choose. Buyers decide whether to pay. That flexibility — and chance to make a profit — is what persuades people to create what customers want and risk their own money and safety to stock it in a store.

Without the free market setting prices and allocating resources, all the cries of "justice" in the world don't help anyone. You can't eat justice. You can't use it as toilet paper. Intellectuals, activists and government alike love it when politicians take "tough," decisive action — usually meaning sudden interference in the marketplace.

A year and a half ago, Venezuelan government used the military to seize control of Doka, one of the country's largest retailers, in order to force the chain to charge "fair" prices. Punish those rich, greedy store-owners! Surprise! That didn't work. The chain is now collapsing as looters take what they want.

Socialists say capitalists just want to make a quick buck, but it's government that can't plan for the long haul.

Instead of thinking in terms of returns on investment and sustainable business models, socialists think only of today: They see people who need stuff and stores full of stuff. Take the stuff and give it to people, and then tomorrow — well, those capitalists will always bring in more stuff, I guess.

Calling it "social justice" doesn't make it work.

Sometimes activists admit they aren't very interested in economics. What they really want is a more "tolerant" world with less sexism and racism. They act as if capitalism is an obstacle to that.

But it isn't. Capitalist societies are less racist and less sexist than non-capitalist ones.

In America, white people often take for granted the advantages that being white sometimes provides. But compare America to China, where one ethnic group, the Han, dominates politics and openly looks down on minorities — and where even scientists have tried to show that the Han are a distinctive race that does not trace its ancestry to Africa like the rest of us.

The autocratic nation of Saudi Arabia doesn't let women drive cars or open their own bank accounts.

Markets, in which individuals, not just rulers, have property rights, give people options. Businesses have an incentive to serve as many people as possible, regardless of gender or ethnic group. They also have an incentive to be nice — customers are more likely to trade with people who treat them fairly. Everyone gets to choose his own path. That's what I call justice.

Injustice is telling people that they must wait to see what their rulers decide is fair.

John Stossel is host of "Stossel" on Fox News and author of "No They Can't! Why Government Fails, but Individuals Succeed."



**JOHN STOSSEL**

## Around Town

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### June 9, 2015

St. Rest Baptist Church's 2015 Vacation Bible school will be at 5:30 p.m. It ends at 7:30 p.m. nightly and runs through June 12.

Forest Chapel COGIC will host the Gospel Crusade at 6:30 p.m. nightly until May 10 at the B.F. Martin Community Center located at 611 East Union St.

### June 11, 2015

The Webster Council on Aging located at 1482 Sheppard St. will have a rummage sale from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. in the activities room.

### June 13, 2015

King Solomon Baptist Church will have Love Day at 5 p.m. featuring guest speaker Pastor Wosheka Burriel of Extreme Faith Worship Center.

Miracle Productions will

present An Evening of Gospel at 7 p.m. at the Northwest 14th District Building located at 311 Bailey St.. Featured guest will be Dynamic Holy Spirituales.

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### June 14, 2015

Mt. Olive Baptist Church will host the New Destiny Singers, Apostle Samuel Smith at 2:30 p.m.

Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church will have its 107th anniversary at 3 p.m. featuring the Rev. Lester C. Sims as guest speaker.

Carter Chapel C.M.E. Church will be holding their Annual Homecoming Service Sunday, June 14, 2015 at 3 P.M at 3354 Franklin Road in Heflin, Louisiana. They will also be holding Revival Services June 15 and 16 at 7 p.m. The speaker for all services will be Pastor Rodney Williams from King Solomon Baptist Church in Sibley.



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## SUPPORTING MINDEN POLICE

Webster Parish resident Travis Moore along with Minden Police Chief Steve Cropper show the Springfield Armory 40 caliber pistol that Moore donated to the Minden Police Department. Moore says he is proud of the great work that Cropper and the police department has done in Minden and wanted to thank them. Cropper says the firearm will be raffled to raise funds for the Special Response Team. Moore's friend, Lee Estabrook, facilitated the meeting between Moore and Cropper.

A community meeting, sponsored by the Environmental Protection Agency, will be at 6 p.m. at Webster Junior High School in the gym in Minden. For more information, call Jason McKinney, U.S. EPA community involvement coordinator at 214-665-8132 or 800-533-3508 (toll-free) or email him at [mckinney.jason@epa.gov](mailto:mckinney.jason@epa.gov).

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## SPORTS briefs

### BASEBALL

#### Horned Frogs win in extras over A&M

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Garrett Crain was running toward third base with the ball in front of him. The TCU senior second baseman kept going all the way to the College World Series.

Crain scored from second base on an error in the 16th inning and the Horned Frogs are going to Omaha for the second year in a row after a 5-4 win over Texas A&M in a game that ended early Tuesday morning.

"The 16th inning, you have to try and force something. If that's the seventh of eighth inning, and that's the game-tying run or winning run like it was, maybe you don't do that," Crain said. "Being what it was, we have to score a run."

Crain drew a leadoff walk off Ryan Hendrix (6-4), the third time in extra innings TCU's No. 9 hitter led off and got on base. He got to second on a wild pitch with two outs, and scored when Evan Skoug hit a hard chopper on which third baseman Ronnie Gideon made a backhanded try.

The ball was briefly in his glove, and Skoug was credited with a single. But Crain rounded third after the ball dropped to the ground, even with third-base coach Bill Mosiello telling him to stop, and scored as Gideon threw wildly by the plate.

Crain crossed the plate right at 1 a.m., ending a game that took 5 hours, 55 minutes to play and finally give the Horned Frogs (49-13) the eighth and final spot in the College World Series.

### NHL

#### Lightning stun Blackhawks at home, take 2-1 lead

The story of the Tampa Bay Lightning's road to the Stanley Cup is road success. Lots of it.

The Lightning edged the Chicago Blackhawks 3-2 in Game 3 of the Stanley Cup final to take a 2-1 series lead. Tampa Bay improved to 8-3 on the road this postseason, with wins in four straight road games (Games 2, 5 and 7 of the Eastern Conference finals against the Rangers and now Game 3 against the Blackhawks).

There has been great value in the past to a road win in Game 3 of a Cup final that was tied 1-1.

According to Elias Sports Bureau research, teams that break a 1-1 tie by winning Game 3 on the road in the Final are 13-for-13 in previous attempts to win the Stanley Cup.

Cedric Paquette scored with 3 minutes, 11 seconds left in the third period to put the Lightning ahead 3-2. The goal was set up by a nicely threaded pass from defenseman Victor Hedman.

Hedman finished with two assists, four shots, three hits and five blocks. It was his second straight multiple-assist game. The five blocked shots matched his total from the previous three games combined.

### LITTLE LEAGUE

# DOWN THE HOME STRETCH

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#### AA Wrecking Crew 6 Braves 4

Jekoye Knowles led the Wrecking Crew with a home run and a triple, followed by Preston Frye with a pair of doubles, Grayson Gorum doubled and Braydon Winston singled and doubled.

Landon Finley and Peyton Gray led the Braves with a pair of hits each. Bryce Parker, Jesse Montoya and Carmello Smith added base hits.

#### Elm St. Dental 9 Lil Soldiers 2

Seth Mangrum blasted two home runs to lead Elm St. Dental. Mason Goodman blasted a home run as well, while Dawson Day singled and doubled, Kennedy Burns doubled, Connor Williams had two hits and Copeland Cupples, Eli Santelices and Caleb Corneliuss added hits.

Brandon Davis Jr. had two doubles, followed by Zia Carter and J.K. Hogan with base hits for the Lil Soldiers.

#### Bandits 9 Timberland 4

Wyatt Whorton doubled and homered to lead the Bandits, followed by Spencer Brantley with a double and a triple, Devery Moore with a pair of doubles, Tanner Johnson with a single and a double, Brian Williams doubled and Willie Jenkins and Hayden Watkins added base hits.

Jackson Waller, Jaylun Hawkins and John Rolan all had doubles for Timberland, followed by Slade Lollar, Clayton Towns, Levi Miller and Nolan Still with base hits.

#### AAA Alpha Railroad 17 Hol-Mont 0

Hayden Harmon led Alpha with a double and triple, followed by Seth Levesque with a double. Price Miller struck out seven batters for Alpha.

Dexter Smith and J.P. Parker had the only hits for Hol-Mont. Dexter



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Smith also struck out five batters.

#### Lions Club 16 Alpha Energy 2

Jake Wilkins tripled and singled to lead Lions Club, followed by Caleb Condit with a triple and Ethan Latour, Bryce Powell and Brandon Winston with base hits. Ethan Latour also struck out a whopping 10 batters for Lions Club.

Seth Martin had the lone hit for Alpha Energy and Jaylin Williams struck out 10 batters of his own for Alpha.

#### Dixie Youth Swain's Sluggers 10 Rangers 5

Keaton Moore crushed a home run, followed by Brian Foster with a triple and single, Jackson Powell with three base hits and Je'Dyah Taylor, Cade Thomas and Hayden Brown added base hits. Brown also struck out nine batters.

Trevor Chachere had three hits, Andrew Fegley had two hits and Parker

Cupples and Landen Hopkins added base hits. Andrew Fegley sat down an outstanding 11 batters.

#### Tigers 4 U.S. Silica 3

Jakob Walker smashed a home run and a single, followed by Blain Bradley with a double and Ryan Sheets, Parker Hall and Trenton McLaughlin with base hits. Walker and McLaughlin both struck out five batters for the Tigers.

Jaylin Slaughter doubled for Silica, followed by Grady Brasher with a pair of hits and Jackson Mayfield, Carson Parker and Jonathan Parkerson with base hits. Jonathan Parkerson was stellar on the mound, striking out a season high 15 batters.

#### Dixie Boys Farm Bureau 16 Town & Country 2

Joseph Kidd blasted a triple, Brittain Ranger cracked a pair of doubles, Chance Frizzell had a single and double and Wesley Dennis,

Cayden Volentine and Carson Fields had base hits.

Cody Johnson had a triple to lead Town & Country, followed by Nate Willis with a double and Peter Howard and Cameron Barton added base hits.

#### Minden Elite 16 Lakeside 0

Hunter Wilkes tossed a perfect game on the mound for the Minden Elite, striking out six and allowing no hits, no walks and no runs through three innings. Jerestin Baugh had a pair of hits for Minden Elite, followed by De'andrick Gill, Wilkes, Treyton Butler and Adrian Perea with base hits.

Trevor Randle struck out five batters for Lakeside.

#### Dixie Angels Cooksey's Tax 7 Fuzion 3

Hilary Bates and Katelin Weston tripled for Cooksey's, followed

by Skylar Thompson and Kelsie Morgan with singles.

Molly Fanning tripled for Fuzion, followed by Maci Moseley and Emilee Barrios with base hits.

#### Ponytails CWW Fire 13 Sky Rangers 3

Francis Robinson tripled and singled, Hollie Payne tripled and Alex Reynolds and Laney Taylor added base hits. Hannah Mosley tossed a no-hitter with 13 strikeouts for the CWW Fire.

#### Dixie Belles Haughton Heat 14 First Methodist 3

Compton tripled, Boggs doubled and singled and Sims and Damron singled for the Haughton Heat.

McKenna Edge doubled and Madison Pye and Alexa McKenzie added base hits. Audrey Plants struck out five batters for First United Methodist.

### LOUISIANA OUTDOORS

# Mister Google sheds light on cicadas

Two years ago, I thought for sure there was something going on with my hearing. Anytime I stepped outside, my ears began ringing with an incessant buzzing. In fact, I observed others with the same problem because if I approached a group of 15 people, 12 of them would have their hands over their ears. It was enough to drive me insane.

Then I learned what the buzzing was all about. I was witness to the emergence of 17 year cicadas, insects that have an amazing life cycle.

It all starts when a fertile female cicada makes a slit in a branch on a tree, deposits eggs that hatch within a few weeks. The newly-hatched larvae drop to the ground and burrow into the soil. They stay in the ground feeding on juices from tree roots for 17 years before emerging to begin the maddening non-musical buzzing

noise we heard about this time two years ago.

Well guess what; they're cousins with a four-year shorter life span are at it again. This time, it's the thirteen year brood driving us batty with incessant buzzing.

Anytime I have a question about something I have trouble comprehending, I head to my good friend, Mister Google,

who has to have a head the size of Maine to hold all the information he masters.

Mister Google told me that the cicadas now emerging and causing a noticeable increase in the sales of ear plugs is Brood XXIII, or more accurately called the "Lower Mississippi River Valley Brood".

These noisy bugs from the pits of Hades are not only annoying us here in Louisiana; they're popping out of the ground and driving folks batty in Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Missouri, Mississippi and Tennessee.

Brood XXIII had its beginning about this time of year back in 2002. After annoying us royally for a few weeks, millions of cicadas did what their seventeen year cousins did; they mated, created slits in branches, laid eggs which hatched, dropped to the ground, burrowed beneath the soil and fed on a steady diet of tree root juices, which had to be nauseating, for the next 13 years.

Can't you just hear one larvae say to another, "Hey, you got anything else to eat? If I have to suck juices from a tree root one more day, I think I'll just die."

As the thirteen year period came to an end a couple of weeks ago,

that's what they all did. After buzzing to attract mates – I can't imagine what sort of girl cicada would be drawn to the crooning of a tone-deaf boy cicada – and depositing eggs to start it all over again, they all died natural deaths or were the main course for birds or cicada killers, those big scary looking but non-stinging wasps. In some locales, they're on menus and are considered delicacies when served up all crispy and fried.

Here's what Entomologist Charles Lester Marlott wrote back in 1907, about the time the great-great-grandparents of Brood XXIII were being kicked off. "Theoretically, the cicada, collected at the proper time and suitably dressed and served, should be a rather attractive food. The larvae have lived solely on vegetable matter of the cleanest and most wholesome sort and therefore,

would be more palatable and suitable for food than the oyster, with its scavenger habit of living in the muddy ooze."

My wife can't imagine anybody eating crawfish or oysters. "Crawfish look like bugs and oysters look like...YECH," she says. I love crawfish but when it comes to eating cicadas, I'll pass. Oysters are delicious; cicadas not only look like bugs; they ARE bugs.

In just a few more weeks, our woods will be silent once again and the next emergence of cicadas will be 2028. By then, my hearing will probably be gone and I'll just sit there on the porch in my rocker with my lap blanket and giggle at you walking by with hands over your ears.

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# Apple Music brings change to streaming, but is it enough?

When Apple launches its Apple Music streaming service at the end of June, it will affect things big and small in the music industry.

Hundreds of millions of iPhone and iPad users in more than 100 countries will get to try the \$10-per-month service for free for the next three months when it is pushed to their devices with a free upgrade.

They'll get unlimited access to tens of millions of songs during the trial, and afterward be required to pay a monthly fee for access, instead of paying for each album or song download.

"It'll change the way you experience music forever," CEO Tim Cook promised Monday at Apple's annual conference for software developers, held in San Francisco.

It could become one more thing that keeps current iPhone and iPad users inside the Apple ecosystem, while enticing others in.

Here's a look at some of the major aspects of Apple Music.

## INTEGRATION WITH SIRI

Subscribers will be able to ask Siri, Apple's mobile digital assistant, all sorts of unusual questions about music, and have any of millions of tunes play back in response.

Executive Eddy Cue demonstrated a few of them Monday, including asking for a playlist of the top 10 hits in the alternative genre, asking for a song from the soundtrack of the movie "Selma," and even asking for the top song from May 1982. (It was Joan Jett & the Blackhearts' "I Love Rock 'n' Roll.")

Using Siri's artificial intelligence and one's voice could come in handy when working out, going on a jog or driving a car that comes with Apple's Car Play.

## REAL RADIO, OVER THE INTERNET

In modern times, Internet radio has been defined by automated playlist generators like Pandora, Songza and others. Apple is changing that game by



Musician Drake, right, high fives Eddy Cue, Apple senior vice president of Internet Software and Services, during the Apple Worldwide Developers Conference in San Francisco, Monday, June 8, 2015. The maker of iPods and iPhones announced Apple Music, an app that combines Beats 1, a 24-hour, seven-day live radio station, with an on-demand music streaming service. Courtesy Photo

bringing back living, breathing DJs. It plans to run "Beats 1," a live 24/7 radio station hosted by DJs including former BBC host Zane Lowe in Los Angeles, New York and London. The service will be free to users with an Apple ID.

It will also offer standard genre-based Internet radio stations, this time with playlists curated by humans, instead of the algorithms that power the soon-to-be-disappearing feature, iTunes Radio.

## CONNECT

Apple is opening a new platform for artists that allows them to release content to fans such as lyrics to an upcoming song, behind-the-scenes video, or even new tracks. Any user can access "Connect" through a tab on the Apple Music app, and can follow artists and access their feeds. Only subscribers will be able to view, save and like the content.

The fact that payment will be required for what might be considered promotional content will be new to subscription services, but could coax super-fans to pay up.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Apple touts its human curation so much, it's making you pay for it. A new "For You" tab will offer subscribers music suggestions based on artists and genres they say they like, as well as what they actually listen to. A team of music experts is said to be behind every pick.

"These people are going to help you with the most difficult question in music: What song comes next?" said executive Jimmy Iovine, who helped develop the service.

## APPLE MUSIC VS. MY MUSIC VS. BEATS MUSIC

Apple device users who have bought songs or albums on iTunes needn't worry. Their

music will still be on their devices, and in many cases, still saved to the cloud.

Music that isn't available for streaming but still for sale on iTunes, like songs from the Beatles, can be integrated into playlists. Subscription music can be saved for offline listening alongside downloads.

And the some 300,000 subscribers to Beats Music, which Apple bought along with the headphone line for \$3 billion last year, will have the opportunity to transfer their playlists over to Apple Music, at which point, their Beats subscription will be canceled.

## BETTER DEAL FOR RECORD LABELS, ARTISTS

Music fans who have read about artists and record labels complaining about the tiny royalties they get from streaming services may have something to cheer about.

According to two people

familiar with the matter, last-minute deal-making did result in a better streaming deal for record labels and artists.

Instead of sharing roughly 55 percent of subscription streaming revenue with labels and artists, Apple will share around 58 to 60 percent. Music publishers in charge of songwriting royalties also saw a slight bump in their cut from about 10 to 12 percent to about 14 percent of subscription revenues, the people said. The people spoke on condition of anonymity because the deals are confidential.

## ANDROID

Apple is letting users of Google's competing Android mobile operating system use a version of the Apple Music app beginning this fall. But those users will have to pay to access Beats 1 and some features of Connect that Apple device users will get for free.

## CAN APPLE COME FROM BEHIND?

Observers expect Apple's biggest advantages — its huge user base, ability to sell its services with attractive TV ads, and global reach — will get the service up and running successfully.

Whether it will dramatically raise the popularity of streaming services is unclear. Currently, Apple's Beats Music serves just a tiny fraction of the 41 million paying music subscribers globally.

Russ Crupnick, managing partner of research firm Music Watch Inc., says he's not sure whether Apple has come up with the right package of services to make paid music streaming at \$10 a month take off.

"You've got to really change the mindset of consumers to have them say, 'Wow, this makes it worth the money,'" Crupnick says. "I still think you'll have a lot of people who will say, 'No thanks, I'll take the 99-cent track. There are a lot of places where I can listen to music, thank you very much.'"

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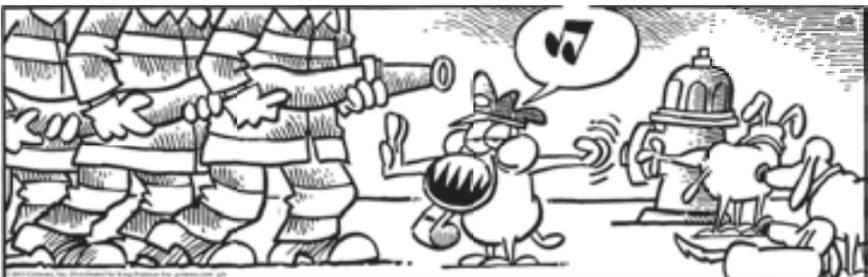
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**WHEREAS**, R.S. 18:621(A) mandates that the Governor shall call a special election to fill the vacancy in an existing judgeship when more than twelve (12) months of the term remain unexpired, in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 18:621(A)(3) and/or the dates for elections set forth in R.S. 18:402.

**NOW THEREFORE**

**I, BOBBY JINDAL**, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

**SECTION 1:**

A special primary and a special general election shall be held throughout the jurisdiction of the Justice of the Peace District 3, Parish of Webster, for the purpose of electing a justice of the peace to fill the vacancy in the office.

**SECTION 2:**

Any qualified person desiring to become a candidate shall file a notice of candidacy, accompanied either by a qualifying fee or a nominating petition, as required or authorized by law, with the appropriate election official in the manner and form and under the procedures and conditions provided by R.S. 18:461, et seq., and all other applicable provisions of the Louisiana Election Code, R.S. 18:1, et seq., during the period commencing Tuesday, September 8, 2015, and ending at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, September 10, 2015.

**SECTION 3:**

The special election shall be held and conducted under the applicable provisions of the Louisiana Election Code, R.S. 18:1, et seq.

**SECTION 4:**

The primary election shall be held on Saturday, October 24, 2015, and the general election shall be held on Saturday, November 21, 2015, at the times and places and in the manner prescribed by law.

**SECTION 5:**

The Secretary of State, Commissioner of Elections, Parish Board of Election Supervisors, Clerk of Court, Registrar of Voters, and all other persons charged with any power, function, right, duty or responsibility in conducting elections in the jurisdiction of the Justice of the Peace District 3,

Parish of Webster, are hereby authorized, requested, directed and empowered to exercise every lawful function and to do every act necessary to conduct the special election, to cause the returns to be made, to canvass and promulgate the results, and to perform all related and incidental functions.

**IN WITNESS**

**WHEREOF**,

I have hereunto set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 14th day of May, 2015.

/s/ Bobby Jindal

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| <b>ACROSS</b>                         | <b>35</b> Took the bus            | <b>DOWN</b>                               | <b>21</b> Wound cover               |
| <b>1</b> Speech imperfection          | <b>36</b> Overly theatrical       | <b>1</b> Part of UCLA                     | <b>22</b> As well                   |
| <b>5</b> Oklahoma city                | <b>37</b> Boutique                | <b>2</b> Equi-                            | <b>23</b> Tending to brood (Var.)   |
| <b>8</b> Rose feature                 | <b>38</b> King's perch            | <b>3</b> Bashful                          | <b>24</b> Annoying ad on a PC       |
| <b>12</b> Job-safety grp.             | <b>41</b> Journal stand           | <b>4</b> Elapse                           | <b>26</b> Sleeping-car area         |
| <b>13</b> Jewel                       | <b>42</b> Coffin stand            | <b>5</b> Chills and fever                 | <b>27</b> MP's quarry               |
| <b>14</b> "The Audacity of —"         | <b>43</b> Buzz Light-year's movie | <b>6</b> Year-end abbr.                   | <b>28</b> Start over                |
| <b>15</b> Stir-fry condiment          | <b>48</b> Harmonization           | <b>7</b> February birthstone              | <b>29</b> Acute                     |
| <b>17</b> Foolish bloke               | <b>49</b> Pair                    | <b>8</b> Jewish village in Eastern Europe | <b>31</b> Thom — shoes              |
| <b>18</b> That girl                   | <b>50</b> Met melody              | <b>9</b> Grover's Corners, e.g.           | <b>34</b> Burn around the edges     |
| <b>19</b> Ditch                       | <b>51</b> Trail                   | <b>10</b> Grand-scale tale                | <b>35</b> Unkempt                   |
| <b>21</b> Brazilian dance             | <b>52</b> Poetic dusk             | <b>11</b> Illicit stimulant, for short    | <b>37</b> "Mayday!"                 |
| <b>24</b> Good, to a rapper           | <b>53</b> Understand intuitively  | <b>16</b> "Eureka!"                       | <b>38</b> Recipe meas.              |
| <b>25</b> Satiated                    |                                   | <b>20</b> Risque                          | <b>39</b> Informal greeting         |
| <b>26</b> "Hee Haw" co-host           |                                   |   | <b>40</b> "La Boheme" based musical |
| <b>30</b> Venomous viper              |                                   |   | <b>41</b> City on the Rhône         |
| <b>31</b> Sibling of Peter Rabbit     |                                   |   | <b>44</b> Have bills                |
| <b>32</b> Tiny                        |                                   |   | <b>45</b> Bobby of hockey lore      |
| <b>33</b> Merit badge earner, perhaps |                                   |   | <b>46</b> Carnival city             |
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