



**WORK IS PROGRESSING** on a major water project in Grand Lake by Waterworks District #11. The 10 inch line upgrade is being funded by a CDBG grant. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

## Grand Lake - Big Lake water systems are being upgraded

By **CYNDI SELLERS**

Major improvements to the Grand Lake and Big Lake water systems, underway for months, will provide better water pressure and more fire security to residents.

A water line has been installed connecting Grand Lake to a water well near the Lake Charles Regional Airport, and work is nearly complete on a 10 inch line upgrade between the existing wells and the water tower.

Also, a new 250,000 pressurized tank is to be installed at the Grand Lake well to provide additional capacity in case of power outage, essential for firefighting. A generator is being installed at the

Big Lake water well for the same purpose.

Police juror Charles Precht said that Waterworks District #11, which operates both water systems, has been working since Hurricane Rita to find funding to alleviate the pressure placed on the Grand Lake system by the relocation of population from the southern part of the parish.

The board, working with the legislative delegation and the Police Jury, was able to get special consideration for this hurricane-caused circumstance, making it eligible for a Community Development Block Grant and a USDA loan.

A \$1,031,000 CDBG grant

was awarded by the state to install the line upgrade and tank. The State Bond Commission recently approved a \$1.5 million USDA loan for the water line from Calcasieu Parish.

In order to move the water line project forward more quickly, the District applied for a \$1 million loan last year from the Calcasieu Public Trust Authority.

The Authority operates as a transfer agency for funds, loaning money to start a project and being paid back when the grant funds are issued. The USDA loan will be used to pay back the loan from the Calcasieu Public Trust.

## Cameron Parish history

**(EDITOR'S NOTE--The following history was found on the internet but the author was not told.)**

Prior to 1870, the region that is now Cameron Parish had been a part of varied political divisions. During the 17th and 18th centuries, the territory lying between the Sabine and the Calcasieu, called by the Spaniards the Rio Stondo, or Deep River, was known as the Neutral Strip.

Spain had claimed the Calcasieu River as the boundary; the question again arose between the governments of the United States and Mexico. In 1819, a final settlement placed the boundary at the Sabine.

Louisiana was early divided into parishes, ill-defined though they were. The present Cameron Parish fell into two of these. The territory west of the Mermentau belonged to Opelousas-east of the river to the Attakapas.

The Opelousas district, became St. Landry Parish. The southwestern section of St. Landry was later converted into Calcasieu Parish. In 1870, the extreme southern part of Calcasieu was included the newly-created parish of Cameron.

The land east of the Mermentau has been a part of five different parishes. In 1807, it was included in the formation of St. Martin. In 1828, it became a part of Lafayette Parish, which was

carved from the southern part of St. Martin Parish. Vermilion Parish was formed from the southern part of Lafayette in 1844 and in 1870, the southwestern corner of Vermilion became a part of the new parish of Cameron.

### INDIANS HERE FIRST

The earliest inhabitants of the present parish are believed to have been Indians of the Attakapas tribe. Although the Indian name is derived from a term meaning "man eaters," it remains an unsettled question as to whether they were actually cannibalistic. Comparatively large concentrations of Indian archaeological finds have been unearthed around the shores of Grand Lake and particularly on Little Pecan.

Burial mounds are also found on Little Chenier. Pots, beads, and arrowheads are found on all the cheniers, indicating that the Indian population must have been large and widespread. It may be that the Spanish explorers under Cabeza de Vaca touched at points along the Cameron coast.

DeSoto's survivors most certainly landed on its shores on their voyage from the mouth of the Mississippi to the Spanish colonies in Mexico. The pirate brothers, Jean and Pierre LaFitte, were undoubtedly on the Cameron rivers and bayous and may have gone inland to build temporary camps on the wooded

cheniers.

Tradition tells us that the first white settlers in the area were a family bearing the surname of Phillips. They lived at the western end of Grand Chenier beside the bank of the Mermentau in a shack built of poles covered with palmettos. A lone Indian had attached himself to their household.

### 1824 HURRICANE

A hurricane swept in. A number of Louisiana weather authorities pinpoint it as the disastrous one of 1824. The sole survivor was the Indian. He later crossed the marshes till he found other white people to whom he reported the tragedy.

The boundary between the United States and Mexico was not officially settled until 1819. The disputed area developed into a virtual "no man's land." Devoid of official supervision, it became a hide-out for criminals. After the Sabine River had been decided upon as the line of demarcation, the federal government sent in officials to control the territory.

Another factor delayed the settlement of present Cameron until the 1830s. Previously, Congress had reserved the tracts of liveoak lands as naval reserves. When it was determined that such vast amounts of oak timber were no longer needed for shipbuilding, an amendment was passed to free the cheniers (oak groves) for private ownership. Pre-emption laws, similar to the Homestead Act passed by Congress in 1862, were in existence at the time. Many of the early immigrants to the cheniers availed themselves of these laws.

About the same time, Congress passed a law to pay off old army veterans with

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## P. Marshals are named

Barbara Lou LeBlanc and Yvonne Mhire have been named as the Parade Marshals for the 2008 Louisiana Fur and Wildlife Festival parade which will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 12 in Cameron.

"Barbara Lou and Yvonne have worked for the festival for many years and have done a fantastic job," said Freddie Richard, parade chairman.

The parade will form at the Cameron Construction yard east of Cameron and then move west through the town.

## Duck Off is Jan. 26th

The 10th annual Hackberry Duck Off will be held Saturday, Jan. 26, starting with a golf tournament at 8 a.m. at Bayou Oaks Country Club.

The other events will be held at the Hackberry Community Center as follows:

Skeet Shooting, 8 a.m.  
 Quarter Bingo, 10 a.m.  
 Saturday Night, 6 p.m.,  
 Duck Cook Off, T-shirts,  
 Food, Silent & Live Auctions,  
 DJ.

Everyone is invited to come out, enjoy the fun and help raise money for the youth of Hackberry. If anyone is interested in participating in any event, please call Hackberry Rod and Gun at 762-3391.

For more information and to enter teams in the golf tournament call 762-3391.

## Mardi Gras run set at Big Lake

The Krewe de Deux Lac will accept new members at their planning meeting to be held at the Fireman's Center in Grand Lake on Saturday, Jan. 5 at 12 noon. Contact David Reed at 598-2429 for details.

Krewe de Deux Lac is planning their Mardi Gras Run for Saturday, Jan. 26. Members of the Krewe will gather at the parking lot of Harbor Lights Restaurant in Big Lake at 9 a.m. They will be traveling in a trailer and cars gathering food supplies for a meal.

They will begin their visits in the community in Sweetlake, then Grand Lake, and end at David Reed's camp in Big Lake. As the travel through the community, they will be passing out candy and beads to the children and those young of heart.

## Open house re-set

The Open House for the Johnson Bayou Bookmobile has been rescheduled to Wednesday, Jan. 30, from 1-3 p.m. at the Johnson Bayou Library, according to Charlotte Trosclair, Director, Cameron Parish Library.



**THE 2008 LOUISIANA Fur and Wildlife Festival Cookbook is now on sale at locations around the parish including all Cameron Parish Library branches, Capital One Bank in Cameron, Brown's Grocery in Hackberry and Grand Lake, Kelley Mart in Grand Chenier, Kountry Store in Creole, and Carroll's Quick Mart in Cameron. On the cover of the book is a picture of the 2007 King and Queen, Roland Primeaux and Kayla LaVergne.**

## Cookbooks on sale

The Fur Festival Cookbooks are now on sale. The books cost \$15 and are available at all Cameron Parish Library branches, Capital One in Cameron, Brown's Grocery in Hackberry and Grand Lake, Chesson's in Grand

Lake, Kelley Mart in Grand Chenier, Carroll's Quick Mart in Cameron, and Kountry Store in Creole.

The cookbooks will also be sold at the pageants on Saturday, Jan. 5 and on the festival grounds Friday and Saturday, Jan. 11 and 12.

## Fur Festival Schedule

### SATURDAY, JAN. 5

All pageants will be held at the Lake Charles Civic Centers Rosa Hart Theater.  
 10 a.m. - Little Mr. & Miss Cameron Parish  
 2 p.m. - Deb, Teen & Jr. Miss Cameron Parish  
 7 p.m. - Miss Cameron Parish & Fur Queen Pageant King Fur will also be crowned at this pageant.  
 Price to enter the pageants will be \$5 per pageant or \$10 for all three events.

### FRIDAY, JAN. 11

All events will take place on the fairgrounds located at the old Cameron Elementary School grounds.

12 p.m. - Fairgrounds will open.

12 p.m. - Trap Shooting will open located on the south end of the Cameron Elementary grounds.

12 p.m. - Carnival will open at the fairgrounds.

5:30-9:30 p.m. - Steel Shot Band

### SATURDAY, JAN. 12

9 a.m. - Fairgrounds and Carnival will open.

11 a.m. - Trap Shooting, Muskrat and Nutria Skinning, Trap Setting, Oyster Shucking

1 p.m. - Parade (parade will start at Cameron Construction yard east of Cameron)

3 p.m. - Duck and Goose Calling Competition  
 3:30-5:30 p.m. - Jaime Bergeron and the Kickin Cajun's  
 6:30-9:30 p.m. - Barry Badon and the Bayou Boys

## Parade set

The Fur Festival Parade will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 12. The parade will begin at the Cameron Construction yard, east of Cameron.

Anyone who would like to ride in the parade is asked to contact Freddie Richard at 250-5958 or 480-4104.



**THIS PHOTO** of a shrimp boat, probably docked at Grand Chenier, was used several years ago on a Christmas card sent out by Lake Charles Mayor Randy Roach and his family. He formerly represented Cameron Parish in the Legislature. Note the snow on the dock.



**12 YEARS TO GO --** Workmen were shown installing the Cameron Parish Centennial Time Capsule in 1970 as part of the 100th birthday celebration for the parish. The capsule has been located in the vestibule on the second floor of the courthouse for the past 30 years and was not damaged by Hurricane Rita. The capsule, which contains photographs, newspapers and mementos from 1970, will be opened in 2020.



**CAMERON PARISH** Libraries have many local interest books for sale by the authors, including cookbooks, Hurricane Audrey and Rita books, and the new Turnbull photograph book. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

# Funerals

## SUSAN STEWART FOX

The funeral for Mrs. Charles (Susan Stewart) Fox Jr., 66, of Milton was held Monday, Dec. 31, in First United Methodist Church of Lake Arthur. The Rev. Susan Pugh officiated. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery.

Mrs. Fox died Saturday, Dec. 29, 2007 in Lafayette General Hospital.

She was a native of Houma and had been a resident of Milton for 23 years, moving there from Lake Arthur. She was a 1958 graduate of Lake Arthur High School. She attended SLI (now University of Louisiana-Lafayette.)

(Mrs. Fox was the daughter of the late Bernice Hollister Denny, who was a native of Grand Chenier and who for many years wrote a column for the Cameron Pilot on Cameron Parish folklore and history.)

Survivors include her husband, Charles H. Fox Jr., of Milton; one daughter, Jenny Fox Broussard of Anahuac, Tex.; three sons, Marvin Fox of Damascus, Ark., Troy Fox of Phoenix and Jeff Fox of Lake Arthur; 10 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

## KENNETH J. ROUX SR.

Kenneth Joseph Roux, 79, died Monday, Dec. 31, 2007 at a Lake Charles center.

Mr. Roux was a lifetime resident of Cameron Parish and a member of Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Dee Roux; his parents, William and Rosie Roux; and brothers, Archie, Bailey and Roland Roux.

Survivors include a son, Kenneth J. Roux Jr., and wife Carrie of Cypress, Tex; one sister, Oleta Watts of Houston; and one granddaughter.

A memorial service will be at 2 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 5, in Hixson Funeral Home of Lake Charles. Bro. Ed Smith will officiate.



**CROWNED AS Little Mr. and Miss Cameron Parish last year at the Louisiana Fur and Wildlife Festival pageants in Lake Charles were Colby Blake Benoit and Jacee Camille Miltenberger. The 2008 Little Mr. and Miss Cameron Parish will be crowned Saturday night, Jan. 5, in Lake Charles.** (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



**WINNERS OF queen titles at the 2007 Louisiana Fur and Wildlife Festival pageants were Kristen Broussard, Teen Miss Cameron Parish; Misty LeSueur, Junior Miss Cameron Parish; and Morgan Hardie, Deb Miss Cameron Parish.** (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



**ROYALTY CROWNED at the 2007 Louisiana Fur and Wildlife pageant were, from left: Fur Queen Kayla LaVergne, Little Miss Cameron Jacee Miltenberger, King Fur Roland Primeaux, Little Mr. Cameron Colby Benoit, and Miss Cameron Parish Haley Willis.** (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

# Fur Festival has had 50 queens during the last half century

The Louisiana Fur and Wildlife Festival has had 50 queens since the festival was begun in 1956, with Vida Brown of Vermilion Parish being crowned the first queen.

Eleven of the queens have been from Cameron Parish-- Nancy Precht, the first queen in 1957; Debbie LaBove in 1961; Cheri Griffith in 1971; Gail Riggs in 1972; Susan Woodgett in 1976; Joni Gray in 1979; Yvonne Savoie in 1982; Selika Miller in 1985; Adrienne Picou in 1995; Heather Sturlese in 1999; and Trista Semien in 2004.

Other queens have come from the fur-producing parishes of Vermilion, Iberia, St. Mary, Terrebonne, Plaquemine, St. Charles, St. Mary, LaFourche, St. John, St. Tammany and Calcasieu.

### LOUISIANA FUR & WILDLIFE QUEEN

- 1956 - Vida Brown, Vermilion.
- 1957 - Nancy Precht, Cameron.
- 1958 - Festival cancelled due to Hurricane Audrey.
- 1959 - Peggy Seago, Iberia.
- 1960 - June Robicheaux, St. Mary.
- 1961 - Debbie LaBove, Cameron.
- 1962 - Pat O'Neil, Vermilion.
- 1963 - Susan Beinvenue, Terrebonne.
- 1964 - Gail Broussard, Iberia.
- 1965 - Susan Arcement, Vermilion.
- 1966 - Schere Saia, Terrebonne.
- 1967 - Linda Trappey, Iberia.
- 1968 - Nancy Jordan, Plaquemine.
- 1969 - Jane Weilbacher, St. Charles.
- 1970 - Doylene Lasiter, St. Mary.
- 1971 - Cherie Griffith, Cameron.
- 1972 - Gail Riggs, Cameron.
- 1973 - Gwendolyn Phelps, LaFourche.
- 1974 - Ann Guillot, St. John the Baptist.
- 1975 - Alexis Alexander, Jefferson.
- 1976 - Susan Woodgett, Cameron.
- 1977 - Jenny Sue Bird, St.

- Charles.
- 1978 - Sharon Laney, St. Charles.
- 1979 - Joni Gray, Cameron.
- 1980 - Cindy Rice, St. John the Baptist.
- 1981 - Donna Harmon, Calcasieu.
- 1982 - Yvonne Savoie, Cameron.
- 1983 - Andrie Bergeron, Terrebonne.
- 1984 - Elizabeth Primm, Terrebonne.
- 1985 - Selika Miller, Cameron.
- 1986 - Kelly Foster, Calcasieu.
- 1987 - Lisa Roberts, Iberia.
- 1988 - Karen Engeron, Terrebonne.
- 1989 - Michelle Morris, LaFourche.
- 1990 - Lisa Rouse, Terrebonne.
- 1991 - Sonya Landry, Iberia.
- 1992 - Kelly Becnel, St. John the Baptist.
- 1993 - Belinda Denise

- Clemons, St. Tammany.
- 1994 - Erika Schwartz, St. Tammany.
- 1995 - Adrienne Picou, Cameron.
- 1996 - Marie Des Ormeaux, Vermilion.
- 1997 - Alison Hotard, St. John the Baptist.
- 1998 - Summer Parker, Jefferson Davis.
- 1999 - Heather Sturlese, Cameron.
- 2000 - Millie Harris, Jefferson.
- 2001 - Courtney Tatman, St. Charles.
- 2002 - Shannon Hinton, St. John the Baptist.
- 2003 - Tiffany Wing, Calcasieu.
- 2004 - Trista Semien, Cameron.
- 2005 - Cadi Pedigo, Eunice.
- 2006 - Festival cancelled due to Hurricane Rita.
- 2007 - Kayla Danyl LaVergne, Vermilion Parish.



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## HISTORY

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land grants to the formerly reserved naval lands. The elderly or middle aged veterans had little desire to move westward. They sold their grants to speculators, who in turn sold to prospective landowners.

In the 1830s and '40s, a wave of migration from Virginia, the Carolinas, Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi swept into the cheniers. Some also came from Texas, sojourners there for a few years after having left their original homes in some of the northeastern and eastern states. They were for the most part of Celtic or Anglo-Saxon lineage.

Later arrivals came mostly from the French of Louisiana, descendants of the displaced Acadians or of French Creoles. Early census records contain names of individuals born in various foreign countries. The present parish has been cited for the cosmopolitanism of its beginners.

To Be Continued In A Later Issue



# Open House

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# Fur Queen Contestants



Kellie Buller  
Allen Parish



Adrienne Romero  
Calcasieu Parish



Haley Willis  
Cameron Parish



Johanna Daigle  
Evangeline Parish



Cristi Lee  
Jeff Davis Parish



Kelsie Soudelier  
Jefferson Parish



Brooke Henry  
Lafayette Parish



Brooke Bourgeois  
St. James Parish



Lauren Naquin  
Vermilion Parish

## Nine girls competing for Fur Festival queen Sat.

Nine young women will be competing for the title of 2008 Louisiana Fur & Wildlife Festival Queen on Saturday, Jan. 5, at Rosa Hart Theater of the Lake Charles Civic Center. They are:

Allen Parish - Kellie Buller of Sulphur, daughter of Howard and Melanie Buller.

Calcasieu Parish - Adrienne Romero of Sulphur, daughter of Michael and Angie Romero.

Cameron Parish - Haley Willis of Cameron, daughter of John and Recia Willis.

Evangeline Parish - Johanna Daigle of Eunice, daughter of Darryl and Roxanne Daigle.

Jefferson Parish - Kelsie Soudelier of DesAllemands, daughter of Lloyd and Rica Soudelier.

Jeff Davis Parish - Cristi

Lee of Lacassine, daughter of Craig and Vanessa Lee.

Lafayette Parish - Brooke Henry of Rayne, daughter of Mike and Debbie Henry.

St. James Parish - Brooke Bourgeois of Paulina, daughter of Todd and Melissa

Bourgeois.

Vermilion Parish - Lauren Naquin of Breaux Bridge, daughter of Mark and Ann Naquin.



**RANDY AND CONNIE** Boullion of Vinton announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, **Alicia Nicole Boullion**, to **Lancey Ryan Silver**, son of Robert and Alta Silver of Hackberry. The wedding is set for Friday, Jan. 25 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Vinton at 7 p.m. A reception will follow at the American Legion Hall.

## School menus are told

Cameron Parish School lunch menus are as follows:

Friday, Jan. 4 - Barbecue burger, oven fries, baked hamburger bun, catsup, milk

Monday, Jan. 7 - Hamburger, oven fries, lettuce cup, chocolate chip cookies, hamburger bun, catsup, milk

Tuesday, Jan. 8 - Enchilada casserole, tossed

salad, baked potato, chilled peach slices, wheat sliced bread, milk

Wednesday, Jan. 9 - Chili frito pie, whole kernal corn, apple/orange wedges, royal brownies, wheat sliced bread, milk

Thursday, Jan 10 - Beef nachos, salsa, pinto beans, fresh vegetables, cinnamon rolls, tortilla chips, salad dressing, milk

The 51st Louisiana Fur and Wildlife Festival will be held Friday, Jan. 11 and Saturday, Jan. 12



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## Little Mr. and Miss Contestants



Gracie Benoit  
Grand Chenier



Allie Bonsall  
Grand Chenier



Marlee Boudreaux  
Grand Lake



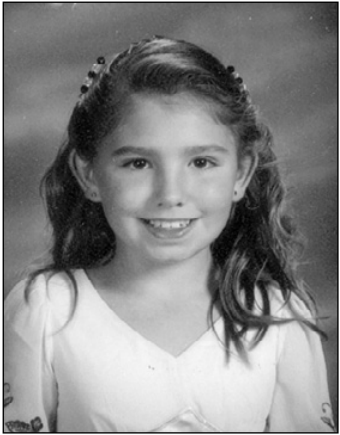
Baleigh Conner  
Creole



Maeleigh Conner  
Grand Lake



Lexi-Jo DeBarge  
Cameron



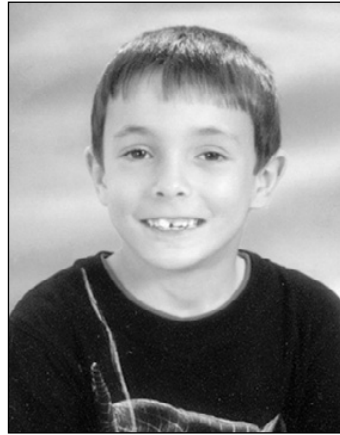
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Grand Lake



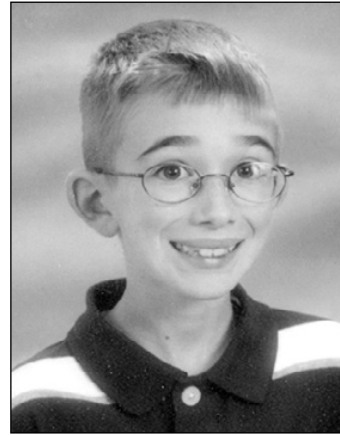
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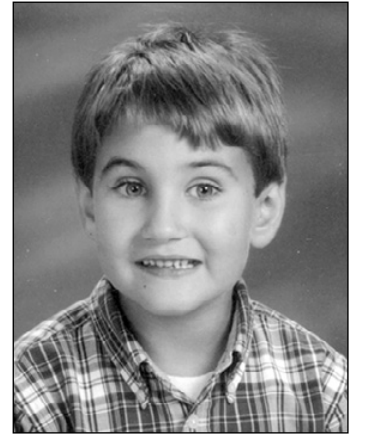
Quincy Mudd  
Grand Lake



Zoey Bailey  
Cameron



James Dupont  
Creole



Kannon Guilbeau  
Creole

### 15 competing for the titles of Little Miss & Mr. Cameron

15 Cameron girls and boys will be competing for the Little Mr. and Miss titles at the Louisiana Fur & Wildlife Festival program at 10 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 5 in the Rosa Hart Theatre at the Lake Charles Civic Center. The contestants are:

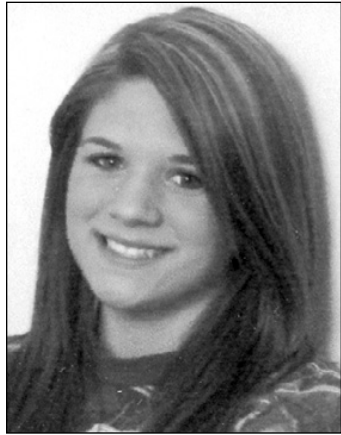
**LITTLE MR. CAMERON**  
Zoey Eugene Bailey of Cameron, son of Donna and Joe Sponseller.  
James Tyler Dupont of Creole, son of Tim and Missy Dupont.

Kannon Blane Guilbeau of Creole, son of Recia Willis and Johathan Guilbeau

**LITTLE MISS CAMERON**  
Gracie Beth Benoit of Grand Chenier, daughter of Casi Pinch and Charles Benoit.

Allie Nicole Bonsall of Grand Chenier, daughter of Kenton and Kris Bonsall.  
Marlee Michelle Boudreaux of Grand Lake, daughter of Kendal and Brooke Boudreaux.  
Baleigh Nicole Conner of

### Junior Miss Contestants



Jerrica Mock



Mikalee Mooney



Amber Trahan



Kirstyn Vincent

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### Teen Miss Contestants



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# Deb Miss Contestants



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Alexis Call



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Kourtlyn Duhon



Linlee LaLande



Blair Little



Samantha Little



Savannah Quinn



Madeline Russell



Destiny Simon

## Free cooking demonstration set at Sulphur

West Calcasieu Cameron Hospital is offering a free cooking demonstration, "Low Salt and Loving It" on Thursday, Jan. 17 from 10 a.m. until noon. Featuring Fran Landry, RD and director of Nutrition Services of WCC, the seminar will be held at Dynamic Dimensions in Sulphur.

Landry will demonstrate several recipes that are full of flavor and low on sodium, and give tips on how to lower the sodium content in favorite recipes. Samples of the dishes will be available. Reserve space by calling 527-5459.

## Fur Festival pageants to be held Saturday in L. C.

The Deb, Teen, Junior and Miss Cameron Parish Pageants will be held Saturday, Jan. 5, at the Rosa Heart Theatre in Lake Charles beginning with Deb, Teen and Junior Miss Cameron at 2 p.m. and Miss

Cameron with Fur Queen at 7 p.m. Contestants are:

### DEB MISS CAMERON

Callie Nicole Brevelle, daughter of Mark and Laurie Brevelle.  
Alexis Sierra Call, daughter of Chad and Maranda DeBarge.

## Miss Cameron



Lacey Hays



Julie Holmes

daughter of Chad and Maranda DeBarge.  
Cami Elizabeth Richard, daughter of Richard and Shantelle Richard.

### JUNIOR MISS CAMERON

Jerrica Lane Mock, daughter of Jerry and Emily Mock.  
Mikalee Beth Mooney, daughter of Tony and Chris Mooney.

Amber Marie Trahan, daughter of Gayla and the late Brad Trahan.

Kirstyn Vincent, daughter of Ray Vincent and Steve and Kim Hornsby.

### MISS CAMERON PARISH

Lacey Hays, daughter of Kim and Pat Hebert and Brian Hays.

Julie Holmes, daughter of Craig and Penny Holmes.

Kami Savoie, daughter of Daniel and the late Lisa Savoie.

Kaitlin Theriot, daughter of Rodger and Karen Theriot.

### • NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC •

Due to the swearing-in ceremony for newly elected Police Jurors, the Cameron Parish Police Jury will not hold its January voting meeting until 5:30 p.m., January 14, 2008. The meeting will be preceded by a 3 p.m. agenda meeting. All meetings are held in the courtroom of the Cameron Courthouse.

RUN: Jan. 3 & 10 (J-6)

### • JOB ANNOUNCEMENT • REGISTERED NURSE

Part-time position available at the Cameron Parish Health Unit in Cameron, LA as a Public Health Nurse 1, 2, or 3 in a clinical setting.

Please see the Civil Service Website at <http://www.dscs.state.la.us> to get an application to apply for this position and to view the minimum qualifications, salary, and job specifications. Click on LINK about "find a job" on Civil Service website.

You may call Polly Strickland at 337-824-2193 ext. 211 if you need additional information.

Equal Opportunity Employer

RUN: Dec. 27 & Jan. 3 (D-43)

### — REGISTRATION — DEADLINE FOR

### "February 9, 2008, ELECTION"

In order to vote in the February 9, 2008 election, you must be registered by January 8, 2008.

You can REGISTER by mail (by requesting a form) or you can come into our office located in Cameron behind the courthouse, 1st trailer to the right. Our phone number is (337) 775-5493.

Thank You,  
Suzanne Sturlese, Registrar

RUN: Dec. 27 & 1/3 (D-44)



Kami Savoie



Kaitlin Theriot

ter of Randall and Shannon Cramer.

Shyla Conner, daughter of Neal and Patricia Conner.

Katherine Elizabeth Deshotel, daughter of Chad and Mary Deshotel.

Kourtlyn Duhon, daughter of Holly and Tommy Shepard.

Linlee Lane Lalande, daughter of Lee and Delisa Lalande

Blair Angelle Little, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brent Little.

Samantha Ann Little, daughter of Tim and Angie Little.

Destiny Simon, daughter of Larry and Grace Simon.

Savannah Mary Quinn, daughter of Kirk and Jene' Quinn.

Madeline Russell daughter of Timothy and Elizabeth Russell.

### TEEN MISS CAMERON

Taylor Elizabeth Canik, daughter of John and Mary Canik.

Breann Paige DeBarge,

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### — JOB AD —

The Cameron Parish School Board is accepting applications for the position of Business Manager (2 to be hired). Minimum Bachelor's degree from accredited college or university required. Experience in accounting, finance or related areas preferred.

Starting Salary: BA or BS - \$42,034.76; Master's - \$42,579.76; PhD or CPA - \$42,961.26, (increases accrued per verifiable years of applicable experience; all full-time benefits available).

Applicants must provide the following:

- Certified copy of college/university transcript(s)
- Copy of current driver's license
- Complete resume' of professional accomplishments and educational preparation, proficiency in specific computer programs, and including a minimum of three (3) letters of recommendations

Please mail application to: Stephanie Rodrigue, Superintendent, Cameron Parish School Board, P. O. Box 1548, Cameron, LA 70631, or hand deliver to Superintendent Stephanie Rodrigue: 1027 Hwy. 384, Grand Lake, LA 70607 (in temporary building on west side of Grand Lake High School)

Application Packet Receipt Deadline: January 4, 2008.

RUN: Dec. 13, 20, 27 & Jan 3 (D-36)

### — JOB AD —

The Cameron Parish School Board is accepting applications for the position of Office Clerical. Minimum Bachelor's degree from accredited technical school, college or university. Experience in computerized data entry, filing, telephone, reception and other office skills preferred.

Starting Salary: Non-degreed - \$26,087.10; Associate's - \$27,587.10; Bachelor's - \$28,587.10, (increases accrued per verifiable years of applicable experience; all full-time benefits available).

Applicants must provide the following:

- Certified copy of college/university transcript(s)
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## Thank You,

The Cameron Council on Aging board of directors and staff wish to thank the following sponsors for contributing to the success of the Senior Citizens Christmas party:

Cheniery Energy, Nash Fence Co., Mr. and Mrs. Greg Dawsey, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McDaniel, Scriber Insurance, Cameron Parish Police Jurors, Cameron Cable, Cameron Industrial, Senator Theunissen, Bayou Signs, B and L Spray Foam, Poole Roofing, Topstitch, Cameron Fire Equipment, Salon Elegance, Gulf Coast Supply, Jeff Davis Electric, Cameron State Bank, Cameron Communications, Southern Services, Dynamics, Ken Conner Tires, Farm Bureau, Clifton Hebert, Charlotte Trosclair, 4K Services, Mona Kelley, Wendell's Electric, Council on Aging Staff, Community Action Agency Staff, Randy Goodloe, Richard Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Tramayne Picou, Midstream Fuel, Ernie Broussard and Staff and Dr. Fayez Shamieh - In Memory of Lorrie Broussard.

# LEGAL NOTICES

## NOTICE BY OWNER OF ACCEPTANCE OF WORK

This is to advise that the contract between Water Works District No. 2, Ward 6, and Bergeron Welding, Inc. dated January 29, 2007, in the amount of \$347,571.36, which was filed and recorded on January 29, 2007, bearing File #302388, of the Records of Mortgages for Cameron Parish, Louisiana, is substantially complete and was accepted by Water Works District No. 2, Ward 6, on November 27, 2007, and was recorded at the Cameron Parish Clerk of Court on November 29, 2007.

Any person or persons holding a claim against said contract for New Administration/Shop Building; Cameron Parish, Louisiana; LEI Project No. 06-030; should file a claim with the Clerk of Court of Cameron Parish, Louisiana, on or before January 13, 2008.

Water Works District No. 2, Ward 6  
/s/ Alton Schexnider, President  
Run: Dec. 6, 20 & Jan. 3 (D 5)

## LEGAL NOTICE

This is to advise that the Cameron Parish Police Jury meeting in regular session convened on the 3rd day of December, 2007 accepted as complete and satisfactory the work performed under Project Number 2007-09: Post Rita Restoration of Holly Beach Drainage Facilities pursuant to the certain contract between K.A.S. Construction, LLC and said Cameron Parish Police Jury recorded under File No. 305685 in the Book of Mortgages, Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that any person or persons having claims arising out of the furnishing of labor, supplies, material, etc., in the construction of the said work should file said claim with the Clerk of Court of Cameron Parish, Louisiana on or before forty-five (45) days after the first publication hereof, all in the manner and form as prescribed by law. After the elapse of said time, the Cameron Parish Police Jury will pay all sums in the absence of any such claims or liens.

BY: BONNIE W. CONNER, SECRETARY

Run: Dec. 6, 13, 20, 27, Jan. 3, 10, 17 (D 18)

## NOTICE OF OWNER OF ACCEPTANCE OF WORK

This is to advise that the contract between Water Works District No. 2, Ward 6, and SIMCO Enterprises, LTD. dated July 3, 2007, in the amount of \$571,110.00, which was filed and recorded on July 3, 2007 bearing File No. 305277 of the Records of Mortgages for Cameron Parish Louisiana, is substantially complete and was accepted by Water Works District No. 2, Ward 6, on December 4, 2007, and was recorded at the Cameron Parish Clerk of Court on December 7, 2007 bearing File No. 308150.

Any person or persons holding a claim against said contract for Water Line Extension (Gallegos Drive to Semptra Facility - Hackberry); Cameron Parish, Louisiana; LEI Project No. 07-011; should file a claim with the Clerk

of Court of Cameron Parish, Louisiana, on or before January 20, 2008.

Water Works District No. 2, Ward 6  
/s/ Alton Schexnider, President  
Run: Dec. 13, 27 & Jan. 10 (D 32)

## Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority PUBLIC HEARINGS

State Fiscal Year 2009 Draft Annual Plan  
The Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority of Louisiana (CPRA), will hold the following public hearings to receive comments and recommendations from the public and from elected officials on Louisiana's draft "Fiscal Year 2009 Annual Plan: Integrated Ecosystem Restoration and Hurricane Protection in Coastal Louisiana".

Tuesday, January 15, 2008 at 3:00 p.m., Central School, 809 Kirby Street, Lake Charles, 70601.

Thursday, January 17, 2008 at 3:00 p.m., Lindy Boggs Conference Center, CERM Building, 2045 Lakeshore Drive, Room 256, New Orleans, LA. 70122.

Wednesday, January 23, 2008 at 3:00 p.m., Vermilion Parish Library, Abbeville Branch, 405 E. Saint Victor Street, Abbeville LA. 70510.

Wednesday, January 30, 2008 at 3:00 p.m., Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government, Government Tower Building, Council Meeting Room, 2nd Floor, 8026 Main Street, Houma, LA. 70360.

The CPRA will receive written comments and recommendations on the draft annual plan until March 3, 2008. Written comments should be mailed (to arrive no later than March 3, 2008) to the following address:

Coastal Protection & Restoration Authority, c/o DNR, P. O. Box 94396, Baton Rouge, LA. 70804-9396.

If, because of a disability, you require special assistance to participate, please contact the DNR Secretary, at P. O. Box 94396, Baton Rouge, LA. 70804-9396, or by telephone at (225) 342-5175 or (225) 342-5160.

Please visit <http://lacpra.org> for more detailed information and a copy of the draft Annual Plan or call (225) 342-5175 or (225) 342-5160.  
Run: Jan. 3 (J 1)

## PROCEEDINGS CAMERON PARISH WATER AND WASTEWATER DISTRICT NO. 1

November 29, 2007  
The Cameron Parish Water and Wastewater District No. 1 Board met in regular session on Thursday November 29, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. in the water district office located at 126 Ann Street in the town of Cameron, Louisiana.

Members present were: J. C. Murphy, Bobby Doxey, James Boudreaux, Paul Duhon, and Tony Porche.

Absent: Tammy Peshoff, Angie Brown.

President J. C. Murphy called the meeting to order.

On a motion by James Boudreaux, seconded by Tony Porche and carried to add to the agenda; a resolution to accept the

insurance settlement from LA Citizens, pending acceptance by the Cameron Parish Police Jury.

On a motion by James Boudreaux, seconded by Paul Duhon and carried to approve and dispense from reading of the October minutes.

On a motion by Paul Duhon, seconded by Tony Porche and carried to approve the financial statement.

On a motion by Bobby Doxey, seconded by James Boudreaux and carried that the bills for the month be paid.

On a motion by Tony Porche, seconded by James Boudreaux and carried to accept the amended 2007 budget.

On a motion by Paul Duhon, seconded by Bobby Doxey and carried to advertise the 2008 proposed budget.

On a motion by Tony Porche, seconded by Bobby Doxey and carried to proceed with a camera survey to access damages to well #7 and have a report ready for the December meeting.

On a motion by James Boudreaux, seconded by Tony Porche and carried to present to the Cameron Parish Police Jury that Cameron Parish Water and Wastewater District #1 Board will accept the insurance settlement from Louisiana Citizens Insurance Company.

On a motion by Paul Duhon, seconded by Tony Porche and carried, there being no further business the meeting stand adjourned.

/s/ Bobby Doxey, Bobby Doxey, Vice President  
Cameron Parish Water & Wastewater District #1  
/s/ Kathryn Guilbeau  
Kathryn Guilbeau, Secretary  
Run: Jan. 3 (J 2)

## ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals for the construction for the following project will be received by the Cameron Parish Recreation District 7 on Thursday, January 24, 2008 until 2:00 p.m. at the Creole Community Center located at 184 East Creole Hwy., Creole, Louisiana 70632 (337-542-4603 or 337-542-4614)

### Project Number: 2007-16 Post Rita Restoration of Creole Ball Park Facility

Bids must be submitted on the prescribed form. All blank spaces for bid prices must be filled in, using ink and in both words and figures, with the unit price for the item or the lump sum for which the bid is made. The bidder shall provide all information indicated on the attached forms. Failure to provide the information indicated constitutes informality in the proposal, rendering it subject to rejection by the owner.

All bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes bearing on the outside the name of the project on which the proposal is submitted. If forwarded by mail, the sealed envelope containing the proposal and marked as directed above, must be enclosed in another envelope addressed as specified in the proposal form, and preferably sent by registered mail.

For the purpose of award, the product of the approximate quantities of each item shown in the proposal by their respective unit prices will be considered the amount of the bid on each item. The correct summation of these products will be the amount bid on the entire work.

Proposal forms will not be issued later 24 hours prior to the hour and date set for receiving proposals.

Full information and proposal forms are available at the office of: Lonnie G Harper & Associates, Inc., 2746 Highway 384, Bell City, LA., 70630, 337-905-1079.

Bids must be submitted on proposal forms provided by the engineer. Official action will be taken at the regularly scheduled Cameron Parish Recreation District 7 meeting. Cameron Parish Reception District 7 reserves the right to reject any or all the proposals and to waive any informality.

Cameron Parish Recreation District 7  
/s/ Angela Conner, President  
Run: Jan. 3, 10, 17 (J 3)

## NOTICE

The Cameron Community Action Agency is soliciting bids for the performance of their 2007 audit. Persons interested in submitting a bid of the work should contact Cameron Community Action Agency office at 951 Hwy 384, Lake Charles, LA 70607 or call (337) 598-5158 or (337) 905-6000 to secure an RFP packet. Explained in the RFP are the details of the program and the deadlines. Work records may be reviewed by potential bidders on January 17th and 18th 2008, by appointment. The audit proposal is due by January 31, 2008. The final audit is due March 31, 2008. Contact Dinah Landry, Executive Director or Lana Miller, Assistant Director.  
Run: Jan. 3 & 10 (J 4)

## SHERIFF'S SALE

THIRTY-EIGHT JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
PARISH OF CAMERON  
STATE OF LOUISIANA  
AMERICAN GENERAL FINANCIAL SERVICES OF LOUISIANA, INC.  
V.S. NO. 10-18140  
GAYLE G. BOUDOIN AND THE ESTATE OF LARRY PETE BOUDOIN

By virtue of a writ of EXECUTORY PROCESS issued to me directly by the Honorable Court aforesaid, I have seized and will offer for sale at public auction to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisalment, at the Court House door of this Parish of Cameron, on Wednesday, February 6, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. the following described property to-wit:

Lot Ten (10) of Granger Subdivision, a subdivision of a 13.07 Acre Tract of land in the Southwest Quarter of Section, 12 South, Range 9 West. Improvements thereon bear

# Cameron Sheriff's Report

The following arrests were made by the Cameron Parish Sheriff's Dept. Dec. 19 - Jan. 2:

Chasity Touchet, 30, 369B Marshall, Cameron; Bench warrant (2 counts).

Sasson Leann Brown, 21, 145 Amaco Rd, Cameron; Simple battery.

Ricky Dale Dietz Jr., 23, 118 South Gertrude, Abbeville; Taking contraband into a penal institution.

Bobby Lorton Casados, 28, Spruger, Tex., Came to serve sentence.

Willie LaSalle, 49, 162 Pehsoff St., Cameron; Came to serve sentence.

Jody L. Trahan, 38, 126 Ellen St., Cameron; Probation violation, Expired drivers license, Careless operation, D.W.I.

Bobby Aldrich Bubenik, 48, Fort Smith, Ark., Public intoxication.

Johnny Lee Hicks, 48, 105 Earl Road, Cameron; Bench warrant.

Ryan L. Melder, 23, Colfax; Public intoxication.

Amber Ann Melancon, 19, 1307 East Lafayette, Abbeville; Taking contraband into a penal institution.

Gabriel Keith Porche, 29, 301 Gayle St., Cameron; Poss. of CDS III.



## \$9 billion in grants are given coastal communities to rebuild

Gulf Coast communities devastated by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita are rebuilding with more than \$9 billion in Public Assistance grants provided by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). State and local governments in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas are using these FEMA Public Assistance funds for a variety of repair and reconstruction projects, like damaged schools, roads, utilities and reconstituting other critical infrastructure.

"This is an unprecedented funding level in our nation's history of responding to natural disasters," said Gil Jamieson, FEMA's Associate Deputy Administrator for Gulf Coast Recovery. Over the

the municipal number: 215 Ida Lane, Lake Charles, Louisiana 70607.

seized under said writ.  
Terms: CASH DAY OF SALE.  
/s/ Theos Duhon  
Theos Duhon, Sheriff  
CAMERON PARISH, LA  
Sheriff's Office, Cameron, LA.  
January 02, 2008

JULES A FONTANA  
Attorneys for AMERICAN GENERAL FINANCIAL SERVICES OF LOUISIANA, INC.  
Runs: Jan. 3 & 31 (J 7)

# CLASSIFIEDS

## REAL ESTATE

CENTURY21 BESSETTE Realty, Inc., 3025 Lake Street, Lake Charles, La. 70601 USA, Office: 337-474-2185, Grace Robideaux, Realtor Direct line: 337-310-2167, Cell: 337-496-1611, SWLA Association of Realtors, Harvey Bessette, Owner, & Tara Demarie, Broker:

HEBERT CAMP Road lots: Tract 3 & 4 located on corner of Hebert Camp Road and Tract 1 is situated West of home at 115 Hebert Camp Road. Survey in file. Call Grace @ 496-1611 for more details.

•115 HEBERT Camp Road: Precious 3 yr old 3/2 home in Big Lake about 2 minutes from Hebert's landing. Tastefully decorated with open floor plan and custom wood cabinetry. Vaulted ceiling in living room. Master has Jacuzzi and walk-in closet. Nicely landscaped yard plus outdoor storage room. Call C21-Bessette Realty, Inc. @ 474-2185 and ask for Grace Robideaux-Cell-496-1611.

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## HELP WANTED

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**DO YOU REMEMBER?** Cameron Parish Police Jurors, including three new jurors, will take office this month. Pictured above were jurors who served in 1971. Seated were Horace Mhire, President Frankie Henry and Charles Riggs. Standing were Archie Berwick, Charles Precht, Treasurer Garner Nunez, Jury Secretary Jerry Jones, and Lyle Crain.



**JOLENE DOXEY** was shown winning the oyster shucking contest at last year's Fur Festival. This year's festival will be held on Friday and Saturday, Jan. 11 and 12. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



**MIKALEE MOONEY** was shown skinning her muskrat in the Jr. Women's event Saturday at the 2007 Fur Festival. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



**A CONTESTANT** was pictured taking part in the trap setting contest at last year's Fur and Wildlife Festival in Cameron. The festival, now 51 years old, has featured the parish's fur industry over the years. This year's festival is set for Friday and Saturday, Jan. 11 and 12. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



**LURLENE RODRIGUE** shucks oysters as stopwatches clock her time at last year's Fur Festival. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



# Cameron Outdoors

By LOSTON MCEVERS



## OUTLOOK 2007

The year 2007, was a great year for our sportsmen, both in hunting and fishing as well as bird watching. After Rita, the 2005 hunting season was almost next to none, although we had enjoyed a great year of fishing.

The year 2006 was good fishing, but many boat launches were destroyed, lots of junk and debris was in our waterways; lots of public lands were shut down, but with some of our refuges open, we did enjoy both fresh and saltwater fishing locally.

Bass anglers did however, hit Toledo Bend, Vernon Lake and Sam Rayburn regularly for some great bass fishing.

Local Bass fishing was fair in the Lake Misere area, but our saltwater fishing was great, especially Calcasieu

Lake/Big Lake area, the Cameron and Grand Chenier jetties as the Mermentau River and the rocks of Holly Beach/Johnson Bayou area.

Our 2006 hunting for ducks was great for teal season, with lots of wild rice in the marshes and we had a pretty fair regular season.

The year 2007 can well be remembered as great fishing and hunting here in Cameron Parish.

I think the Calcasieu/Big Lake area has one of the best years for speckle trout and Redfish that was seen in the last 3 to 4 years.

## PLENTY REDFISH

Redfish were everywhere since Rita, scattered throughout our marshes. It was nice when Miami Corporation opened the permit fishing.

Our Bass Club members enjoyed competing in our old fishing grounds. It was sort of funny, you would fish a pond in the Big Burn (spinner bait) and you would catch either a bass, catfish or redfish.

There were days I only went out to the Burns, just to get my limit of redfish, using bass baits. The old Amoco Field in Grand Chenier was the same, only the bass were in Grand Lake to about a mile south of the lake, but yes plenty of redfish and nice blue cats.

I caught catfish there from 3 to 7 pounds and had my partner catch up to 9 pounds.

Again the Mermentau River/Grand Chenier jetties were great fishing, as it took a 30 pounder to stay on the top 3 places for fishing rodeos.

Offshore fishing was good, although there's so many new rules and regulations and small limits like 2 red snappers, that lots of offshore anglers have to fish for anything to make there trip worthwhile.

## TEAL SEASON

The 2007 special teal 16 day season was as good as it could get, with limits of blue-winged teals taken by hunters early. The regular season's first split was great all across our parish, from the Hackberry, Johnson Bayou/Holly Beach area, to

Grand Chenier, Creole to the Vermilion line.

Our second split kind of slowed down in some marshes, but we've still got 18 days left for our regular duck season. We are seeing more geese down, and there's plenty of hunting for geese left.

Dear hunting was slow 2005/06, but 2007 has seen quite a few deer bagged in our area, both by bow and arrow and the geese season.

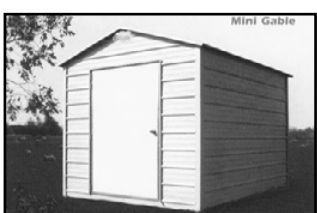
I have been seeing a few rabbit and squirrel which now is the best time to make a hunt, we've had two good "Jack Frosts."

## THING'S GETTING BETTER

We've seen the bad side of Rita, but things are getting better, our hunting and fishing is getting better, so we as sportsmen have to look on the bright side, everything in this world don't come easy, you've got to work for what you get, besides, we still live in a free country, and that's what counts the most.

To all our readers thanks for reading my articles, It feels great when you meet someone and they say, I read your column each week. I hope 2008 brings you luck and good hunting and fishing.

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**MOLLY ALEXANDER** was shown competing in the Junior Trap Shooting event at last year's Louisiana Fur & Wildlife Festival. This year's festival will be held Friday and Saturday, Jan. 11 and 12. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



**FUR QUEEN** Kayla Danyel LaVergne and **Fur King** Roland Primeaux are pictured following their crowning at the 2007 Louisiana Fur and Wildlife Festival pageant. The 2008 King and Queen will be crowned Saturday, Jan. 5 in Lake Charles. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

**Do You Remember?**  
By **KEITH HAMBRICK**

**Cameron Pilot**  
**Jan. 2, 1975**

**ALL PJ INCUMBENTS HAVE OPPOSITION**

The special Feb. 15 election to elect six police jurors for Cameron Parish will have one of the largest fields of candidates in the parish's history--seventeen!

There are six candidates in the Cameron and Creole area; three candidates for the Johnson Bayou area; three for the Grand Chenier area; three for Sweetlake-Grand Lake-Lowery-Klondike area; and two for the Hackberry area.

Here is the complete line-up of candidates for the Feb. 15 primary:

District 1--Division A (Ward 3)--Archie Berwick, incumbent Alton Trahan and Mason Istre.

District 1--Division B (Ward 3--two seats to be filled)--Norman McCall, incumbent, Hayes Picou, Sr., Roland Trosclair, Jr., Willie Ray Conner, Guilda Bargeman, Frances C. Theriot.

District 2 (Ward 6)--C. A. Riggs, incumbent, John R. Rollins.

District 3 (Ward 4 and north part of Ward 1)--Charles Precht, Ward 4 incumbent, Ernest Myers, Ward 1 incumbent, Joseph LeBleu (The combining of Ward 4 and part of Ward 1 left two incumbents in the same district.)

District 4--Lyle Crain, incumbent, Walter J. Dupuie, Joseph Enos Richard.

**HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS**

University students spending the holidays with their parents are: Michael Semien, Marvin LaSalle, Anthony Bartie, Michael McArthur, Veronica Hebert and Randell Williams of McNeese; Edgar Fullwood and Carlton Bishop of Southern; Homer Williams, Mississippi Jr. College; Gregory Harrison, Tulane; Marion Harrison and Daniel Cox, LSU.

**EHC MEETS**

The Grand Chenier Extension Homemakers Club held their monthly meeting Thursday, Nov. 21 in the home of Mrs. Pat Doland. Mrs. Guy Murphy Jr. was co-hostess.

Homemade Christmas ornaments were shown by Mrs. Larry McNease, Mrs. Wayne Wood and Mrs. David Duncan. Crochet gifts were shown by Mrs. Freddie Richard.

**CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**

The Ebenezer Youth Choir presented a Christmas program Dec. 22. They sang Christmas carols and recited poems. Dexter Harrison sang "Silent Night."

Sandra Gardener presented the youth directors, Mrs. Wanita Harrison and Mrs. Mary Cockrell corsages.



**NATIONAL JR.** Muskrat Skinning Champion Matt Minenger, from the Cambridge Outdoor Show, showed his skill in Cameron at the 2007 Fur and Wildlife Festival. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



**AN INTERESTED** crowd watched the outdoor skills contests at the 2007 Fur and Wildlife Festival. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

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