



SECTIONS OF the South Cameron Memorial Hospital have arrived in Creole. As soon as weather permits they will be placed on the piers, joined together, and assembled into a complete emergency room with acute care rooms. The hospital hopes to open in March. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

Shell offers aid to Louisiana fishermen

The Shell Oil Company has committed \$250,000 to fund a pilot project to help Louisiana's commercial fishermen recover from the devastating impacts of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Fishermen can be eligible for Back to the Dock grants of \$5,000 to help repair boats and equipment; replace equipment; or for initial working capital to return to work, which has not been provided through other financing sources.

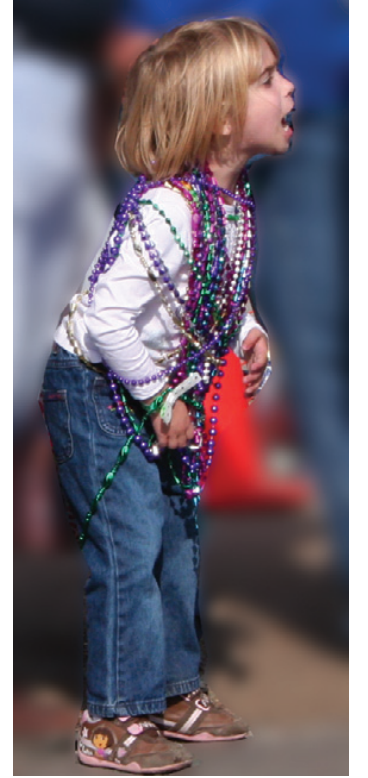
The grant program was developed by Shell, the Louisiana Seafood Promotion & Marketing Board and the Louisiana Association of Planning and Development districts (LAPDD). The project will be administered by the five Regional Planning

Districts that serve Louisiana's coastal parishes.

Application forms can be obtained in hard copy from planning district offices and electronically through the LAPDD website (www.lapdd.org). Application forms will also be distributed at a series of public information meetings LSU Fisheries agents will conduct to familiarize fishermen with the program.

The funding process will be expedited. Grant funds will be available in early February.

Partners in the project describe it as neighbors helping neighbors, noting that many fishermen lost their homes, as well as their livelihoods, and now lack the resources to return to work.



A PINT-SIZED parade goer is shown begging for more beads during the Fur Festival parade on Saturday, Jan. 13. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

Tax elections slated

Two elections will be held in Cameron Parish on March 31, 2007 and Registrar of Voters Suzanne Sturlese wants to make sure that all parish residents can vote even though they are still displaced by Hurricane Rita.

Elections scheduled for that date are tax renewals for the Cameron Parish School Board and for Ambulance District No. 2 which includes the Johnson Bayou, Holly Beach, Hackberry and Grand Lake areas.

If you are registered to vote in Cameron Parish and have been displaced by Rita,

you can still vote in your home parish if you have not registered in another parish or state.

There are three ways of voting-absentee my ballot request, early voting the week before the election or in person at the polling place on the day of election.

Persons choosing to vote by mail must send a written request for a ballot between Jan. 30 and March 27.

The mailing address is: Registrar of Voters Office, 10084 Gulf Hwy. (Grand Lake) Lake Charles, La. 70607

For more information call the Registrar at 905-1167.

Creole Fire dept. meeting

Cameron Parish Fire Dist. #7 will hold a public meeting to discuss the use of the proceeds from the USDA Rural Development Grant.

The meeting will be held Friday, Jan. 19 at 5 p.m. at the Creole Fire Station.

Firemen to meet in G. L.

The Grand Lake Sweetlake Volunteer Fire Department Board of Directors will meet Monday, Jan. 22 at 5:30 p.m. at the Grand Lake Fireman Center for a regular meeting to discuss the USDA grant for fire equipment. The public is invited.



RV Park reopens in Holly Beach

Holly Beach RV Park, owned by Leward Abshire of Gueydan, is now back in business.

The facility offers full RV hook-ups for 12 camper slots. For more information call 536-9544 or 523-5710.

New network is offered

Cameron Communications Vice President/Assistant General Manager Connie DeRouen and Cox Sports Television head, Rod Mickler announced that CST has been added to the Cameron Communications line-up. The regional television network, which was launched Jan. 1, 2007, is available on channel 54.



LAKE CHARLES Mayor Randy Roach prepared to fling some beads in Saturday's Fur Festival parade. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

Fur Festival winners are announced

The results for the events at the Fur & Wildlife Festival held this past weekend are as follows:

SKEET SHOOTING

Junior Boys: 1st Place - Cody Trahan; 2nd Place - James Hebert; 3rd - Luke Miller.

Youth Boys: 1st Place - Brandon DeBarge; 2nd Place - Dylan Conner; 3rd Place - Luke Boullion.

Senior Men: 1st Place - Bart Vidrine; 2nd Place - Jimmy Paul Saltzman; 3rd Place - JR Venable.

Junior Girls: 1st Place - Molly Alexander; 2nd Place - Skylar Barnett; 3rd Place - Danica Mhire.

Youth Girls: 1st Place - Alexa Conner; 2nd Place - Madeline Russell; 3rd Place - no entry.

Senior Girls: 1st Place - Lena Boudreaux; 2nd Place - Darlene Kelley; 3rd Place - Sarah Henry.

OYSTER SHUCKING

Women's Division: 1st Place - Joleen Doxey; 2nd Place - Lerlene Rodrigue; 3rd Place - Brenda Conner.

Men's Division: 1st Place - Oren DeBarge; 2nd Place - Brian DeBarge; 3rd Place - Jason Little.

MUSKRAT SKINNING

Men's Division: 1st Place - Ben Welch; 2nd Place - John LaBove; 3rd Place - Jason Little.

Women's Division: 1st Place - Alice Little.

Junior Division: 1st Place - Matt Meninger; 2nd Place - Katie Little; 3rd Place - Mikalee Mooney.

NUTRIA SKINNING

Men's Division: 1st Place - Ben Welch; 2nd Place - Jason Little.

Women's Division: 1st Place - Rachel Watkins.

Junior's Division: 1st Place - Matt Meninger.

TRAP SETTING

Men's Division: 1st Place - Ben Welch; 2nd Place - Yancy Welch; 3rd Place - Jason Little.

Junior Division: 1st Place - Brandon DeBarge; 2nd Place - Matt Meninger.

INTERMEDIATE DUCK & GOOSE CALLING

Intermediate Duck Calling: 1st Place - Jody Trosclair; 2nd Place - Blake Payne; 3rd Place - Chris Daniels.

Intermediate Speckle Belly Goose: 1st Place - Blake Payne; 2nd Place - Megan Menard; 3rd Place - Chris Daniels.

Intermediate Snow Goose: 1st Place - Kale Crain; 2nd Place - Blake Payne; 3rd Place - Chris Daniels.

JUNIOR DUCK & GOOSE CALLING

Junior Duck Calling: 1st Place - Tyler Fontenot; 2nd Place - Kennon Menard.

Junior Speckle Belly Goose: 1st Place - Tyler Fontenot; 2nd Place - Kennon Menard.

Junior Snow Goose: 1st Place - Tyler Fontenot; 2nd Place - Kennon Menard.

SENIOR DUCK & GOOSE CALLING

Senior Duck Calling: 1st Place - Bill Daniels; 2nd Place - Chance Doxey; 3rd Place - Jimmy Saltzman.

Senior Speckle Belly Goose: 1st Place - Bill Daniels; 2nd Place - Cleve Vincent; 3rd Place - Tom Hess.

Senior Snow Goose: 1st Place - Ricky Canik; 2nd Place - Bill Daniels.



Fire meeting

Fire District No. 9 will have an open meeting Thursday, Jan. 18 at 6:30 p.m. at the Muria Station to discuss the use of grant funds and the possibility of more grants to replace pumps.

For more information call 912-4432.

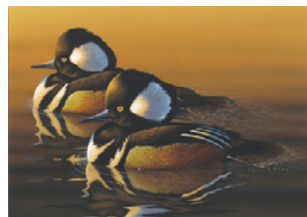


MISS OUTDOORS 2005 Tiffany Brittingham missed her trip to Cameron in 2006, due to the cancellation of the festival, but was able to make the trip this year. Her talent in the Miss Outdoors pageant was muskrat skinning. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

Hackberry Duck Off is set on 27th

The ninth annual Hackberry Duck Off will be held Saturday, Jan. 27. The four man Scramble Golf Tournament will be held at 8 a.m. at the Bayou Oaks Country Club. There will be a skeet shoot at 8 a.m. in Hackberry, quarter bingo will be held at 10 a.m. at the Hackberry Community Center.

The main event will kick off at 6 p.m. with the duck cooking contest, silent and live auctions, music, and food. 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



FUR FESTIVAL President John LeBlanc is pictured with the Breaux Bridge Crawfish Festival Queen just prior to the start of the Fur Festival parade in Cameron on Saturday. There were numerous other festival queens in attendance.



JENNIFER JONES, left, the Fur Festival Parade Marshal, last Saturday, is pictured with Senator and Mrs. Jerry Theunissen prior to the Fur Festival parade. Senator Theunissen, who has represented Cameron Parish for nearly 12 years, will be retiring at the end of 2007 due to term limits.



THE FUR FESTIVAL parade last Saturday even had an entry from Mississippi. Haley Hebert, 14, the Junior Dairy Queen from Malthall County, rode in the parade. She is shown with her mother, Lisa Hebert, and grandmother, Barbara Dickerson, all residents of Grand Lake prior to Hurricane Rita, after which they moved to Mississippi.

FUNERALS

ODESSA CUVILLIER

Odesa Marie Reon Cuvillier, 78, of Hackberry died Saturday, Jan. 13, 2007, in her residence.

Mrs. Cuvillier was born in Hackberry and lived there all of her life. She was a member of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church and was a former member of the Catholic Daughters. Mrs. Cuvillier loved to make rosaries. She retired from Brown's Food Center after nine years as a register manager.

She is survived by four daughters, Brenda Trahan and Linda Carroll, both of Carlyss, Julie Thibodeaux of Hackberry and Gale O'Quinn of Alma, Ga.; seven grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Curtis M. Cuvillier.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Jan. 16, at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church under the direction of Johnson Funeral Home. Father Roland Vaughn officiated. Burial was in St. Peter Catholic Cemetery.

RUSTER J. DUHON

Ruster J. Duhon, 78, of Lake Charles, died Friday, Jan. 12, 2007, in Lake Charles Memorial Hospital.

He was born in Creole and had lived in Lake Charles for more than 38 years. He was retired from the Navy; he served in World War II and the Korean and Vietnam wars. He was also retired from the U. S. Postal Service. He was a member of the Catholic faith, a lifetime member of the VFW, a member of the American Legion.

He is survived by a daughter, Vickie Buck Fitzgerald of Lake Charles; son, Warren Buck of Lake Charles; one granddaughter; two brothers, John "Pete" Clifton Duhon

and Hursey Paul Duhon, both of Lake Charles. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary King Duhon.

His funeral was held Monday, Jan. 15, in Hixson Funeral Home of Lake Charles. Deacon George Carr officiated. Interment was in Prien Memorial Park.

LEONA GUILLORY

The funeral for Leona Guillory will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 19, in Rush Funeral Home of Pine Prairie with the Rev. Pauline Henry officiating. Interment will follow in Platin Cemetery in Ville Platte.

Mrs. Guillory, 79 died Monday, Jan. 15, 2007 in Ville Platte Medical Center.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Seon Guillory.

Survivors include two daughters, Bernaline Primeaux and husband Jude of Creole and Sheron Bordelon of Cameron; five brothers, Nolan, Kermey and Grady Fontenot, all of Ville Platte, Nelson Fontenot of Pine Prairie and Bennett Fontenot of Georgia; four sisters, Grace Soileau of Ville Platte, Charlene Mott of Mamou, Ethel Young of Eunice and Nina Fontenot of Cameron; nine grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

DANIEL "DA" HARDEE JR.

The funeral for Daniel Ashbury "DA" Hardee Jr., 89, of Lake Arthur, will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 18, in First United Methodist Church of Lake Arthur with the Rev. Sue Pugh officiating.

Burial will be in the Lakeview Cemetery under the direction of Miguez Funeral Home of Lake Arthur.

Mr. Hardee died Tuesday,

Lunch menus

Lunch menus for all Cameron Parish schools for the week are as follows. All meals are served with milk.

Friday, Jan. 19 - Hot ham and cheese sandwiches, lima beans, Tator Tots, chocolate cookie, hamburger bun, catsup.

Monday, Jan. 22 - Chili dog, chili sauce, carrots, apple/orange wedges, royal brownies, chocolate glaze, hot dog bun.

Tuesday, Jan. 23 - Chicken nuggets, baked potato, tossed salad, gingerbread, wheat sliced bread, salad dressing, barbeque sauce.

Wednesday, Jan. 24 - Country fried steak, mashed potatoes, chilled pear halves, brown gravy, peanut butter spread, wheat rolls.

Thursday, Jan. 25 - Baked chicken, rice, blackeyed peas, fresh fruit cup, brown gravy, wheat biscuits.

Hackberry 4-H News

By JOLIE TRAHAN

A Christmas ornament contest was held recently by the Hackberry 4-H clubs. Results of the contest are as follows:

Most Beautiful ornament: 1st Torey Little; 2nd Kennedy Darbonne.

Most original ornament: 1st Tiffanie Raymond, 2nd Bailey LaBove and Clint Welch, 3rd Lesley Sanner.

Ornaments made from things found in nature: 1st Destiny Simon, 2nd Jeb Backlund.

Best theme ornament: 1st Cody Fountain, 2nd Jolie Trahan, 3rd Samantha Little.

Ornaments made of recycled materials: 1st Madison Shove, 2nd Meagan Johnson, 3rd Zack Hebert and Tommy Spell.

Sr. Division: 1st Kayla Backlund.

All ornaments were made by the members and were hung on the school Christmas tree, which is sponsored and decorated by 4-H club members.

Hackberry News

By GRACE WELCH

BRIDAL SHOWER

A bridal shower was held for Megan Joy Bellard of Hackberry Saturday, Jan. 13. The shower was given by family and friends at the Hackberry Community Center.

VISITORS

Sgt. Edward Morris is home on a two week leave from Iraq. Saturday, Jan. 13 Sgt. Edward Morris, wife Caryn, and sons Teddy and Ricky along with Caryn's mother, Patricia Kershaw paid a surprise visit to Grandmothers Irene Kershaw and Grace Welch. They also visited with Coot McInnis, and Bo and Tammy Welch. Sgt. Morris will leave Jan. 22 to return to Iraq.

CHURCH NEWS

Confirmation candidates, sponsors, and parents, there will be a "mandatory" meeting on Sunday, Jan. 21 at 5 p.m. at St Peter the Apostle.

KC meetings are held on the third Thursday, of each month at 7 p.m.

RCIA - Beginning Thursday, Jan. 18 RCIA classes will begin at 6 p.m. in the classroom Number 1 in the CCD Building.

Jan. 16, 2007, in the Jennings American Legion Hospital.

He was a lifelong resident and farmer of Lake Arthur. He was a member of the Lake Arthur First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Louella Richard and husband Edmond of Lake Arthur, formerly of Grand Chenier, and Mary Lou Doucet of Everette, Wash.; four sons, Danny Hardee and Greg Hardee and wife Romona, all of Lake Arthur, Jimmie Hardee and wife Brenda of Hathaway and Byron Hardee and wife Colette of Jennings; 17 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.



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

It Seems Just Like Yesterday

By Keith Hambrick



Cameron Pilot, Jan. 17, 1974.

SCHOOL TAX VOTE

Voters go to the polls this Saturday, Jan. 19, to decide a vital issue concerning whether or not quality education can be continued in Cameron Parish.

Over the past two weeks the administrative staff of the Cameron Parish School Board has held public meetings in the various communities of the parish to explain the urgent need for this tax and to answer any questions that taxpayers might have concerning the proposed tax.

Why not a one-cent sales tax like many surrounding parishes? A one-cent sales tax would bring in less than \$50,000 per year, an amount much less than is needed to cover the projected and future operational expenses.

For many years the parish had very few school taxes because the school board was able to support the schools with oil lease revenues on school-owned lands. But the oil and gas has begun to play out in the parish, revenues have dropped severely in the past year leaving the board with a big deficit.

FUR FESTIVAL

Susan Marie Baccigalopi of Cameron was crowned Cameron Parish Queen and Charles W. Hebert, a Sweetlake rice farmer, was named King Fur VI as part of this year's salute to the rice industry during the 18th annual Louisiana Fur and Wildlife Festival.

The new queen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Baccigalopi.

First runner-up was Marcia Wilkerson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Wilkerson of Cameron. Ruby Nunez, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James O. Nunez of Cameron, was named second runner-up and Rachel Viator, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Purlis Vincent of Cameron, was named third runner-up.

J. A. Miller broke his own record of 52.9 seconds for skinning five muskrats when he accomplished that feat in 51.1 seconds in the finals held on stage at the Saturday night program. His brother, Wade Miller, came in second and Robert Mudd was third.

Mrs. J. A. Miller won the women's muskrat skinning contest. She and her husband will now compete in the national finals in Cambridge, Md.

Ann Elizabeth Guillott of

LaPlace, representing St. John Parish, was crowned 18th Louisiana Fur queen. She was presented a fur coat and will represent the festival at the Mardi Gras Ball in Washington, D. C., next month.

A print, "The Oak Grove Pintail," which was painted in Cameron Parish for Ducks Unlimited sale, was presented to J. B. Jones, Jr., president of the festival, by Mrs. Geneva Griffith, secretary, on behalf of the board of directors.

HACKBERRY HOMECOMING

Hackberry High School has set homecoming activities for Friday, Jan. 18 in the school gym. The graduating classes of 1953, 1961, 1962 and 1963 will be honored.

Members of the Homecoming Court are Cindy Nunez, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Nunez; Theresa Landry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Landry; Cheryl Schexnider, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Schexnider; Joy Seay, daughter of Mr. and

The Frugal Housekeeper

Good sewing scissors will be dulled by cutting anything but fabric and thread. Relegate the cutting of paper, canvas, and other materials to all-purpose household shears.

Combat wintertime static cling in clothing by stroking a wire hanger over the outfit several times to eliminate the static charge. This technique works to tame staticky hair, too.

Save leftover scraps of wallpaper when you redo a room. The scraps will come in handy for patching future tears or stains.

Zippers will last longer if you close them before putting the items into the washer or dryer. Also, fasten hooks and eyes on clothing, such as women's underwear, before putting them through the wash. Unfastened hooks tend to catch on other clothing and cause giant clothing tangles and even snags and rips.

Mrs. Alex Seay; Katie Andrus, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Andrus; Mona Nunez, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Nunez and Tonia Penny, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Penny.

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CAMERON PARISH TO HOLD ELECTION: MARCH 31, 2007

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There are (3) ways:

- 1) Absentee by mail ballot request.
- 2) Early voting (which will be done the week before the election).
- 3) In person at the polling place on day of election.

For more information on how to check your current registration status, and find out what is needed for a ballot request, please contact the Registrar's Office @ 1-337-905-1167.

Election Day is March 31, 2007. It is very important that those who choose to vote by mail must send a written request for a ballot. This must be done in advance for time reasons and must be done starting January 30, 2007. The last day to request a ballot will be March 27, 2007.

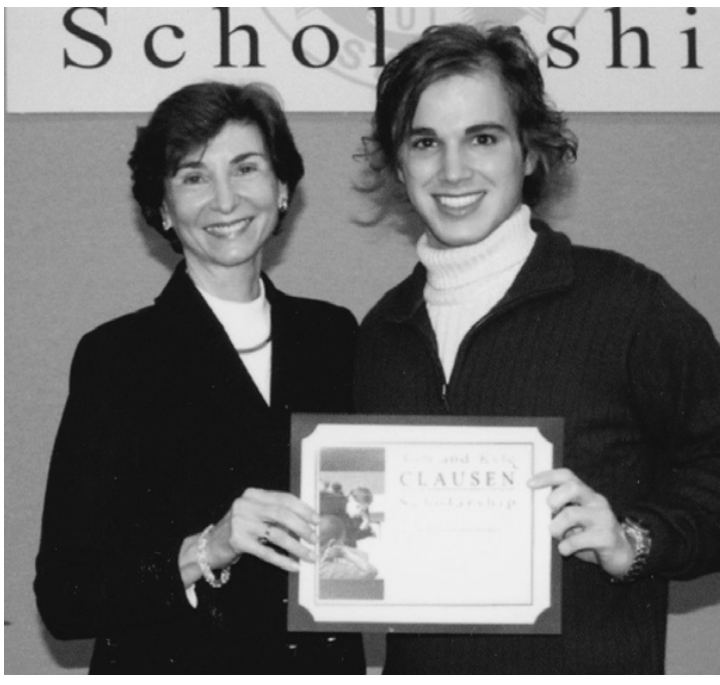
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Thank You,
Suzanne Sturlese, Registrar

RUN : Jan. 18 & 25



RACHEL WATKINS gets down to business skinning a muskrat at the Fur Festival. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



JOBY LEN RICHARD of Creole was congratulated by University of Louisiana System President Dr. Sally Clausen upon presentation of the Tom and Kyle Clausen Scholarship. Richard, a Northwestern State University math education major, was one of 15 outstanding students from around the state to receive the scholarship.



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

Friday is Arbor Day in Louisiana--plant a tree!

Arbor Day in Louisiana is Friday, Jan. 19, so celebrate by planting your favorite tree. However, there are things to consider before planting. According to the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) choosing the right tree is the first step.

Because most trees have the potential to outlive the people who planted them, the impact of this decision is long-term. Tree selection should be based on these criteria: the location in which it is to be planted, the correct species for the environment (resilience, hardiness, purpose), and long term maintenance needs. A local nursery or tree farm should be able to assist in discovering the best tree based on these guidelines.

Before deciding what tree to plant, consider the following questions:

1. Why is the tree being planted?

Do you want the tree to provide shade, fruit or seasonal color, or act as a wind-

break or screen? Maybe serve more than one function?

2. What is the size and location of the planting site?

Does the space lend itself to a large, medium or small tree? Are there overhead or below ground wires or utilities in the vicinity? Do you need to consider clearance for sidewalks, patios, or driveways? Are there other trees in the area?

3. What conditions exist?

Is the soil deep, fertile, and well drained, or is it shallow, compacted, and infertile? How much sunlight is available? When is the best time to plant for your region based on weather conditions?

4. What type of maintenance are you willing to provide?

Do you have time to water, fertilize, and prune the newly planted tree until it is established, or will you be relying on your garden or tree service for assistance?

Homeowners who have difficulty answering any of these questions should contact an

Joby Len Richard given Clausen scholarship

Joby Len Richard of Creole was one of 15 education majors from around the state to be awarded a Tom and Kyle Clausen Scholarship through the University of Louisiana System Foundation. The senior math education major, who attends Northwestern State University, was recognized at a lunch in Baton Rouge, along with other recipients.

A panel of judges selected the 15 honorees out of record 51 applicants based on applications, letters of recommendation and essays about the importance of the teaching profession. Eligible students had at least a 3.0 grade point average out of 4.0 and a minimum of 45 college credit hours.

Richard was led to pursue education because of his own positive high school experience "and by the intrinsic rewards teachers have every day helping students succeed and giving them a foundation to go on and do greater things," he said. Richard referred to one special mentor, his high school math teacher Ginger Boudreaux.

"I hope one day I can do for my students what she did for me," he said. "It was more than just giving us material. She was a career mentor and a college mentor that helped us make crucial decisions."

Richard's application essay expounded on his belief that a new generation of teachers with fresh ideas will help prepare Louisiana's students for the 21st century on a competitive international scale.

"With the state of education and the redesign, we need new perspectives and new ideas," he said. "It is time to change the definition of traditional education. The

tide of change has come and we need to be a positive part of that change."

"I was very proud to know that he was selected to represent NSU," said Dr. Vickie Gentry, dean of NSU's College of Education. "Out of all recipients named for this award, Joby had the second highest GPA. With his outstanding grades in the critical shortage content area of math education, he will be highly recruited by school districts in the state."

The Tom and Kyle Clausen Scholarships, valued at \$750 for a total of more than \$11,000 will provide the students with financial help in addition to important professional development. The UL System will follow these teachers as they enter the classroom and provide support to ensure they have the tools needed to be successful, to help them stay in this profession and to enable their students to achieve high standards.



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CAMERON PARISH BASKETBALL SCORES

By CHRIS & LAURIE MUELLER

BOYS

Hamilton Christian 59, South Cameron 47 - Lance Braxton was the leading scorer for the 2-12 Tarpons.

James Cormier added 9 points and Jaylon Ball and Kyle Little chipped in 7 points each.

Starks 74, Johnson Bayou 56 - Blaine Trahan chipped in 24 points for the Rebels and Dustin Badon added 17 points. The Rebels drop to 10-13 on the year and 0-3 in district.

Grand Lake 51, Fairview 33 - Brett Griffith led the Hornets with 17 points and Jayce Hebert added 15 points. Ashton Boudreaux also scored in double digits with 12 points as Grand Lake improves to 13-13 overall and 2-0 in district.

Singer 77, Johnson Bayou 62 - Blaine Trahan led the Rebels with 18 points. Dustin Badon added 14

points and Aaron Jinks scored 14 points.

Basile 67, South Cameron 51 - Daniel Kelly was the leading scorer for the Tarpons with 13 points. Kyle Little and Desmond Scott chipped in 12 points each.

Grand Lake 46, Lacassine 43 - Brett Griffith led all scorers with 21 points. Garrett Billiot added 14 points.

Hackberry 46, Hyatt 36 - Judd Addison chipped in 19 points for the Mustangs and Nick Moore added 11 points.

GIRLS

Hamilton Christian 75, South Cameron 51 - Rachael Fountain was the leading scorer for the 11-7, 1-1 Lady Tarpons with 19 points. Whitney Richard added 14 points.

Starks 64, Johnson Bayou 40 - Charmayne Barrentine scored 20 points for the Lady Rebels. Tabitha Harrington added 11 as the Lady Rebels drop to 15-10 overall and 1-2 in district.

Cameron Outdoors

By LOSTON MCEVERS



FUR FESTIVAL

Last weekend, most eyes were on the 50th La. Fur & Wildlife Festival in Cameron. That may be the correct title, but for me, it's always been the "Cameron Fur Festival." There was a large festival parade and a great crowd. Hats off to Johnny LeBlanc and his group for a job well done.

The weather was great, but we have an Arctic cold front on the way.

I chanced the rain Sunday morning to make a duck hunt in Grand Chenier, but decided to take down my camo boat blind, pick up the decoys and wash everything down, including the duck boat. Our duck season in the west zone closes this Sunday, Jan. 21. I'll finish my duck season with my 4-

wheeler, duck net and six decoys.

Nobody's short on water and that has slowed the limits some, but with all the cold weather north of us, more ducks have come down and this past weekend, hunters I talked to had their limits. I spoke with Shane Broussard and his young son Adam from Creole and they had 11 ducks. Shane told me he could have gotten the limit but was waiting on the pintails to fly and they didn't.

FISHING NEWS

We had some nice warm days before the front for fishing. Redfish were biting in Big Lake, better on the Hackberry side of the ship channel. Speckle trout slowed some because of dirty water, but still nice specks being caught.

Travis Broussard made a trip to Sam Rayburn last Saturday, where they had nice bass in the three pound class, with plenty of water. Toledo Bend is still rising slowly as last reports 169 feet, bass biting, no generators running and that's great for spring time fishing, only three more feet to the 172 ft. high.

Diane Borden Billot with the Cameron Prairie Refuge announced that Lacassine Refuge Impoundment will open on March 15. Water is high in the pool, in fact, water at the structures is coming in, instead of going out. She says Sabine Refuge is still being cleaned up, levee repairing is still going on and it will be well into summer at least.

DU - 70 YEARS

This year, Ducks Unlimited will celebrate their 70th anniversary in achieving goals of wildlife conservation, especially for waterfowl. Since 1937 DU's membership has grown from 6,720 members to a now total of 800,000 throughout North America, with some 60,000 volunteers and 3,665 chapters in the U. S. and Canada. many millions of acres have been conserved in the U. S. , Canada, and Mexico.

MORE DAYLIGHT TIME

Maybe you've noticed that our evenings has been a little longer since Jan. 1. Beginning last Friday, our mornings will start to see sunrise about a minute earlier every two to three days.

Squirrel hunting is underway this month and our waterfowl numbers will peak here in coastal Louisiana. If you have got them, it's time to clean and repair purple martin and wood duck boxes. It's also a good time to begin planting native trees and shrubs. I know, our lower part of the parish could use plenty tree planting.

SQUIRREL HUNTING

The squirrel season in Louisiana closes Feb. 28, along with rabbit. The La. Wildlife & Fisheries Commission adopted the first ever La. spring squirrel season, which will run May 5 thru 27 for 2007 on private lands, a daily bag limit of only three squirrels may be taken, but check your areas for date, limits and which areas will be open or closed.

Letters to the Editor

Ex-resident seeks info

Dear Editor,

I am Dan Owen. I was born in Creole, in Oct 1958, a direct result of Hurricane Audrey. My sister passed in that storm. I was raised, until the age of six years old at a little house in Grand Chenier just to the West of the St Eugene Catholic Church.

I have seen pictures of the church in your paper, but have yet to see a picture of the great old oak tree, and the water tower. Our old house sat right in front of the water tower, which was not there when we lived there.

What I am wondering is, how would I go about getting a picture of that area where the house is, or was? Also, I want to find out if an Elora Montie, who lived West of the water tower, and owned the property up to the church, is still alive, and if so, where does she reside. My mother is 79 years of age, and was a good friend of hers, but they lost contact.

My father just passed away this August, and she is wanting to travel to Grand Chenier this February, and visit who she can. Can you help me with this?

Thanks, for your help.

Dan Owen

P O Box 2355

Trinity, TX 75862

(EDITOR'S NOTE--

Perhaps some of our readers can answer Dan's question and write to him at the above address.

Harley Owners say thanks

Dear Editor:

On behalf of Lake Charles Harley Owners Group we would like to express to the citizens of Cameron Parish our appreciation for your invitation to lead the Fur and Wildlife Festival Parade.

We also wish to compliment the citizens for their courage and perseverance in rebuilding their homes and lives following Rita's devastation. Rita victims are very much overlooked due to Katrina, but their suffering was just as severe. Due to the heartwarming welcome shown by the citizens to our groups, we definitely plan on making the trip in the years to follow, and would love to again lead the parade.

Jim Morris

Director, Lake Charles

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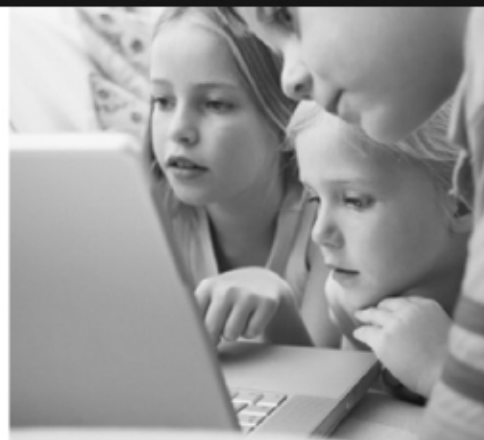
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TWO QUEENS from DeQuincy were pictured at the Louisiana Fur and Wildlife Festival in Cameron last Saturday. Kayla LaVergne is the 2007 Fur Queen and Stacy Simien is the Cotton Festival Queen. Both girls have won other festival titles in the past. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
OFFICE OF MINERAL RESOURCES
ON BEHALF OF THE
STATE MINERAL BOARD
FOR THE STATE OF LOUISIANA
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 70821**

By virtue of and in conformity with the provisions of Sub-part A of Chapter 2, Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other applicable laws, sealed bids will be received in the Office of Mineral Resources, LaSalle Office Building, Baton Rouge, Louisiana (P. O. Box 2827, Baton Rouge, LA 70821) on or before **12:00 noon on Tuesday, February 13, 2007** for a lease to explore, drill for and produce oil, gas and any other liquid or gaseous minerals in solution and produced with oil or gas on the following described tracts (Tract Nos. **38851 through 38911, inclusive**) to be opened publicly **Wednesday, February 14, 2007** in the LaSalle Office Building, 617 N. 3rd Street, Capitol Complex, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

All bids shall offer a "Cash Payment" bonus, as set forth on the authorized bid form, for a lease having a primary term in conformity with whether said lease is an inland or offshore lease and the said bonus shall maintain the lease in full force and effect for the first year. If the bid offers an **ANNUAL DELAY RENTAL**, which is mandatory for leases with terms of more than one (1) year, it shall not be for less than **one-half (1/2)** of the Cash Payment bonus bid and any bids containing an annual delay rental of less than one-half (1/2) of the Cash Payment bonus will be increased to the one-half (1/2) amount. Any lease granted shall be without warranty or any recourse whatsoever, either express or implied, against Lessor, with regard to questions of title, not even for the return by Lessor of any payments received under the lease or being otherwise responsible therefor to Lessee. Under LSA-R.S. 30:127, the **Minimum Royalty bid** cannot be less than **one-eighth (1/8) of all oil, gas or other liquid or gaseous minerals in solution and produced with oil or gas** and that saved or utilized. **Rights to geothermal resources, free sulphur, potash, lignite, salt and other solid minerals are to be excluded from any oil or gas mineral lease and any bid purporting to include those rights will be disregarded as to the extent of those rights only.** All bidders are notified that the Mineral Board does not obligate itself to accept any bid and that acceptance is at the sole discretion of the Mineral Board which reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to grant a lease on any portion of the tract advertised and to withdraw the remainder of the tract.

Act 8 of the 2000 Second Extraordinary Legislative Session established two additional fees to be collected from mineral leases on all mineral leases awarded. **An additional fee of \$15 per acre will be collected and deposited into the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Conservation Fund. An additional fee of \$5 per acre will be collected and deposited into the Oil and Gas Regulatory Fund.** A separate check in the amount of \$20 per acre made payable to the Office of Mineral Resources shall be submitted, either accompanying the original bid (in the sealed bid envelope) or mailed to the Office of Mineral Resources for receipt within ten (10) days after the bid is accepted and the lease is awarded. Bidders may use a regular check for payment of the fees. The successful bidder will not receive the lease executed by the State Mineral Board until the fees are received.

All leases awarded shall be executed upon terms and conditions provided in the current State lease form with all applicable riders appended thereto a copy of which is available for review in the Office of Mineral Resources, Petroleum Lands Division, Leasing Section.

Certified check, cashier's check or bank money order payable to the **OFFICE OF MINERAL RESOURCES** for the full amount of the aforesaid Cash Payment bonus shall be submitted with and accompany each bid, and no bid, once submitted, may be thereafter withdrawn or canceled. Once the bid is opened and accepted by the Mineral Board, the accompanying checks or money order shall be negotiated by the Office of Mineral Resources and the proceeds disbursed in the manner required by law.

SPECIAL NOTE:
Act 449 of the 2005 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature requires that a prospective lease holder for a State mineral lease be registered with the Office of Mineral Resources. Registration with the Office of Mineral Resources consists of filing out the Prospective Leaseholder form and supplying this office with a certificate from the Secretary of State for the State of Louisiana attesting that the prospective leaseholder is in good standing as authorized to do business in the State of Louisiana. **UNDERSTAND** that being registered for nomination or any other purpose **DOES NOT CONSTITUTE REGISTRATION AS A PROSPECTIVE LEASEHOLDER.** Act 449 specifically states that, **"Only those bidders who are registered prospective leaseholders with the office of mineral resources shall be allowed to bid on tracts for the purpose of obtaining a mineral lease from the state of Louisiana."** If an entity plans to submit a bid on a tract at any State mineral lease sale, that bid **WILL NOT** be accepted unless the bidding entity was properly registered with the Office of Mineral Resources prior to the lease sale at which its bid was submitted. **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS REQUIREMENT!!!**

Under rules promulgated by the Department of Natural Resources in accordance with authority granted by Act

106 of the First Extraordinary Session of the Louisiana Legislature of 2002, a fee equal to ten percent (10%) of the Cash Payment bonus bid is required to be submitted by separate check, either accompanying the original bid (inside the sealed bid envelope) or mailed to the Office of Mineral Resources for receipt within ten (10) days after the bid is accepted and the lease is awarded. Bidders may use a regular check for the 10% fee. **The successful bidder will not receive the lease executed by the State Mineral Board until the fee is received.** If the fee check accompanies the bid in the sealed envelope and the bidder is unsuccessful, both the fee check and the Cash Payment bonus check will be returned to the unsuccessful bidder.

The successful bidder to whom the lease is awarded who receives the written lease executed by the State Mineral Board shall return the written lease, duly executed by Lessee (all of named Lessees on the lease instrument), within **TWENTY (20) DAYS** of receipt of same under penalty for failure to do so of forfeiture of the lease, including the Cash Payment bonus and fee tendered and negotiated.

Bids may be for the whole or any particular described portion of the land advertised, but consistent with Mineral Board policy. All bidders are hereby notified that bids on portions of tracts shall be described by metes and bounds and be accompanied by a transparent plat outlining thereon the portion bid upon. The scale of the transparent plat shall be the same as the scale of the **OFFICIAL PLAT (NOT THE F & A PLAT) CONTAINED HEREIN** and should identify the Point of Beginning with X and Y coordinates (if applicable), the Section, Township and Range, the Block No. (if offshore), the Parish, any adjacent existing State Mineral Leases, and, further, should clearly show the entire tract boundaries in relationship to the portion bid upon. It shall also show the Topographic features (Land and Water) of the area in detail similar to the Official Plat contained herein. Failure to follow these guidelines in submitting a portion bid may result in outright rejection of the portion bid by the State Mineral Board at its sole discretion.

Notice is given that the State Mineral Board will include provisions in the lease to insure applicable payments attributable to the lease property without regard to adverse title claims, disputes, litigation or title failure and the language of those provisions is available to any interested party at the Office of Mineral Resources. Prospective bidders should carefully examine the same prior to submitting any bid.

Some tracts available for leasing may be situated in the Louisiana Coastal Zone as defined in Act 361 of the Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature of 1978 (promulgated as LSA-R.S. 49:213) and may be subject to the guidelines and regulations promulgated by the Coastal Management Section of the Department of Natural Resources for operations in the Coastal Zone.

NOTE: All bids shall specify the Cash Payment bonus for leases as a price per acre amount and an aggregate total amount. For purposes of rental and deferred development payments, the price per acre amount set forth in the bid, when multiplied by the appropriate acreage, shall determine the full value of rental or deferred development payments to be made. If there are any discrepancies between the total State acreage specified in a lease and the actual State acreage within the geographical boundary of the lease tract, nevertheless, the price per acre specified in the bid for a lease shall be multiplied by the appropriate State acreage within the geographical boundary of the lease tract to compute rental or deferred development payments.

NOTE: Multiple portion bids on the same tract may be accepted by the State Mineral Board, even though they overlap. In the case of overlapping portion bids on the same tract, each of which is otherwise acceptable to the State, the State Mineral Board will indicate which one of the multiple bids on the same tract is most acceptable, considering the royalty, per acre cash payment, bonus, any additional consideration and what, in the sole discretion of the Mineral Board, is in the best interest of the State, and that bid (referred to as "Bid A") will be given priority in having a lease issued. The State Mineral Board will also indicate the acceptability of other portion bids on the same tract, if any, in the order of their acceptance (referred to respectively as "Bid B," "Bid C," etc.). Once the plat of "Bid A" is portion has been rendered as accurately as possible, "Bid B" will be contacted and given an option to take a lease on the remaining portion of his portion bid acreage not overlapping "Bid A" 's bid portion, at "Bid B" 's per acre bid price (both as to bonus and rental); and thereafter, each successive bidder whose bid is otherwise acceptable will be given the option to take a lease on whatever portion remains of his portion bid acreage at his respective per acre bid price, less and except any prior portion bid acreage on which the successful bidder has opted to take a lease.

OFFSHORE TRACT (Tract Nos. 38851 through 38911 inclusive, herein) are the tracts which lie seaward of the Louisiana shoreline, as hereinafter defined, but landward of the survey line lying three nautical miles from the Louisiana shoreline, all as determined by the Report of the Special Master in the litigation in the Supreme Court of the United States styled United States v. State of Louisiana, et al, No. 9 Original and set out

Weather was good and crowd large for festival

By **CYNDI SELLERS**

The weather was beautiful and the crowds were huge for the 50th Louisiana Fur and Wildlife Festival held last Friday and Saturday in Cameron. With predicted rain holding off, blue skies, and temperatures rising into the 70s, there was nothing to deter the thousands of festival visitors who descended on Cameron for the carnival, contests and parade on Saturday.

The crowds, estimated at over 5000, lined the main street of the storm damaged town from one end to the other as the smell of barbecue, and the sounds of music, and the sense of excitement filled the air.

Tailgate parties, with barbecue pits on trailers, were set up all along the route. One group was giving away plates of wild game to any and all who were hungry. Another brought their own band after the parade and had their own street fair.

As in all the many years past, children rode carnival rides as their elders watched

and remembered Fur Festivals past when they too were children at the festival.

The traditional contests for fur skinning, trap setting and oyster shucking were held, but with fewer entrants than in the past. There were plenty of duck and goose callers, though.

And the parade was a huge success, despite concerns about the still limited facilities in Cameron. As always, there were floats, including the well-loved "trapper cabin," rebuilt by Ricky Miller, and the more recent giant inflated alligator. Motorcycles seem to have replaced the Shriners - there were over 100 in the parade. Adding the convoy of four-wheelers, the many antique and classic cars, and the large contingent of trail riders on horseback, the parade was one of the biggest ever.

Beads, cups, Frisbees, pens, and candy were thrown in plenty, to the delight of children of all ages, by queens, elected officials, softball teams, and general float riders of all descriptions. Some children collected two bags of throws to take home.

The festival committee just about sold out of 1200 T-shirts and nearly all the cookbooks, caps, koozies, and posters they had printed.

At the end of the day, as the traffic tried to clear the streets and the music of Barry Badon and the Bayou Boys drifted through the town, everyone said it was a good day for Cameron.

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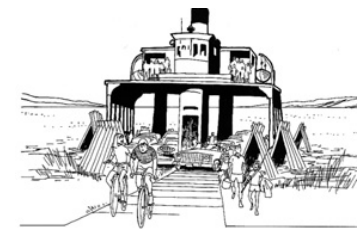
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Activities are planned at the J.B. Rec Center

The Johnson Bayou Recreation Center will be having a party for 7 - 12th grades on Saturday, Jan. 27. Gifts will be given to those who attend. The event will start at 6 p.m.

6 p.m. - Games with prizes
7 p.m. - Spaghetti dinner
7:30 p.m. - Movie
The recreation center will be closed at 6 p.m. to the general public.

The following is a list of days and times the recreation center is open for senior citizens.


Mondays: 10 a.m. - 12 noon: to play Po-Ke-No, enjoy crafts and visiting. Anyone who may want to attend and participate on Mondays is welcome to attend.

The first and third Friday of each month is reserved for senior citizen bingo event. It is held from 10 a.m. - 12 noon.

Johnson Bayou Recreation center will be starting a men and women's volleyball league. The games will be held at Johnson Bayou High School and will be played one night a week.

If interested, please sign up at the Recreation Center, deadline is January 29. For more information please contact Stacey Badon at 802-8383.

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Six new channels added by Cameron Comm.

Cameron Communications announced that it has added six new channels to its digital television lineup to better serve its customers.

The programming expansion will give Cameron Communications digital television customers' access to The Hallmark Channel, Cox Sports Television, Comedy Central, SOAPNet, KPLC Weather Channel and KPLC Tube.

These new channels are available to customers in Carlyss who have upgraded their service to the new digital television, Cameron, Hackberry, Johnson Bayou, Creole, Grand Chenier, Grand Lake, Elizabeth, Sugartown and Pitkin. Cameron Communications' television offering now includes over 160 channels with pay-per-view options.

The Hallmark Channel is a 24-hour television destination that provides a diverse slate of high-quality entertainment characterized by cinematic excellence and strong stories that are relevant to viewers and their lives.

Cox Sports Television is an exclusive package of 65 regular season games from the NBA New Orleans Hornets, as well as coverage of LSU,

Southern athletics to local high school and college games.

Comedy Central, the only all-comedy network, is an eclectic mix of original programming, stand-up comedy, sketch comedy and movies. This unique original programming has combined hits like "South Park", "Mind of Mencia" and "The Daily Show."

The SOAPNet Network is a full-time network for soap operas and soap opera fans, providing access to popular and enduring dramas. SOAPNet delivers the soap opera genre to cable 24/7, featuring the top-rated ABC Daytime lineup in Primetime. KPLC Weather Channel, KPLC-TV Lake Charles, an NBC affiliate launched its first local 24-hour weather channel. The weather channel launch came in response to the aftermath of Hurricane Rita in 2005.

KPLC Tube, watch 24-hours of music videos in every genre imaginable. There are no reality shows, award shows or game shows. KPLC Tube airs classic and modern music videos in a format similar to the original format of Music Television (MTV) and Video Hits One (VH1).

Laughter can improve your health

(NAPSA)—Laughing frequently could give you more to smile about than you might expect—it may help improve your health.


Research shows that laughter lowers blood pressure and protects the heart. Laughing has also been shown to strengthen the immune system and provide a boost to virus- and tumor-destroying cells.

Laughing may help your mental and emotional health as well, meaning a good chuckle could help change your perspective. To help people add laughter to their lives,

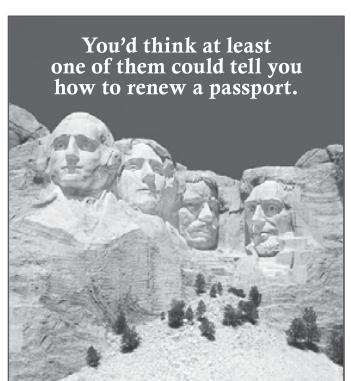
the Alliance for Affordable Services—an association that works to help people live better and save more—offers these tips:

- Smile! - It is much easier to find something to laugh about when you're smiling rather than frowning.
- Laughter loves company - Expose yourself to funny people, and try to take negative attitudes with a grain of salt.
- Something to laugh about - Rent a funny movie or watch a sitcom. They can be great ways to de-stress, sit back and laugh.

The Alliance for Affordable Services uses its group buying power to attack soaring health care costs through wellness programs, information, legislative advocacy and incentives to control medical costs. For more details, visit www.AffordableServices.org or call 800-733-2242.



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— NOTICE —

Cameron Parish Fire Dist. #7 will be holding a Public Meeting to discuss the use of the proceeds from the USDA Rural Development Grant.

The meeting will be held Friday, Jan. 19, 2007 at 5 p.m. at the Creole Fire Station.

RUN: Jan. 18 (J-24)

Legal Notices

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed bids will be received until 4:00 p.m. local time, Tuesday, January 23, 2007, in the Gulf Coast Soil and Water Conservation District's Office, 1400 Highway 14, Lake Charles, Louisiana, 70601 (337) 436-5020 Ext. 3, for providing the following materials:

1. 4,500 4" Pots, Bitter Panicum, *Panicum amarum*
2. 300 4" Pots, Seacoast Bluestem, *Schizachyrium maritimum*
3. 600 4" Pots, Marshhay Cordgrass, *Spartina patens*
4. 600 4" Pots, Seashore Paspalum, *Paspalum vaginatum*

A complete assembly of the bid invitation with specifications may be obtained by contacting the District secretary at the address shown above.

RUN: Jan. 4, 11, 18 (J-7)

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids will be received by the Cameron Parish Water & Wastewater Dist. #1 until 3:00 p.m. Thursday, January 25, 2007 at 125 Carter Street in Cameron Louisiana for the following:

Surplus meters and surplus scrap iron that can be seen at the 126 Ann Street location.

All bids must be submitted on bid forms which may be obtained during normal business hours at the Cameron Parish Water and Wastewater District Office at 125 Carter Road.

Hans E. Petersen
Superintendent
RUN: Jan. 4, 11, 18 (J-8)

EXHIBIT "A" NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Parish School Board of the Parish of Cameron, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Cameron, State of Louisiana for school purposes (the "Parish"), on December 11, 2006, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held within the Parish on **SATURDAY, MARCH 31, 2007**, and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the Parish qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States, the following propositions, to-wit:

**PROPOSITION NO. 1
(TAX CONTINUATION)**
SUMMARY: 10 YEAR, 10 MILLS PROPERTY TAX CONTINUATION FOR THE CAMERON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD TO GIVE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT TO THE MAINTENANCE, IMPROVEMENT, AND OPERATIONS OF THE PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL SYSTEM IN CAMERON PARISH.

Shall the Parish School Board of the Parish of Cameron, State of Louisiana, be authorized to levy and collect a special ad valorem tax of ten (10) mills (an estimated \$1,452,080 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year) on all the property subject to taxation within Cameron Parish, for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2007 and ending with the year 2016, for the purpose of giving additional support to the maintenance, improvement and operations of the public elementary and secondary school system in Cameron Parish?

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The said special election will be held at the following polling places situated within the Parish, which polls will open at six o'clock (6:00) a.m., and close at eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, to-wit:

- POLLING PLACES**
- Precinct; Location
- 1: Johnson Bayou Recreation Center, 135 Berwick Road, Cameron
 - 2: Cameron Parish Emergency Operations Center, 1222 Recreation Center Lane, Cameron
 - 3: Hackberry Fire Station, 1025 Main Street, Hackberry
 - 4: Hackberry Fire Station, 1025 Main Street, Hackberry
 - 5: Grand Lake Recreation Center, 108 Recreation Center Lane, Grand Lake
 - 6: Lowry Fire Station, 460 Lowry Highway, Lowry
 - 7: Klondyke Community Center, 434 Veterans Memorial Drive, Klondyke
 - 8: Fire Station-E Creole/Muria, 129 Muria Road, Creole
 - 9: Savoie Lumber Store, 153 East Creole Highway, Creole
 - 10: Cameron Parish Emergency Operations Center, 1222 Recreation Center Lane, Cameron
 - 11: Cameron Parish Emergency Operations Center,

1222 Recreation Center Lane, Cameron

16; Grand Lake Recreation Center, 108 Recreation Center Lane, Grand Lake

17; St. Eugene Catholic Church, 5035 Grand Chenier Hwy., Grand Chenier

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

The said special election will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 5, Chapter 6-A and Chapter 6-B of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, and the officers appointed to hold the said election, as provided in this Notice of Special Election, or such substitutes thereof as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, will make due returns thereof to said Governing Authority, and NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Governing Authority will meet at LSU AG Center, 7101 Gulf Highway, Lake Charles, Louisiana, on **THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 2007, at NINE O'CLOCK (9:00) A.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election. All registered voters of the Parish are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Cameron, Louisiana, on this, the 11th day of December, 2006.

ATTEST:
/s/ Loston McEvers
LOSTON MCEVERS
PRESIDENT

/s/ Douglas Chance
DOUGLAS CHANCE
SECRETARY
RUN: Jan. 11, 18, 25, Feb. 1, 8 (J 14)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sealed bids will be received by Cameron Parish Police Jury until 1:30 P.M., Thursday, January 25, 2007 in the Police Jury Administrative Office, 10080 Gulf Highway, Lake Charles, Louisiana, for the purchase of office furniture/supplies delivered to the Cameron Parish Health Unit, Cameron, Louisiana.

All bids must be submitted on bid forms which may be obtained from the Police Jury Administrative Office by calling (337) 905-1189.

BY:
/s/ Bonnie W. Conner
BONNIE W. CONNER,
SECRETARY
RUN: Jan. 11, 18, 25 (J-18)

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals for the construction of the following project will be received by the Cameron Parish Water and Wastewater District Number 1 until **3:00 PM on Thursday, 8 February 2007** at the Cameron Parish Water and Wastewater District Number 1 Office, 125 Carter Street, Cameron, LA 70631.

**Project Number: 2007-02
Post-Rita Restoration of
Cameron Waterworks Office**

The rules and regulations for the State Licensing Board for contractors will apply; the project being classified as:

Building Construction.
Proposal forms will not be issued later than 24 hours prior to the hour and date set for receiving proposals. Every bid submitted shall be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond in the amount of 5% of the bid and shall be made payable to the Cameron Parish Water and Wastewater District Number 1.

Full information and proposal forms are available at the office of Lonnie G. Harper & Associates, Inc., Post Office Box 229, Grand Chenier, Louisiana 70642-0229, (337) 905-1079. Plans and specifications may be inspected upon deposit of \$50.00 per set. Bids must be submitted on proposal forms provided by the engineer. Official action will be taken at the regularly scheduled Cameron Parish Water and Wastewater District Number 1 meeting. The Cameron Parish Water and Wastewater District Number 1 reserves the right to reject any or all the proposals and to waive informalities. Cameron Parish Water and Wastewater District Number 1 /s/ J. C. Murphy, President
RUN: Jan. 11, 18, 25, Feb. 1 (J-19)

PUBLIC NOTICE (NOTICE OF INTENTION TO INTRODUCE BILL--HLS 07RS-199)

Public notice is hereby given, as provided by Section 13, Article III of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1907.1, that there will be introduced at the forthcoming session of the Legislature of Louisiana, to be convened on April 30, 2007, a bill relative to increasing the salary of all assessors in the state in various amounts depending on parish population; and to provide for related matters.
RUNS: Jan 18, 25 - J 22

4- SECOND BAYOU FIELD 07-101 AND 07-102

**LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF LOUISIANA,
OFFICE OF CONSERVATION,
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.**
In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1st Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m. on **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2007**, upon the application of **APACHE CORPORATION.**

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the **Planulina 7 Sand, Reservoir A, and the Planulina 9 Sand, Reservoir A**, in the Second Bayou Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

PLANULINA 7 SAND, RESERVOIR A,

1. To dissolve the existing drilling and production units created as the Planulina 7 Sand, Reservoir A, SUA and SUB, by Office of Conservation Order No. 463-H, effective October 23, 1990, and to simultaneously create two (2) revised single drilling and production units for the Planulina 7 Sand, Reservoir A.

2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from said sand units.

3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the units so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.

4. To grant an exception to the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No 29-E and to permit applicant, Apache Corporation to designate and utilize the Apache Corporation-Apache Louisiana Minerals, Inc. 19 No. 1 Well as an alternate unit well for the PLAN 7 RA SUA, such well to be at the location shown on the plat submitted with the application.

5. To make a specific finding that such proposed alternate unit well is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the PLAN 7 RA SUA which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any other well within each unit.

6. To grant a single unit allowable for the PLAN 7 RA SUA and to permit the operator of the unit to produce said unit allowable from the unit well, the proposed alternate unit well, or from both wells in the unit, at its option.

7. To confirm Apache Corporation as the operator of the PLAN 7 RA SUA.

8. To find that, except to the extent contrary in the order granted by the Commissioner of Conservation in connection with the hearing held on this application, the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 463-H remain in full force and effect.

9. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

PLANULINA 9 SAND, RESERVOIR A,

1. To dissolve the existing drilling and production unit created as the Planulina 9 Sand, Reservoir A, SUA, by Office of Conservation Order No. 463-J, effective October 23, 1990, and to simultaneously create a revised single drilling and production unit for the Planulina 9 Sand, Reservoir A.

2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the said sand unit.

3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.

4. To permit applicant, Apache Corporation to designate and utilize the Apache Corporation-Apache Louisiana Minerals, Inc. 19 No. 1 Well as an alternate unit well for the PLAN 9 RA SUA, such well to be at the location shown on the plat submitted with the application.

5. To make a specific finding that such proposed alternate unit well is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the PLAN 9 RA SUA which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any other well within each unit.

6. To grant a single unit allowable for the PLAN 9 RA SUA and to permit the operator of the unit to produce said unit allowable from the unit well, the proposed alternate unit well, or from both wells in the unit, at its option.

7. To confirm Apache Corporation as the operator of the PLAN 9 RA SUA.

8. To find that, except to the extent contrary in the order granted by the Commissioner of Conservation in connection with the hearing held on this application, the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 463-J remain in full force and effect.

9. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

Plats are available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge and Lafayette, Louisiana**.
www.dnr.statela.us/CONS/CONSEREN/hearings/pubhearings.htm

All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

BY ORDER OF:
**JAMES H. WELSH
COMMISSIONER OF
CONSERVATION**

Baton Rouge, La
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**IF ACCOMMODATIONS
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ADVISE THE OFFICE OF
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ENGINEERING DIVISION AT
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ROUGE, LA 70804-9275 IN
WRITING WITHIN TEN (10)
WORKING DAYS OF THE
HEARING DATE.**
RUNS: Jan. 18 - J 25

3- SOUTH GRAND CHENIERE FIELD 07-100

**LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF LOUISIANA,
OFFICE OF CONSERVATION,
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.**
In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1st Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m. on **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2007**, upon the application of **APACHE CORPORATION.**

Hearing Room, 1st Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m. on **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2007**, upon application of **CENTURION EXPLORATION COMPANY.**

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the **Amphistegina Zone, Reservoir A**, in the South Grand Cheniere Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

1. To create a single drilling and production unit for the Amphistegina Zone, Reservoir A.

2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the said unit.

3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.

4. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Amphistegina Zone, Reservoir A, is hereby defined as being that zone encountered between the measured depths of 7,460' and 9,490' (electrical log measurements) in the Hilcorp Energy Company (formerly Sohio Petroleum)-M. Sturlese Cris 2 SU2 No. 1 Well, located in Section 12, Township 15 South, Range 5 West, Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

A plat is available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge and Lafayette, Louisiana**.
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RUNS: Jan. 18 - J 26

"EXHIBIT A" NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Gravity Drainage District No. Five, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, the governing authority of the District, on December 12, 2006, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held in Gravity Drainage District No. 5, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, on Saturday, March 31, 2007, and that at said election there will be submitted to all registered voters of said Parish qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution and laws of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

**PROPOSITION
SUMMARY: AUTHORITY
FOR GRAVITY DRAINAGE
DISTRICT NO. FIVE TO COLLECT,
FOR 10 YEARS, A TAX OF FIVE
AND FIFTY-THREE HUNDRETHS
MILLS PER ANNUM FOR THE
PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING,
OPERATING AND MAINTAINING
SAID DISTRICT'S DRAINAGE
OPERATIONS WITHIN AND FOR
SAID DISTRICT.**

Shall Gravity Drainage District No. Five of the Parish of Cameron, be authorized to levy a tax of five and fifty-three hundredths (5.53) mills on the dollar of assessed valuation on all property subject to taxation in said District, for a period of ten (10) years, commencing with the year 2007, for the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining said District's drainage systems constituting works of public improvements, title to which shall be in the public within and for said District?

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that said special election will be held at the polling places set forth below, all situated within Gravity Drainage District No. Five, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, which polls will open at six o'clock (6:00) a.m. and close at eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in compliance with the provisions of Section 541 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (R.S. 18:541):

**PORTION OF PRECINCT 12
MURIA FIRE STATION
PORTION OF PRECINCT 17
SAINT EUGENE CATHOLIC
CHURCH**

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the said special election will be held in accordance with the provisions of the Louisiana Election Code (Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes), including Chapter 6-A thereof, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto. Such officers appointed to hold the said election, and such substitutes therefor as are selected and designated in compliance with law, will make due returns thereof to the Clerk of Court of Cameron Parish and to the Board of Commissioners of Gravity Drainage District No. Five, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, the governing authority of said District.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the commissioners-in-charge duly certified by the Clerk of Court of Cameron Parish and selected by the Parish Board of Election Supervisors as provided for in R.S. 18:433, as amended, are hereby designated as the commissioners-in-charge to serve at the polling places designated in the election herein called. The commissioners of election and

Hurricane Rita photos are shown on internet site

Matthew White, a New York native who has lived in and documented the unique beauty of Louisiana since 2000 and contributor to "Beyond Katrina: The Voice of Hurricane Disaster & Recovery," goes beyond the eastern Gulf Coast to recount the devastation of Hurricane Rita pictorially. White's haunting photographs and personal memoir now featured on www.hurricane-katrina.org are a powerful witness to the 2005 storm, which hit Louisiana's southwest coastline three weeks after Hurricane Katrina. The area has even drawn interest from the White House. Former President George H. W. Bush visited Cameron Parish Wednesday, Dec. 20 to present \$2-million to South Cameron Memorial Hospital, which is being rebuilt due to Hurricane Rita.

"While the world focused on the catastrophe that was Hurricane Katrina, many in the national media have ignored what happened a few weeks later but was equally as life-changing for the farmers, fisherman and residents of Louisiana's southwest region," explained White. "If the images inspire people to care about these places, then it might increase its chances of being preserved. When readers see the Louisiana coast for the paradise that it is, I believe they'll care about saving it."

Hurricane Rita slammed the Texas-Louisiana border on Sept. 24, 2005, as a category three hurricane. Rita was the fourth-most intense Atlantic hurricane ever recorded and the most intense tropical cyclone ever observed in the Gulf of Mexico. Rita caused \$10 billion in damage on the Gulf Coast.

White's two-part series of photos focuses on the aftermath in Cameron and Vermilion Parishes. White hopes these images will create an emotional response; a sense that the viewer is there experiencing it - the silence, the solitude, along with some kind of respect for all the history of the area.

"Three weeks after I began blogging about Katrina, I, like countless others, kept a close eye on the approaching Rita," explained blogger Margaret Saizan, "Beyond Katrina" creator. "The biggest news that resulted from the storm were the traffic jams as people fled the Houston-Galveston areas and the fact that it wasn't as bad as Katrina."

Though federal officials had learned some lessons from the chaos of Katrina and response to the damaged areas was handled more effectively, seven deaths are attributed directly to the storm. Three Cameron Parish communities - Holly Beach, Hackberry and Cameron - were essentially destroyed. The cities of Lake Charles, Moss Bluff, Sulphur, Westlake and Vinton, all in Calcasieu Parish also suffered heavy damage.

Since Saizan's first posting on Aug. 28, 2005, hundreds of thousands of readers from more than 172 countries have connected with "Beyond Katrina." The blog was recently awarded the Society

alternate commissioners of election shall be appointed by the Cameron Parish Clerk of Court, in accordance with R.S. 18:1286, as amended. In the event the election herein called is held at the same time as the election of public officials the commissioners and alternate commissioners shall be those commissioners and alternate commissioners selected for the election of public officials, in accordance with R.S. 18:1286, as amended.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Board of Commissioners of Gravity Drainage District No. Five, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, the governing authority of said District, will meet at its regular meeting place, the Grand Chenier Waterworks Office, Grand Chenier, Louisiana, on Tuesday, the 10th day of April, 2007, at 5:00 PM, and will then and there, in open and public session, proceed to examine and canvass the returns as certified by the Clerk of Court of Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and declare the result of the said special election.

All registered voters of Gravity Drainage District No. Five, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used in the conduct of the election.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this, the 12th day of December, 2006.

APPROVED:
D. Y. DOLAND, JR., PRESIDENT
GRAVITY DRAINAGE
DISTRICT NO. FIVE

ATTEST:
DARRELL WILLIAMS,
SECRETARY
RUN: Jan 18, 25, Feb. 1, 8 (J 27)

for New Communications Research Professional Award. The award honors innovative organizations and professionals who are pioneering the use of social media (i.e., blogs, wikis, podcasts, collaborative tools and other forms of participatory communications) in the areas of marketing, public relations and advertising, politics, entertainment, academics, and community and cultural development.

"We've had incredible feedback on the photo essay series we began in early October. We hope to bring that same consciousness to what happened after Katrina," added Saizan. "The name Rita has been retired and will never be used again for an Atlantic hurricane, but we can't let its effects fade from our memories."

For Saizan, White is just the latest in a series of talented professionals who help her, as a citizen journalist, recount what happens in real time and real perspective.

White hopes to publish his collection of south Louisiana photos as a testament to a land full of culture, beauty and resilience. Until that memoir is a reality, you can view White's collection at <http://rigolets.blogspot.com/>. Fine prints are also available at gymnopodies13@yahoo.com.

511 Traveler Information System

With bad weather settling over Louisiana, the Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) reminds citizens they can get the latest updates on real-time traffic and road conditions by using the 511 Traveler Information System.

The new voice-activated 511 Traveler Information Service is available to most wireless and landline telephone users. The service allows callers to access up-to-date information about weather-related road conditions, construction activities and other critical incidents simply by dialing 511 from their telephone and saying the route or region about which they are seeking information.

Travelers can also access information by visiting the 511 Traveler Information Web site at www.511la.org. Here, travelers can check out driving conditions by choosing a particular region of the state. By knowing road conditions before leaving home, motorists can make critical decisions about their trips.

DOTD keeps the system's construction and weather-related information updated, and Louisiana State Police updates information about incidents or road closures that significantly affect traffic.

Motorists can also obtain information regarding road closures by contacting DOTD's Customer Service Center at 1-877-4LA-DOTD (1-877-452-3683). The center is open 7 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday.

DOTD urges motorists to use extra caution when traveling on roadways during hazardous weather conditions.



**SHERIFF'S SALE
THIRTY-EIGHT JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT
PARISH OF CAMERON
STATE OF LOUISIANA
LAKE CHARLES FINANCE &
MORTGAGE LLC
VS. NO. 10-17897
RODNEY R. AND MELISSA B.
RICHARD**

By virtue of a writ of EXECUTORY PROCESS issued to me directed 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 appraisement, at the Court House door of this Parish of Cameron, on Wednesday, FEBRUARY 21, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. the following described property to-wit:

ONE (1) 2004 CAROLINA 24 FT FIBERGLASS BOAT (LA-8973-FK) BEARING ID #EKHA2766F404; ONE (1) 200 HORSE POWER MERCURY MOTOR AND ONE (1) 2004 MAGIC BOAT TRAILER BEARING VIN #1M5BM221651E73581 seized under said writ.

Terms: CASH DAY OF SALE.
/s/Theos Duhon
Theos Duhon, Sheriff
CAMERON PARISH, LA.
Sheriff's Office, Cameron, LA.
JANUARY 12, 2007.
BENJAMIN W. MOUNT
Attorneys for LAKE CHARLES
FINANCE & MORTGAGE LLC
RUNS: Jan. 18, Feb. 15 - J 29



THE LEVEE from the Wetland Walkway northward in the Sabine Refuge has been undergoing renovation. This week grass seed was being spread on the side. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

Junior Livestock Show to be held this week

By **STEPHANIE RODRIGUE**

The Cameron Parish Junior Livestock Sale Committee, featuring Cameron Parish 4-H and FFA members, is well underway in its planning for the 2007 4-H and FFA Junior Livestock Show and Sale.

Unfortunately, we were forced to take a break from hosting our traditional 2006 sale, but do have a sale scheduled in two weeks with just a bit of a different format.

Hurricane Rita destroyed the show facility in Cameron in 2005. The Calcasieu Parish 4-H staff graciously allowed Cameron Parish student exhibitors to share space with them in Lake Charles in 2006 and again this year, but, it is impossible to follow the traditional sale format. Thus, the 2007 Cameron Parish Junior Livestock Sale will include only our exhibitors accompanied by a PowerPoint photograph of their livestock project.

The sale is set for Saturday, Jan. 20, in the Grand Lake High School Cafeteria, 1039 Highway 384 in Grand Lake.

A luncheon will begin at 11 a.m. followed by the sale at 12:30 p.m. Buyers' cards will be available beginning at 10 a.m.

If anyone is interested in participating, but cannot attend, the sales committee will be happy to represent the buyer at the sale and submit the buyer's bid, within any specific guidelines that the buyer sets. Animals will be sold at a total dollar amount by the head.

Starting prices are as follows - Hogs: \$300 per head, Sheep: \$250 per head, Goats: \$250 per head, Steers: \$1000 per head, Rabbits: \$50 per pen, Broilers: \$50 per pen.

There are also two other options of supporting Cameron Parish exhibitors. For a donor who is interested in donating money to several or all exhibitors without purchasing any animal, there is an "Added Money" program. The donation is simply added to each or to selected exhibitor's accounts. Any livestock exhibitor who participates in the Cameron Parish Junior Livestock Show is eligible to receive Added Money whether or not the exhibitor

participates in the sale.

In 2005, we initiated the "Premium Awards" program, raising \$8900 in 2005, and \$4000 in 2006. It is our hope to equal or exceed our 2005 total this year. The premium money is awarded to the Champion and Reserve Champion Steers, Hogs, Lambs, Goats, Broilers and Rabbits.

This Premium Award is special recognition and is typically used either as scholarship funding for the exhibitor or to improve his/her livestock project. All Premium Award Donors will be recognized at 1:30 p.m., just before the Champion Livestock are sold.

If you have any questions or would like to talk to us about participating in the Livestock Sale, Added Money, or Premium Awards programs, please feel free to call the Cameron Extension Service Office at 905-1318 or 1319, Cameron Parish Livestock Advisory Board President Gary Baccigalopi at 513-8177, or Advisory Board Secretary Stephanie Rodrigue at 540-4623.

SCHEDULE

2007 Cameron Parish Junior Livestock Show Schedule, Burton Coliseum, Lake Charles, (to be held with-in Calcasieu Parish Show Schedule)

Swine Arena - Lambs, Swine, Rabbits and Poultry
East Arena - Goats, Steers, Commercial Heifers, Beef Breeding

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 17

6 p.m. - Breeding and Market Swine may arrive
7:30 - 9 p.m. - Weigh Market Swine
6 - 9 p.m. - Goats, Lambs, Market Steers, Commercial Heifers, and Beef Cattle may arrive

THURSDAY, JAN. 18

7:30 - 8 a.m. - Check-in, weigh and mouth Market Lambs
8 a.m. - Market Lamb Show followed by Lamb Showmanship
Following Lamb Show, Breeding Swine Show followed by Market Swine Show and Swine Showmanship
8 - 8:30 a.m. - Check-in, weigh and mouth Market Goats
8:30 - 9 a.m. - All Beef entries must be checked in
8:30 a.m. - Tag, weigh and mouth all Market Steers and Commercial Heifers
9 a.m. - Breeding Goat Show and Market Goat Show followed by Showmanship
Following Goat Show, Market Steer Show, followed by Commercial Heifer Show, Beef Breeding Show (ORDER: Beefmaster, Braford, Base Braford, Brahman, Red Brangus, Hereford/Polled Hereford, Charolais, Limousin); then, Beef Showmanship
2 - 3 p.m. - Check in Breeding Rabbits and weigh Meat Pens; Check in Exhibition Poultry and weigh Broilers
4 p.m. - Rabbit and Poultry Show



A GIANT ALLIGATOR crawled through Cameron in the Fur Festival parade Saturday. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

Blood donors are needed

At this time, ALL blood types are needed.

Potential donors must be 17 - 75 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds, know the names of any medications taken, and should eat a good meal and increase fluid intake prior to donation and be able to provide identification.

SATURDAY, JAN. 20
Cameron Parish Sale - Grand Lake High School Cafeteria

10 a.m. - Buyers may begin registering

11 a.m. - Buyers Luncheon for Registered Buyers

12:30 p.m. - 2007 Livestock Sale

1:30 p.m. - Recognize Premium Award donors, Sale of 2007 Champions

Special Note: Cameron Parish Exhibitors are excused on Thursday, Jan. 18, ONLY!

For further information or to locate a convenient mobile blood drive, visit the LifeShare website at www.lifeshare.org or call (337) 436-4932 or 1-800-256-4932.

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Cameron LNG, a subsidiary of Sempra Energy has an immediate opening for **HSSE Manager**, **Human Resources Manager** and **Administrative Associate** in Hackberry, LA. We offer competitive salaries and exceptional benefits.

Administrative Associate

This employee's role is to provide administrative support to the Terminal Manager. Works independently under limited supervision and many times with a sense of urgency, performs advanced and highly complex administrative and clerical functions. Minimum of 7 years as administrative assistant experience.

HSSE Manager

Coordinates health, safety, security, and environmental programs based upon Corporate Guidelines and Regulatory Requirements for the Cameron LNG Facility and to direct, plan and supervise the application of these programs. Will be responsible for maintaining a thorough understanding of all regulatory and permit requirements and for coordinating facility activities to maintain a reliable operation that complies with all Health, Safety, Security, Marine, and environmental and industry requirements. Minimum of 7 years with related Safety, Security, and Environmental experience.

Human Resources Manager

Serves as primary client contact for human resources issues, products and services for Cameron LNG and Liberty Pipelines & Storage operations in Cameron and Sulphur, Louisiana. Functions as technical expert to clients on Human Resources related matters including; recruiting and staffing, benefits, HRIS, performance management, career development, organizational development, salary administration and employee/labor relations and employment/labor law. 8 years of extensive work experience in Human Resources required. Supervisory experience preferred.

More positions will be posted in the coming months, as we move towards completing our workforce in time for training and facility start-up.

All inquiries regarding Cameron LNG operations positions should be directed to the Calcasieu Workforce Center, and they will refer candidates to Sempra Energy.

Vacant positions will be posted on the Calcasieu Workforce Center website. To learn more about the available positions at Cameron LNG, go to www.laworks.net or e-mail your resume to LNGStaffing@SempraGlobal.com.

Cameron LNG is committed to recruiting and employing the best and brightest employees from the Cameron and Calcasieu Parishes, and surrounding areas, for years to come. Thank you for welcoming us and making us part of your community.



Cameron LNG project rendering with proposed expansion

Cameron LNG LLC
AN AFFILIATE OF SEMPRALNG

For more information on Cameron LNG, please visit our website at www.cameronlng.com.

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THE SOUTH CAMERON girls basketball team, which won the state championship in 2006, were on a Fur Festival float last Saturday.



THE GRAND LAKE girls basketball team members, who were in the state semi-final playoff game, rode on a float in the Fur Festival parade last Saturday.



RIDING IN A school bus in the Fur Festival parade Saturday were these Cameron Parish pupils who made much growth in reading skills during the past three weeks. They are shown with School Supt. Doug Chance, School Supervisor Nancy Boudreaux, and Bus Driver Ida Jane Gaspard.



CHENIERE ENERGY, which is building an LNG facility near Johnson Bayou, was well represented by a float and a number of employees and their families in the Fur Festival parade last Saturday.



THIS LITTLE Mardi Gras "bug" was one of the most colorful entries in the Fur Festival parade on Saturday, Jan.13.



THIS GROUP of hunters from Lafayette have the Top Blind Hunting Lodge at Little Chenier and had their own float in the Fur Festival parade Saturday.



THE CAMERON Parish NAACP chapter was represented in the Fur Festival parade by two of the NAACP pageant winners and Louise Cole, chapter president.



BRINGING SMILES to parade watchers, the spirit of Edna Miller lives on, courtesy of Ricky Miller. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



MRS. LOUISIANA America Nomica Guillory and her husband, Eligha, enjoyed the beautiful weather and great outdoors fun at the Fur Festival on Saturday. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



MOLLY ALEXANDER takes aim during the skeet shooting event at the Fur and Wildlife Festival on Saturday. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



"LITTLE ABE" Manuel and his Cajun band performed on one of the floats in the Fur Festival last Saturday.



MIKALEE MOONEY skins her muskrat in the Jr. Women's event Saturday at the Fur Festival. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)