



A LARGE CROWD turned out last Wednesday, Jan. 23, for the Sempra/Liberty Gas Storage open house in Hackberry. The event was the first in a process aimed at creating a natural gas storage facility in the Hackberry salt dome. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

Natural gas storage plan told at Hackberry meeting

By CYNDI SELLERS

A crowd of over 75 interested people turned out last Wednesday, Jan 23, in Hackberry for an open house introducing the public to a proposed natural gas storage facility in the Hackberry salt dome.

Sempra Pipeline and Storage and its partner Liberty Gas Storage have begun the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission permitting process for a storage facility that proposes to convert three existing salt dome caverns and create one new one to store natural gas for their customers.

Residents were chiefly concerned with the route of the pipeline that will take the brine away from the new cavern as it is being created. Another pipeline is proposed to be built through Black Lake to move the gas to the Sulphur area.

Company officials said the proposed routes were very

preliminary and would depend in many factors including FERC studies and property owner permission.

The companies hope to use three existing salt dome caverns near the Strategic Petroleum Reserve which are capable of storing 10-12 billion cubic feet of gas and creating a fourth cavern adding 5-6 bcf of capacity.

The three existing caverns were previously permitted by the state for natural gas storage, but will have to go through the FERC process for final approval.

A 36 inch gas pipeline would be built through Black Lake, connecting to the 42 inch Cameron Interstate Pipeline. A 16 inch brine pipeline would carry the brine from the creation of the fourth cavern to a well where it would be injected into sands between two shale layers, below 3500 ft.

The gas in the storage facility would be under 2600 lbs of pressure, according to

Chip Berglund, safety expert. He said the pipelines and fittings would all be treated to resist corrosion and the lines would be inspected every seven years.

Project manager Dennis Sanford said salt caverns are the preferred method for storage of natural gas and the technology is in use in other areas. He said customers want deliverability in times of disaster, and this facility will offer that assurance.

Before the project can begin, many agencies will have to study and approve it, including FERC, the Army Corps of Engineers, Coastal Management, Department of Natural Resources, the Louisiana Geologic Review Team, and others.

Sanford said Sandia National Labs, a New Mexico firm recognized as the authority on salt domes, will be providing the Department of Energy with detailed evaluations of the Hackberry structures.



Cloie Broussard
Grand Lake Elementary
Fifth Grade



Shelby Thomas
Grand Lake High
Eighth Grade



Rachael Fountain
South Cameron High
Twelfth Grade

Students of the Year told

Cameron Parish has selected Students of the Year for 2007-08. Outstanding elementary, middle/junior high and high school students in grades five, eight, and twelve are eligible to participate.

These students are recognized for demonstrating excellent academic achievement, leadership ability, and citizenship.

The Students of the Year Awards Program is sponsored by the Louisiana State Superintendent through the State Department of Education and the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.

The initial school selections were:

Grand Lake High School - Grade 5, Cloie Broussard, Grade 8, Shelby Thomas, Grade 12, Corey Broussard.

Hackberry High School - Grade 5, Sydney Broussard, Grade 8, Meagan Johnson, Grade 12, Kayla Sanner.

Johnson Bayou High School - Grade 5, Derek Storm, Grade 8, Harmony Trahan, Grade 12, Tiffany Caudill.

South Cameron High School - Grade 5, Kaine Badon, Grade 8, Trey Morrison, Grade 12, Rachael

Fountain. The Cameron Parish Students of the Year contest was held Jan. 23, at Grand Lake High School. The representatives from each school were scored on portfolios, academics, writing ability, and interview. The selection committee was comprised of teachers, counselors, and community representatives.

The fifth grade committee members participating were Rosalie Perry, Katie Trahan, Kathy Helmer, Mary Richard; eighth grade, Courtney Verzyvelt, Eva January, David Trahan, Tanya Trahan, Madeleine Colligan; twelfth grade, Kim Montie Tracy Lannin, Nella Ballou, Derinda Morris, Allyson Bourriaque; and the Writing committee, Lindsay Smythe, Wade Marcantel, Gerry Bader, Bobbye Delaney, Cindy McGee and Velma Lowery were unable to attend.

Superintendent Rodrigue commended all students on their accomplishments, awards and recognitions.

The winners for the parish competition are:

Grade 5 - Cloie Broussard, Grand Lake High School
Grade 8 - Shelby Thomas, Grand Lake High School

Grade 12 - Rachael Fountain, South Cameron High School.

These three students progress to the Regional Competition which will be scheduled at a later date.



Jeff Sanders

Sanders is candidate for post

Jeff Sanders of Hackberry is one of two candidates seeking the position of member of the Democratic State Central Committee from the 47th Representative District in the Presidential Preference Election set for Saturday, Feb. 9. The other candidate for this position is Eugene Sellers of Abbeville.

The district is comprised of all of Cameron Parish and a portion of Vermilion Parish.

Sanders, 53, is a native of Hackberry and a graduate of Hackberry High School. He is married to Cheryl Schexnider Sanders and they have three daughters.

He attended McNeese and Sowela Tech and the IBEW/NECA Joint apprenticeship training program graduating as a construction electrician. He has worked as a construction electrician with the IBEW and served 13 years as Union Business Representative. He is currently serving as Business Manager of Local Union 861.

Only registered Democrats can vote for a candidate seeking this position.

Cameron study planned

A Louisiana Tech assistant professor of forestry has been awarded a \$50,000 grant from the University of Louisiana System to study how Hurricane Rita affected south Louisiana.

Dr. Bogdan Strimbu is project director for "Mapping the Future Landscape for Two Southwestern Louisiana Parishes," which are Calcasieu and Cameron parishes.

"They were the most affected by Hurricane Rita," Strimbu said. "Cameron Parish was the site of landfall of Hurricane Rita. This project is a service-learning project and a recovery project to see how to better prepare for national disasters."

The project is a collaboration between Strimbu, Tech assistant professors Dr. David Long and Dr. Xingran Wang, and McNeese University assistant professor Dr. Weijin Dong. Also, undergraduate students from

Tech's geographic information systems classes will participate, as will high school seniors from the Calcasieu and Cameron parishes.

"We will use satellite pictures to show (the landscape) before, after and between Hurricane Rita," Strimbu said. "We will analyze the data, create a map and go down to Calcasieu and Cameron parishes. The high school students will see how to connect real data with a map."

Strimbu said he hoped to begin the project next month and end in the fall, which will give the GIS students an opportunity to participate in a national and regional conference in that timeframe.

"This is great exposure for Tech," Strimbu said. "Tech students get to go to a national conference, and hopefully the students will see how satellite data can be brought down and used in day to day activities."



THIS STRIKING photograph of a sunset at Rutherford Beach in Cameron Parish was taken by the late Bill Turnbull, Cameron nature photographer. His Cameron Parish pictures have been assembled in a recently published book edited by his wife, Janie Turnbull.

Mobile home parks on hold

By CYNDI SELLERS

Certified Mobile Home Parks are on hold in Cameron Parish until a letter from FEMA is received. At a special business meeting held Monday afternoon, before the agenda meeting, The Police Jury debated whether to approve the eight pending mobile home park permits.

Scott Trahan moved to approve the permits, saying that people want to come home, and the Jury should do all it can to help them. Other jurors were hesitant, because FEMA has already begun to question the number of mobile homes that have been placed in lower Cameron Parish since the storm.

Thomas McDaniel wondered what would happen to people if the permit was approved and FEMA came back and said it was invalid.

Under the coastal management ordinance approved by the parish in 1985, any existing mobile home park would be certified, but no new ones could be built unless they met elevation requirements. A mobile home park was defined as having two mobile homes on the property at the same time, before July of 1985.

Since Hurricane Rita destroyed the records of which properties met those requirements, parish administrators have depended upon affidavits of two persons that such a condition existed.

FEMA has recently found a requirement in the regulations that the mobile home owners had to also be paying rent. The parish ordinance, approved by the National Flood Insurance Program, did not include that language, but regulators are

pressing for its inclusion now, according to Tina Horn, Parish Administrator.

Horn hopes to find out when the rent requirement was placed in the regulations, but recognizes that no one will have proof of rent payments after the devastation of Rita's flooding.

Assistant District Attorney Tom Barrett offered the opinion that if the parish

approves the permits, knowing there might be a problem, and the owners are later forced to elevate or lose their flood insurance, the parish could be subject to lawsuits.

In the end, the motion failed for lack of a second, but other jurors said that they would be willing to bring the matter up again if the letter from FEMA is favorable.

Mardi Gras run set Sat.

The 6th annual Mardi Gras run will be held by the Krewe de Cavalier de Grande Savanne at Big Lake on Saturday, Feb. 2.

Lineup begins at the home of Keith Brashear, Krewe captain, 277 S. Faulk Lane, with the run starting at 10 a.m.

Live music will be furnished for the run by Keith Sonnier and friends.

After the run, everyone will gather at Brashear's home for gumbo prepared by James Richard.

There will be an auction of items donated by area merchants with proceeds to go to the Therapeutic Riding Center in Sulphur.

All krewe members, plus interested persons, are invited to participate.

Grand Lake church planned

The Grand Lake Community Church will begin worship services on Sunday, Feb. 17 at 10 a.m. in the Fireman's Center at Grand Lake.

According to Rev. Mike Paris, the church is a Southern Baptist church and will hold services on the third Sunday of each month. He and Mark Dixon are worship leaders.

Bible study will continue to meet on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. at the Center.

The church was begun in January, 2007 and Bible studies were begun in May.

Paris is a native of Leesville. He is a retired railroad man. He was ordained as a minister in 2005 and

was interim pastor of the First Baptist Church of DeQuincy for a year and a half.

Deadline told

Persons wishing to vote in the March 8 election who are not already registered have until Feb. 8 to register, according to Suzanne Sturlese, Registrar of Voters.

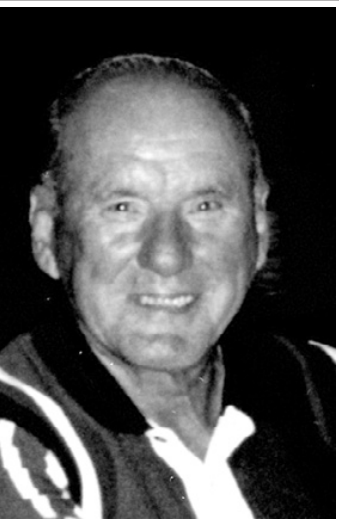
You may register by mail by requesting a form to be returned or you can go to the Registrar's office located behind the Cameron courthouse, first trailer to the right.

Phone 775-5493 for information.



A MISSION GROUP from the Muskogee (Okla.) Baptist Association were in Cameron last week, helping area residents by building porches, hanging doors, and other home related jobs. They also worked at the First Baptist Church in Cameron. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

Funerals



MILFERD JOHN CONNER



CLAUDE RANDOLPH FAWVOR

Milferd John Conner, 82, of Creole died Monday, Jan. 28, 2008, at a Lake Charles hospital.

He was a lifelong resident of Creole and was an Army veteran who served in the 71st Infantry Division in World War II. He owned and operated M&W Machine Shop until his retirement in 1990.

He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Creole, where he served as an extraordinary minister of Holy communion and as an usher.

Preceding him in death was his wife, Ione Baccigalopi Conner, and his parents William and Ada Richard Conner.

Survivors include his sons, David Conner and wife Diane of Creole and Linus Conner and wife Vanessa; one daughter, Deborah LeBoeuf and husband Dale, all of Creole; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, at Our Lady Star of the Sea in Cameron. The Rev. Joseph McGrath will officiate. Burial will follow in Sacred Heart Cemetery under the direction of Hixson Funeral Home of Lake Charles.

Claude Randolph Fawvor, 85, of Lake Charles died Jan. 25, 2008 in a Lake Charles hospital.

He was born in Grand Chenier to Randolph Fawvor and Ellen Theriot Fawvor. He was a member of St. Eugene Catholic Church and was a lifelong resident of Grand Chenier prior to Hurricane Rita. Since then he has been living in Moss Bluff. He retired from Conoco, Inc. He was a member of the Farm Bureau and Woodmen of the World.

Claude was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Amable Trevino; one brother, T. A. Fawvor and a grandson, Nicolas Regan.

He is survived by his wife Josephine Broussard Fawvor of Moss Bluff; one daughter, Claudette Regan and husband Robert of Moss Bluff; one brother Curtis Fawvor of Port Arthur, Tex.; and two granddaughters.

Funeral services were held Monday, Jan. 28, from St. Eugene Catholic Church in Grand Chenier. Father Vincent Vadakkedath officiated. Burial was in Kaplan Cemetery in Kaplan.

EMILE CLAYTON TRAHAN

Emile Clayton Trahan, 86, of Little Chenier died Sunday, Jan. 27, 2008. Mr. Trahan was a life long resident Little Chenier. He retired from Crain Bros. as an operator. After retirement he worked as a fur trapper and also guided for the Harold Bowling Insurance Agency. Mr. Trahan was also a self employed construction equipment operator. He was

a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Creole.

He was a member of the Lake Charles Veterans of Foreign War post # 2130. He also served in military honors for deceased veterans, and was a member of the Cajun French Music Association.

He is survived by two sons, Dayton Charles Trahan of Maurice, Michael Dale Trahan of Creole; two daughters, Carla Ann Jacobs of Creole, and Deala Ann Trahan Theriot of Lake Charles; 11 grandchildren; 11 great grandchildren; and the mother of his children Rena (Denia) Miller Trahan of Little Chenier.

Mr. Trahan was preceded in death by his parents Celima and Emile Trahan.

His funeral will be held on Saturday, Feb. 2, at 1 p.m. at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church in Cameron, under the direction of Johnson Funeral Home. Father Joe McGrath will officiate. Burial will be in Our Lady of the Marsh Cemetery in Little Chenier. A French rosary will be held at 6 p.m. and a traditional rosary to be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1.

ROBERT "BOB" WELDON

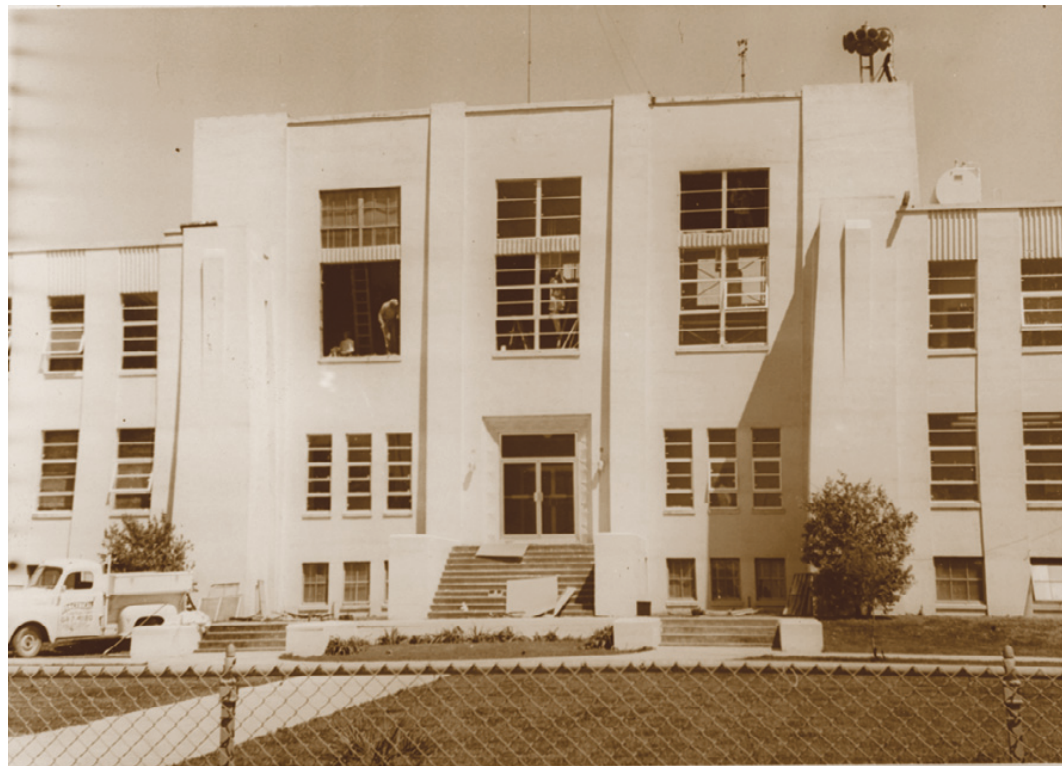
Funeral services for Robert "Bob" Weldon, 75, of Cameron were held Wednesday, Jan. 30, in First Baptist Church of Cameron with Rev. Henry Prentice officiating. Interment was in Cameron Baptist Cemetery under the direction of Rush Funeral Home, Oakdale.

Mr. Weldon died Jan. 26, 2008 in South Cameron Memorial Hospital.

He served during the Korean War in the United States, Army and was a jet engine mechanic at Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio, Tex. He spent the last fifteen years employed in oil fields.

He was preceded in death by his son, Marty Weldon and his parents, J. C. and Sally Weldon.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia Weldon of Cameron; two daughters, Bobbie Jo Garza and husband, David of San Antonio, Tex. and Carol Barrientez and husband, David of Tucson, Arizona; three step-sons, Steven Taylor, Timothy Taylor and Joey Taylor and his wife, Connie, all of Cameron; one step-daughter, Helen Clement of Jennings; two brother, James Weldon of Greenville, and Doyle Weldon of DeQuincy; three sisters, Dorothy Ross of Livinia, Mich., Ruth Moore of Richmond, Virg. and Fredine Turner of Greenville, Miss. and nine grandchildren.



DO YOU REMEMBER? The 70-year-old Cameron Courthouse, built in 1938 as WPA project, is one of the few buildings in lower Cameron Parish that withstood both Hurricane Audrey in 1957 and Hurricane Rita in 2005. This picture was apparently taken in 1958 as the Hurricane Audrey repairs were being made. The story was told that Franklin Roosevelt personally told WPA officials to give Cameron a good courthouse strong enough to withstand storms because he had fond memories of the parish after he hunted at Grand Chenier some years previously.

Memorial Books told

The Cameron Parish Library has received the following Memorial Books. The honorees, donors and titles are listed in that order:

Emma "Bobbie" Kershaw-Gueho, J.D. and Mae Simon, Patricia Walther and Suzanne May family, 1) Quiltmaker's Fancy 2) 50 Sensational Crochet Afghans & Throws; Great Paw Paw Leroy Meyers, Kendal and Kaine Badon, 1) How to Capture Movement In Your Paintings 2) Cottage Style Decorative Painting; Lynn McCall, Beckie and Stanley Primeaux, A Place Called Home;

Dudley Swire, Gordon Bourque, Louisiana Cowboys; Coy Miller, Charles and Peggy Bonsall, Louisiana Cowboys; Lynn McCall, Charles and Peggy Bonsall, Louisiana Cowboys; Theresa Ann Ledano Belanger, Marie Ledano, Vickoria Ledano Conner and Blair Belanger, Blaze; Braxton Blake, Dave and Debbie Savoie and family, Giant White Tails; Lynn McCall, Dave and Debbie Savoie and family, Audrey Remembered.



LifeShare honors are told

Several area businesses and organizations were among those honored Friday by LifeShare Blood Centers for participation in blood drives during 2007.

The Cameron Pilot received the Media Award for publicizing drives in advance to alert donors to dates, times, and cities to make donations.

The Gold Award for holding four blood drives was earned by The Knights of Columbus of Johnson Bayou/Holly Beach and Targa Resources.

Recognized for hosting one, two or three drives during the year were: Brown's Food Center - Grand Lake, Brown's Food Center - Hackberry, Grand Lake High School, Hackberry High School, South Cameron High School, Cameron Communications, Cameron Community, Cameron LNG, Centerpoint Energy, Devall Towing, Dyn McDermott, Sabine Pass LNG, Sabine Pass LNG Phase II, Knights of Columbus - Johnson Bayou/Holly Beach, and Targa Resources.

The annual appreciation luncheon was held at Reeves Uptown Catering in Lake Charles and hosted by LifeShare.

Johnson Bayou Recreation Center News

CLOSED FOR ELECTIONS

The Johnson Bayou Recreation Center will be closed on Friday, Feb. 8 and Saturday, Feb. 9 due to the elections.

The Recreation Center will host an open recreation night for anyone wanting to exert extra energy on Friday Feb. 8, from 5-8 p.m. at the Johnson Bayou School Gym. All Recreation Center rules apply.

VOLLEYBALL

It's Women's Volleyball time again! Stop by the Recreation Center to sign up or you may call 569-2288 to put your name on the list. Teams will be picked on Feb. 17 and games will be played on Mondays starting Feb. 25.

You must be 18 years old and out of school to participate. For more information contact Christen Trahan at 304-4622.

Bulkhead to be built at Cameron

M & C Oilfield Services, Inc. of Baton Rouge has applied for a Coastal Use Permit to construct a bulkhead on the Calcasieu Ship Channel about two miles southwest of Cameron.

Proposed is the construction of approximately, 3,081 feet of bulkhead, a 600' x 22' access road, a 2,300' x 22' access road, two 40' x 40' crane pads, and mooring dolphins. Approximately 1,160 cubic yards of limestone will be used to construct the access roads, approximately 15,500 cubic yards of fill will be taken from an existing spoil bank, and approximately 310,000 cubic yards of water bottom material will be dredged from an area adjacent to the proposed bulkhead and used as back-fill.

Cam. student on NSU list

Four hundred and thirteen students at Northwestern State University have been named to the President's List for the fall 2007 semester, according to NSU President Dr. Randall J. Webb. Students on the President's List must be enrolled full-time at Northwestern and make A's in all academic courses pursued.

Joby Len Richard of Creole was among those on the President's List.

Craft show to be held Nov. 8 at Grand Lake

Grand Lake Lions Club will sponsor the first annual Cameron Parish Craft Show and Sale on Saturday, Nov. 8, at the Grand Lake Fireman Center.

Early registration for booth space is advised. Call 532-3030 if you have any questions or wish to reserve a space early.

Open to local residents and out of town sales.



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Activities planned at the Cameron Branch Library

The Cameron Branch Library announces the following scheduled events:

VALENTINE GIFT JARS
The library will be having a Valentine Gift program for adults and children on Feb. 8 at 2 p.m. The layered gift jars make wonderful gifts for any occasion and can be decorated to suit the gift receiver.

They will include layers of all of the dry ingredients necessary for making a dessert such as brownies, cookies and/or drinks.

Penny Thibodeaux with the LSU AgCenter will be the instructor for the program.

LIBRARY CLOSURE
The library will be closed on Tuesday, Feb. 5 for Mardi Gras.

The library will reopen on Wednesday, Feb. 6 at 8 a.m. The library is open 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday thru Thursdays and 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Fridays.

KARATE- SELF DEFENSE CLASSES

The library is now taking registrations for the planned Martial Arts - Self Defense class. The library will host the class only if enough people register in advance to show a need in the community.

The classes will be once a week for 4 to 6 weeks at no cost to participants. Call or come by the library to register to be guaranteed a space in the class.

MARDI GRAS BEAD COLLECTION

The library is collecting Mardi Gras beads to help the SWLA Council on Autism. The bead collection box is located inside the library.

Beads are picked up by the Council, packaged and resold to help children with Autism attend special summer camps, councilor visits, doctor's visits, and purchase

prescriptions. Several children in Cameron Parish benefit from this service.

Wii TOURNAMENT RESCHEDULED

Unfortunately the rain poured down the day of the last Wii Sports tournament. The library has rescheduled the Wii tournament for 12:30 p.m. on Feb. 15.

Children 11 and older and adults are invited to come to the library and try out the system. Wii Sports features bowling, boxing, tennis, golf, and baseball games that require physical interaction.

The library will also have Guitar Hero III available for participants to play while waiting for their turn to play the Wii Games. The library employees would like to thank the local teens who made the gaming consoles available for library patrons.

DOG CARE DISPLAY

This month there will be a display of books to help with the care of your dog. Dog and puppy training, homemade dog treats, dog breed books and more are set out in a display area to make it easier for you to pick up dog care books.

A special book with easy recipes, using items already in your pantry such as peanut butter and breakfast cereals, to make tasty and nutritious dog treats is at the center of the display.

STORYTIME

Each Wednesday of every month at 10:30 a.m., the library has storytime for children too young to attend school. Library employees read a story and sing nursery rhymes with the children. Bring your child to the library to learn important educational values at an early age. Jump start your child's desire to read.

Call 775-5421 for more information about any of the above programs.

Dog treat cookbook is Library's Book of the Week

The Ultimate Dog Treat Cookbook By LIZ PALIKA

Author Liz Palika has written more than 40 books and won two impressive Maxwell Awards from the Dog Writers Association of America. Her work has been published in magazines, including Newsweek, The Saturday Evening Post, Dog World, Dog Fancy, and the AKC Gazette.

I checked out "The Ultimate Dog Treat Cookbook: Homemade Goodies for Man's Best Friend" from the Cameron branch library on a whim because it was colorful and I would like to try something new for my dog. Dogs (and their best friends) will eat this book up! Illustrated with fun, full-color illustrations, the book offers 50 delicious recipes that have been taste-tested by dogs and reviewed by a veterinarian. From dog biscuits and birthday pup-cakes to treats that aid in training, these appealing recipes feature easy-to-follow instructions and easy-to-find ingredients, with none that could be harmful to dogs. There is even a list of foods that dogs can not have. For dog owners everywhere looking for unique ways to spoil their pets, the treats in this cookbook can't be beat!

This book combined my love of my dog, with my interest in cookbooks. The recipes are great, and I love that the book includes a chapter for dogs with special needs (allergies to certain food products). The chapters include: Cookies by the Spoonful, Cookie-Cutter Treats, Special Goodies for Special Occasions, Good Dogs Deserve Good Treats, and Delicacies for Dogs with Special Needs.

Recipes include Peanut Butter-Honey Nut Cheerios Balls, Taco Treats, Birthday Blueberry Pupcakes, Halloween Treats, Frozen

Magic Meatballs, and more. There are even delicious doggy delicacies for pets with special needs, including Turkey Jerky and Salad Bar Bones. Fun and funky color illustrations plus nutritional notes and treats about cooking and storing the goodies make sure that pets enjoy their homemade treats!

With the tainted pet food scare people searched for a safe solution for their pets treats. You will no longer need to feed store bought treats! We have tried about 6 recipes from the book. Our dog loved them all. They are fairly easy to make and most of the ingredients are easy to find in your local supermarket such as Bisquick, breakfast cereals, and pancake mix. Now you can put your mind at ease knowing your pet is getting healthy treats with human grade ingredients. The chicken soup cookies were a cinch to make and a huge hit with our dog. If you are looking for that one special cook book for your pets this is it. You'll want to share this with all your pet loving friends.

The Cameron Branch Library offers this book and lot of other dog related books such as puppy training, health care, grooming, and specific breed books for checkout by patrons at no cost. For more information, please call 775-5421.

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Here are some tips on how to take care of your skin

(NAPSA)-Each day, our precious skin wages battles against harmful forces, from the sun and age to blemishes. Helping your skin win the fight is easier than you think. Giving your skin the daily attention and care it needs will help keep your largest (and most visible) organ healthy and glowing.

The cornerstone of any skin care regimen is using the right moisturizer, especially an extra emollient formula containing the highly potent ingredient shea butter. Use this skin-loving ingredient to counter the effects of environmental elements, while quickly reducing the appearance of unsightly skin blemishes, banishing dryness and improving skin's elasticity.

Shea butter, the key ingredient in Palmer's Shea Butter Formula skin care product line, provides an added punch when combined with a variety of natural healing ingredients, including vitamin E and vegetable fats. These intense formulations go head to head with pesky skin woes, leaving behind hydrated, healthy skin.

Palmer's, the "butter" experts, recommends following these tips to achieve soft, touchable skin:

- Tap into the fountain of youth-Nourish your skin from the inside out by drink-

ing plenty of water every day. Eight glasses a day is recommended to keep skin supple and moisturized.

- Shower your skin with moisture-Apply your moisturizer directly following showers and baths, as this is the optimal application time for retaining the maximum amount of moisture. Use a therapeutic formulation such as Palmer's Shea Butter Formula Lotion, ideal for healing desert-dry patches and leaving behind a long-lasting glow.

- Take your vitamins-Vitamins A, B, C, E and K all help improve skin's health. Whether you are ensuring these nutrients are in the food you consume or taking a potent multivitamin on a daily basis, these nutrients play a huge role in radiant skin.

Learn More
You can find more information about skin care online at www.etbrowne.com or by writing to the E.T. Browne Drug Co., Inc., P.O. Box 1613, Englewood Cliffs, N.J. 07632.



School lunch menus

Cameron Parish School lunch menus are as follows:
Friday, Feb. 1 - Baked ham, lettuce, cup, sweet peas, yellow cake, pineapple topping, wheat sliced bread, milk
Wednesday, Feb. 6 - Tuna salad, tossed salad, whole kernal corn, yellow cake, chocolate glaze, salad dress-

ing, sliced bread, milk
Thursday, Feb. 7 - Spaghetti and meatballs, whole kernal corn, fruit salad, peanut butter cookies, garlic bread, milk
Friday, Feb. 8 - Fish portion, cole slaw, oven fries, banana pudding, catsup, hamburger bun, milk.



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BRETT GRIFFITH, #23, won the game for Grand Lake versus Lacassine with this 2 point basket with seven-tenths of a second left on the clock. Brett had 25 points and 14 rebounds. Jayce Hebert had 14 points, with Sam Johnston following with 12. (Photo by Ron Gilbert.)



LIZ KINGHAM, #13, is shown making a lay-up for Grand Lake against Sacred Heart Academy-Grand Coteau. Grand Lake won 55-28. Grand Lake is now 3-4 for district. They play at Midland Friday night. (Photo by Ron Gilbert.)



JAYCE HEBERT, #44, of Grand Lake tied the game against Lacassine with this 3 point shot with less than 5 seconds on the clock. (Photo by Ron Gilbert.)



GARRETT BILLIOT, #24, is shown making a lay-up in this tough match up between Grand Lake and ESA. Grand Lake won with a score of 78-71. Brett Griffith made 15 rebounds and 29 points. Garrett Billiot made 5 assists and 8 points. Jayce Hebert added 17 points and Sam Johnston contributed 14. Grand Lake is now 4-3 for district. (Photo by Ron Gilbert.)

Brain food for kids--here are some suggestions

(NAPSA)-Children need to eat smart for their brains as well as the rest of their body. Parents can help them make the right choices by taking simple steps to incorporate more foods that help support brain health and cognitive development. Dr. Alan Greene, author of "From First Kicks to First Steps" and "Raising Baby Green," recommends the following nutrients with solutions to help parents incorporate brain-building nutrients into their children's diets without sacrificing great taste:

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- Whole Grains. Whole grains are rich in folate and other B vitamins that help support a healthy nervous system. Whip up a batch of kid-friendly whole wheat pancakes and make sandwiches using 100 percent whole grain bread or tortillas for lunch. Use brown rice instead of white rice.

For more ways to incorporate healthy eating into your family's diet, visit www.HorizonOrganic.com.

Basketball

By **CHRIS & LAURIE MUELLER**

BOYS

Merryville 115, South Cameron 60 - Lance Braxton was the leading scorer for the Tarpons with 19 points. Kyle Little added 15 as the Tarpons drop to 10-15 on the year and 1-5 in district.

Grand Lake 59, Lacassine 57 - Brett Griffith paced the Hornets over the Cardinals. Griffith also had 12 rebounds for the double double. Jace Hebert added 14 points. He hit a 3 pointer with 3 seconds left to tie the game. Sam Johnston scored 12 points.

Elton 62, South Cameron 55 - Kyle Little scored 17 points for the Tarpons. Daniel Kelly and Garrett Taylor added 15 points each.

Grand Lake 70, Bell

City 57 - Brett Griffith scored 25 points and had 14 rebounds for the Hornets as they upset 10th ranked Bell City. Jace Hebert added 15 points and Sam Johnston had 14 points. Garrett Billiot chipped in 10 points.

Johnson Bayou 56, Hyatt 36 - Aaron Jinks paced the Rebels (13-15, 1-1) with 27 points. Dustin Badon added 16 points.

Hackberry 66, Starks 62 - Dillon Thibodeaux led the 4th ranked Mustangs with 20 points. Ian Blue added 14 points and Judd Addison chipped in 11 points. Steven Miller scored 10 points.

GIRLS

Merryville 61, South Cameron 39 - Rachael Fountain chipped in 12 points for the lady Tarpons. Whitney Richard added 11 points and Haley McCall scored 9 points.

Lacassine 30, Grand Lake 21 - Liz Kingham led the Lady Hornets with 7 points. The 8th ranked Lady Hornets fall to 2-8 overall and 2-4 in district.

South Cameron 62, Elton 42 - Whitney Richard led all scorers with 18 points and 17 rebounds. Haley McCall added 13 points and Rachael Fountain chipped in 12 points.

Grand Lake 32, Bell City 30 - Liz Kingham was the leading scorer for the Lady Hornets with 9 points.

Johnson Bayou 60, Hyatt 38 - Charmayne Barrentine led all scorers with 24 points. Tabitha Harrington added 12 points for the 14-13, 1-1 Lady Rebels.

Starks 60, Hackberry 38 - Allyson Sanner was the leading scorer for the Lady Mustangs (11-19, 1-1) with 14 points.

Sheriff's Report

The following arrests were made by the Cameron Parish Sheriff's Dept. Jan. 22-29:

Mitchell P. Vincent, 27, 1516 Arsen LeBleu Rd, Lake Charles, Bench Warrant.

Michael Dwayne Fontenot, 33, 3830 Nelson Rd, Lake Charles, Bench Warrant.

Clifton Espouse, 39, 1415 Abraham St., Cameron, Solicitation.

Allison Sturlese, 19, 100 Debra Lane, Cameron, Bench Warrant.

Tara Denise Miller, 37, 333E. Creole Hwy., Creole, Theft.

Myron Murrell, 29, 172 John St., Cameron, Fugitive Warrant (Calcasieu), Bench Warrant.

Jason Paul Sturlese, 21, 141E. Mallard Rd., Cameron, Bench Warrant.

Michael Paul Miller, 28, W. Calcasieu Dr., Lake Charles, Speeding, D.W.I.

Ashley Elizabeth Hebert, 23, 2500 Smith Rd., Lake Charles, Possession of CDS III, Possession of CDS II.

Rhonda Renee Malbrough, 1955 Gardon Dr., Lake Charles, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of Marijuana.

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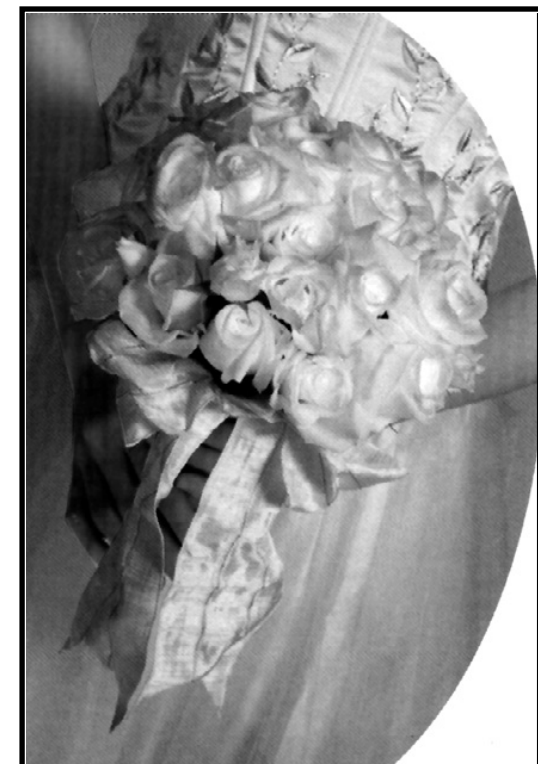
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By LOSTON MCEVERS



FOUR GREAT LAKES
Due to leap year, February has an extra day, Feb. 29, and we have some hunting seasons closing at the end of February. Rabbit, squirrel and quail close Feb. 29, but remember that snipe season closes Feb. 28. We don't have much of quail shooting here in Cameron Parish, but we do have some good snipe shooting.

FISHING
As February rolls around, anglers are getting ready to start fishing, many fishing for bass. I think we'll see an improvement in our local marshes on bass fishing this spring, as spawning and bass growth should show up as conditions have gotten better since Hurricane Rita. Anglers are awaiting the Miami's Corporation Permit fishing to begin, usually around March 15, this includes the Big Burn, Old Amoco Field and the Miami's property. Lacassine Refuge usually also opens around March 15, but we'll have to see what areas we can fish, if work has started to clean up the fish impoundment. Cameron Prairie also is a March 15 open as well as Sabine Refuge in Hackberry. Rockefeller Refuge usually has a March 1 opening, but all of these dates are a wait and see.

LEMESCHE BASS CLUB
The Lemesche Bass Club will hold an important meeting on Feb. 18, at 6:30 p.m. at the Darren Richard building in Creole. Members are asked to bring \$35 for dues, plus money for entry fees for a couple of early club tournaments to be fished in the Lake Misere, Intracoastal waters, as well as the

Mermentau River Basin. The two dates are Feb. 24 (Sunday), and March 9 (Saturday).

STATES FISH HOLES
Gary Tilyou of Wildlife and Fisheries says the top four lakes to catch a trophy bass, 110 pounds or over, are: Toledo Bend, Caney Lake, Chicot Lake, and Poverty Point.

Toledo Bend with deep waters is 186,000 acres, has a 14 inch minimum length on bass and has over 50 bass, 10 pounds or better, with a 13.55 caught in March last year.

Caney Lake is 5000 acres and had a 13 pounder in 1991. The lake had 16 of top 20 bass for the state after 1992. In 1993 there was a 15.53 pounder weighed in, and in 1994 got a state record. Caney Lake is located southwest of Chatham in Jackson Parish.

Poverty Point is 3000 acres which opened in 2000. They have a slot limit of 15-19 inches. One bass allowed in the 8 fish creel limit, of 19 inches. There was early stocking of Florida bass and when they opened the lake, there were already 5 to 6 pound bass. It's located a few miles from Delhi in Richland Parish, north of Winnsboro.

Chicot Lake started with Florida Fingerlings in 1988, and is a 1700 acre lake. There is a slot limit of 14 to 17 inches, and only 4 of 8 creel limit may be over 17 inches in length. There has been quite a few 8 pounders taken by in the mid-'90s a 13.63 pounder was caught, but still 10, 11 & 12 pounder landed. Chicot Lake/Chicot Park is located near Ville Plate in Evangeline Parish.

Smoked Sausage Stew

A quick and easy stew using smoked sausage, vegetable soup and fresh shredded cabbage. Best served with fresh corn bread on the side. Prep Time: approx. 15 Minutes. Cook Time: approx. 30 Minutes. Ready in: approx. 45 Minutes. Makes 6 servings.

- 1 pound smoked sausage, cut into 1 inch pieces
- 2 (10.5 ounce) cans condensed vegetable soup
- 1/2 medium head cabbage, shredded

Cut smoked sausage into 1 inch pieces and brown lightly in skillet. Combine vegetable soup with sausage and place shredded cabbage over the top. Place lid on skillet and let cook on medium heat until cabbage is tender. Stir together and serve.

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Tagged Speckled trout should be released

(Louisiana Sea Grant College Program)

Jody Callihan reminds anglers in southwestern Louisiana to release any speckled trout they catch bearing a yellow tag. The animals are part of his ongoing doctoral research in LSU's Department of Oceanography and Coastal Sciences that seeks to better understand the movements and habitat use of adult spotted sea trout in the Calcasieu Lake system.

In May, Callihan released 51 specks with surgically implanted transmitters and placed 50 telemetry receivers throughout the estuary to record the unique signals from each tagged fish.

"We know a little bit about their movements from conventional tagging studies, but these types of studies are rather limited in that we only have two data points for each fish - where it was released and where it was captured - and know nothing about what happened in between," Callihan said.

"The acoustic telemetry approach we're using is a high-resolution technique that allows quasi-continuous tracking of individual fish. From this we can discern individual movement patterns at a variety of spatial and temporal scales and quantify habitat use." The study will continue until at least May 2009.

The project is funded by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) through Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration from the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service. It is also part of the Louisiana Cooperative Marine Sport Fish Tagging Program. Fish for the study were caught by volunteer anglers, including members of the Coastal

Conservation Association (CCA) and Hackberry Rod and Gun.

Kevin Savoie, area agent for the Southwest Region for Louisiana Sea Grant and the LSU AgCenter, helped tag fish, scout receiver sites and make the public aware of the project. He is excited about what Callihan's work may reveal about this prized, yet understudied sport fish.

"This is really a great project that was asked for by local fishermen," Savoie said. "Over the years, Calcasieu Lake has been both a mecca for speckled trout anglers and a hotbed for management controversies. In the last decade, gillnet fishing has been phased out, charter fishing has grown and recreational fishing has boomed. Concerns by some charter and recreational fishermen have been the impetus for creel reductions from 25 to 15 fish daily, of which only two fish of 25 inches or greater per day are allowed."

"According to the best available scientific data from LDWF," Savoie continued, "the stocks are healthy and these changes were unnecessary. This study will hopefully help offer some insight into some unanswered questions about movements within the Calcasieu estuary, and if these fish are only a small part of a much larger population that includes fish in the near-shore waters of the Gulf of Mexico."

In October, 24 additional fish were tagged and released, and Callihan said he plans to tag and release another 60 in the spring. The transmitters have a battery life of about a year.

Three tagged trout have been caught so far. Fish in the study are marked just below the dorsal fin with a yellow tag labeled "LSU reward; please release." Fishermen are asked to release the fish alive as soon as possible and to call 1-800-891-3977 to report capture date, location, tag number and body length. Anglers will receive a free program hat and T-shirt and be entered into a lottery for cash prizes up to \$500.

Charles Precht reported that it may not be necessary to create a jake brake ordinance for large trucks, since the current noise ordinance includes a prohibition on altering muffler systems. The ordinance reads "No person shall remove or render inoperative, or cause to be removed or rendered inoperative, any muffler or sound dissipative device on a motor vehicle or motorcycle other than for the purpose of maintenance, repair, or replacement."

Assistant District Attorney Tom Barrett said

that law enforcement officers could take action without a citizen complaint if they see the alteration. It was alleged that the only way that jake brakes can make excessive noise is if the muffler system is altered.

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Hurricane recovery chief topic at P. J. meet

By CYNDI SELLERS

Hurricane recovery took up a major portion of the Cameron Police Jury's agenda meeting Monday night, with issues of rebuilding, property disposition, and coastal restoration taking up most of the meeting.

Juror Kirk Burleigh asked to have the restoration of the Cameron Multi-purpose Building placed on the agenda. He said the building can be repaired very easily and would provide much needed space for public gatherings. There is a FEMA project worksheet for the building and it is said to be ready to go out for bid.

Burleigh also asked that the Jetty Fishing Pier be fast-tracked, at least the pier and parking lot. Engineer Lonnie Harper was reported to be working on the specifications for the pier, pavilion, restrooms, and RV park. Whether they will all be bid together or separately is yet to be decided.

Parish Planner Ernie Broussard discussed the property disposition plan for land acquired by the parish from the Road Home program during a hearing on the plan. Fifty-one Cameron Parish properties have been sold to the Road Home Program to date.

They may be transferred to the parish, but the parish must first develop a plan to dispose of them. Broussard said that originally the plan was to give first preference to the original owners to buy the property. However, some jurors had concerns about the land remaining idle, and Broussard said the state had a problem with that option as well.

Other options include giving first preference to adjacent landowners, and bundling properties for economic development. The hearing produced no results, but Broussard said there will be public meetings to present the plan and to gain input from the public before the plan is finalized.

Parish Administrator Tina Horn reported that SWLA does not get adequate funding for coastal restoration projects because we have so few people and we are not organized to lobby for our projects. Interests in South east Louisiana, such as the Barataria-Terrebonne Association are very successful in getting their projects funded. She proposed an organization of SWLA

• WORSHIP SERVICES •

The Grand Lake Community Church will begin worship services on February 17, 2008 at 10 a.m. in the Fireman's Center, Grand Lake, LA.

THESE SERVICES WILL BE HELD ON THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH.

The Bible Study will continue to meet on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. at the Center. This is a Southern Baptist Fellowship. Our Worship Leaders will be Mark Dixon and Pastor/Teacher Mike Paris. Please come join us as we begin this new work for the Kingdom in this Community.

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1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance/Prayer
3. Reading of Minutes
4. Approval for Additions to Agenda
5. Jimmy Guilbeaux - Naming of Road
6. Drilling Permits:
 - a. Legacy Resources Company, LP - Holly Beach,

Section 18, T14S, R10W, (proposed drill site and structures for drilling Vincent Well No. 2), Cameron Parish, LA. (080201)

- b. Gulfport Energy Corporation - East Hackberry Field, Section N/A, T12S, R9W, (proposed pipeline installation to serve SL 50 Well No. 149), Cameron Parish, LA. (080202)
- c. Centurion Exploration Company - Chalkley Field, Section 15, T12S, R6W, (proposed drill site and structures for drilling Bruiere Mineral Co. SWD Well No. 2), Cameron Parish, LA. (080203)
- d. Mack Energy - Grand Chenier, Section 8, T13S, R3W, (proposed structures for drilling SL 18505 Well No. 1), Cameron Parish, LA. (080204)
- e. Crimson Exploration Inc. - Lacassine National Wildlife Refuge, Section 7 & 8, T12S, R5W, (proposed 3-inch flowline for producing Lacassine C No. B-4 Well), Cameron Parish, LA. (080205)
- f. Kaiser-Francis Oil Company - Black Bayou Field, Sections 7,8,17,18, T12S, R12W, Sections 2,11,12,13,14, T12S, R13W, (proposed pipelines, facilities and improvements for Black Bayou Gas Storage Project), Cameron Parish, LA. (080206)
7. Other Permits:
 - a. EPR, LLC - Big Lake, Section 31, T12S, R9W, (proposed boat house and slips for Commissary Point), Cameron Parish, LA. (080115)
 8. Appointments:
 - a. Communications Dist. - Renella Hargrave, Letha Mae "Tutti" Savoie - resigned
 - b. Ambulance Dist. #1 - JoAnn Nunez, Phyllis Pinch - term expired
 - c. Water & Wastewater Dist. #1 - Tony Porche - term expired
 - d. Fire Dist. #7 - Jude Primeaux, Carol Baccigalopi - term expired
 - e. Fire Dist. #9 - Michael Baccigalopi, Charles Theriot - term expired
 - f. Fire Dist. #14 - Joseph A. Racca, C.S. Darbonne - term expired
 - g. Fire Dist. #15 - Elsworth Broussard - term expired

Do You Remember?

Cameron Pilot, Jan. 23, 1975
BOAT RUNS INTO AUTO
 The darnest things happen in Cameron Parish. Like, for example, when a mud boat ran into a Volkswagen last Friday morning. The small car, owned by a man from Landcaster, Tex., ran off into the roadside ditch south of the Sabine Refuge headquarters Thursday night. Apparently the driver, swam out leaving the car almost completely submerged. Later that day, the mud boat came along and struck the top of the car knocking out the windshield. Deputy J. B. Constance inspected the car after it was pulled from the canal with a wench truck.

REFUGE OFFICIAL SPEAKS TO CLUB
 The Grand Lake Sr. 4-H meeting for December was called to order by Pam Duhon. The pledge of allegiance was led by Marie O'Blanc and the 4-H pledge was led by Jolene LaBove. Minutes and roll call were given by Suzanne Robicheaux. Financial report was given by Beth Greathouse. Suzanne Robicheaux was presented a rice pot for participation in the rice contest. The guest speaker was Mr. Walters from Sabine refuge. He gave a talk on duck identification. Mr. Walters also discussed the iron shot and the danger of lead poisoning.

VISITING IS SC FHA PROJECT
 The South Cameron FHA held their December meeting with Theresa Cheramie presiding. The club delivered homemade cookies and candy to the elderly around the community for Christmas. They also went Christmas caroling at the South Cameron Hospital. Stockings filled with fruit were given to the ill from the FHA club.

- h. Gravity Dist. #7 - Ernest Carol Trahan - term expired
- i. Sweetlake - Grand Lake Cemetery Board - Ricky Poole, Rev. Andrew Martin, Gary Wicke - term expired
- j. Children & Youth Planning Board - Carl Broussard, Julie Burleigh - resigned - Katie McKoin, Miranda DeBarge, additional members, Flora Belle Semien, Ruby Miller
- k. Gravity Drainage Dist. #9 - Wesley Hardin
9. Advertise for Bids:
 - a. Cameron Multipurpose Building
 10. Plan Change:
 - a. Project #2007-14 - Muria Fire Station - Plan Change #1 - +\$5,655.92 - To allow for changing insulation in building
 - b. Project #2007-14 - Muria Fire Station - Plan Change #2 - +2,106.80 - To replace damaged steel hidden beneath soffit panels
 11. Resolution - Urging Support of SW Louisiana Coastal Restoration & Wetland Protection
 12. Resolution - Sand Fencing Project - USDA
 13. Resolution - Urging Local Amendment to Mosquito Abatement District Statute to allow for two additional members
 14. Amend Dog Ordinance
 15. Oil, Gas & Mineral Lease - Patrick L. Donahue Petroleum Properties, Inc.
 16. Authorize RFQ/RFP for Program Management Consultant
 17. Authorize RFP for CIAP/OCS Program Management Consultant
 18. Pay January 2008 Bills
 19. Letter of Appreciation - Guy Theriot
 20. Staff Report: Run: Jan. 31 (J 80)

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Laura Cheramie
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 The Family of
 Laura Cheramie

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Cameron Pilot, Jan. 23, 1975
LEBLEU ASKS FUNDS FOR BEACH ROAD
 Rep. Conway LeBleu of Cameron is asking the Louisiana Legislature to approve a reallocation of funds for coastal evacuation routes in Cameron Parish so that elevation and reconstruction of Louisiana 82 from Holly Beach to Johnson Bayou can be undertaken. The project, originally budgeted at \$1 million in a 1970 act, is now estimated to cost \$4.5 million. LeBleu wants to get the funds from a \$12 million allocation in the same act for construction of a 14-mile highway which would serve as an escape route from the city of Cameron to Grand Lake. Highway department plans for the Holly Beach-Johnson Bayou project were upgraded after it received recommendations from the Army Corps of Engineers for jetty rocks to be placed along the entire length of the roadway, as well as a revetment which had already been planned by the state, LeBleu said. Without the revetment, the highway is continually washed out by high tides. At one time, the highway department considered relocating it to the north away from the beach, but LeBleu said he and others objected because they felt relocation would leave the beach open to erosion and pose the hazard of salt water intrusion to the marshes to the north. The new highway and reconstruction of Louisiana 82 are two of four projects in Cameron and Calcasieu parishes included in the 1970 bill which authorized the issuance of bonds for construction of hurricane evacuation routes. The two other projects are the Ellender Ferry and Gibbstown Bridge on Louisiana 27, now under construction.

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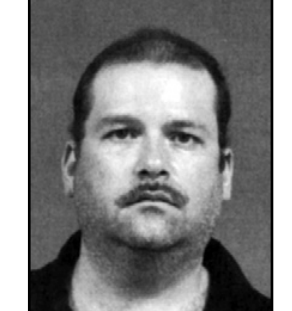
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 Race: White
 Sex: Male
 DOB: 06/25/73
 Height: 5' 11"
 Hair Color: Brown
 Eye Color: Brown
 Scars, tattoos, other identifying marks: "IAN" in sawblade (upper right arm); "BAM" (right and left forearms); Heart with "Laura" (upper left arm)
 J-6 runs: 1/30 - 2/7

— JOB OPPORTUNITY —

Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 7 is taking applications for the position of Operator. Applications can be picked up at the Waterworks District Office in Creole, between the hours of 8-3. All applications must be turned in before 3:00 p.m. on February 7, 2008 at the Waterworks District Office in Creole.
 RUN: Jan. 24 & 31 (J-41)

— NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC —

The Cameron Parish Police Jury meeting set for Monday, February 4, 2008 will be held at 3:00 p.m. rather than 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the courtroom of the Cameron Courthouse.
 RUN: Jan. 31 (J-77)

CREOLE POLLING PLACE RELOCATED

The Precinct 13, Creole Polling Place, located at the Savoie Lumber Store, 153 East Creole Hwy., Creole, La., is being relocated to the Creole Fire Station, 184B East Creole Highway, Creole, Louisiana. This move was adopted and approved by Resolution of the Cameron Parish Police Jury on December 3, 2007. This Polling Location will be used for voting in the upcoming Presidential Preference Primary Election to be held on Saturday, February 9, 2008. A complete listing of all Cameron Parish Polling Locations for the upcoming Presidential Preference Primary is listed elsewhere in this publication.
 RUN: Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7 (J-51)

NOTICE OF POLLING PLACES

According to Carl Broussard, Clerk of Court of Cameron Parish, in accordance with Title 18:535B of the Louisiana Election Code, the following is the official listing of the Polling Places for the upcoming Presidential Preference Primary Election to be held on Saturday, February 9, 2008.

— POLLING PLACES —

- Precinct 1, location: Johnson Bayou Recreation Center (IN TEMPORARY TRAILER) 135 Berwick Lane, Johnson Bayou, LA
- Precinct 2, location: Cameron Parish Emergency Operations Center 122 Recreation Center Lane, Cameron, LA (BEHIND COURTHOUSE)
- Precinct 3, location: Hackberry Community Center 986 Main Street, Hackberry, LA
- Precinct 4, location: Hackberry Community Center 986 Main Street, Hackberry, LA
- Precinct 5, location: Grand Lake Recreation Center 108 Recreation Lane, Grand Lake, LA
- Precinct 8, location: Lowry Fire Station 460 Lowry Hwy., Lowry, LA
- Precinct 9, location: Klondike Community Center Veterans Memorial Drive, Klondike, LA
- Precinct 12, location: Muria Fire Station 129 Muria Road, Creole, LA
- Precinct 13, location: Creole Fire Station 184B East Creole, Hwy., Creole, LA
- Precinct 14, location: Cameron Parish Emergency Operations Center 122 Recreation Center Lane, Cameron, LA (BEHIND COURTHOUSE)
- Precinct 15, location: Cameron Parish Emergency Operations Center 122 Recreation Center Lane, Cameron, LA (BEHIND COURTHOUSE)
- Precinct 16, location: Grand Lake Recreation Center 108 Recreation Lane, Grand Lake, LA
- Precinct 17, location: Grand Chenier Library 2867 Grand Chenier Hwy., Grand Chenier, LA

RUN: Jan. 24, 31 & Feb. 7 (J-52)

— NOTICE —

The Cameron Parish Mosquito Abatement District No. 1 has set the following meeting dates for 2008.

- LOCATION:**
 Office of Mosquito Control
 146 Theriot Road in Sweetlake
- MEETING TIME:**
 5:00 p.m.
- MEETING DATES:**
 Thursday, February 14, 2008
 Thursday, March 13, 2008
 Thursday, April 10, 2008
 Thursday, May 8, 2008
 Thursday, June 19, 2008
 Thursday, July 17, 2008
 Thursday, August 14, 2008
 Thursday, September 11, 2008
 Thursday, October 9, 2008
 Thursday, November 20, 2008
 Thursday, December 18, 2008

RUN: JAN. 31 (J-56)



THIS POODLE was decked out for Mardi Gras during the Fur Festival Parade on Saturday, Jan. 12. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



SOMEONE SENT the Pilot the above photo found on the Internet supposedly of a 1035-pound great white shark caught off of Galveston. However, this turned out to be a hoax. The shark shown was caught off Nova Scotia, and the picture was doctored to make the shark seem bigger.



TINA HORN, Cameron Parish Chamber of Commerce treasurer, is shown receiving a check for "Friends of Cameron Parish" from James Ducote, public relations director for Cheniere Energy, LNG to help re-inter vaults and caskets that floated up during Hurricane Rita. The parish was left with about 350 empty graves and vaults. Body retrieval was headed by Zeb Johnson and Dr. Richard Sanders, Calcasieu and Cameron corners. About 40 bodies are still unaccounted for. Louisiana law does not permit Police Juries to spend taxpayer money in private cemeteries. For this reason the Parish and the Chamber of Commerce solicited donors to help in the recovery process. Other donations have been received from Cameron State Bank, William Doré, Sr., Jim Flores, and Catholic Daughters of America No. 1785.



PICTURED ABOVE are 4-H members William Fincher and Cody Jouett busy creating digital maps using GIS software. The two will use what they learned at a three day workshop to create maps to be used in emergency situations. (Photo courtesy of Ruby Miller.)

Two 4-Hers participate in LSU mapping seminar

Two Cameron Parish 4-Hers participated in the 4-H Youth Emergency, Alert, Evacuation and Shelter Mapping Seminar at the LSU AgCenter Jan. 15-17. Cody Jouett and William Fincher, along with Gregoire Theriot and Mrs. Ruy Miller attended the training as a parish team. With the 2008 hurricane season starting June 1, the two Cameron 4-Hers have acquired digital mapping skills that may prove valuable to the Cameron Parish communities. This week, the team learned to: help plan for community emergencies, develop emergency management partnerships between

youth and adults, and use computer based GIS and GPS technology to locate and map emergency shelters and evacuation routes. A part of the training the group also visited the Louisiana State Emergency Operations Center. The event was based on a national program of emergency hurricane readiness studied by coastal parishes and counties in 11 southeastern states most at risk to hurricanes. 45 4-H youth and adult volunteer leaders from nine Louisiana communities explored ways to make their communities safer during weather emergencies.

Garden forum to be held in DeQuincy

The DeQuincy Garden Club will host an early spring forum to acquaint Southwest Louisiana residents with new information and methods for home gardening, fruit planting and new plants for the landscape, according to Dr. Bill Young, club president. Experts from the LSU AgCenter will speak on these and other topics at the DeQuincy United Methodist Church, 301 E. Center St., on Thursday, Feb. 21. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and the program will begin at 9 a.m. and concluded around noon. There is no charge for attendance and everyone in the Southwest Louisiana area is invited to attend. "This is an excellent opportunity to pick up new ideas for home gardening and landscaping," Dr. Young said. A schedule of topics and speakers will be announced later.



SHELBY AUTHEMENT, a Sulphur High School Jr., won first in class with her Sr. Doe, placed first in class for Showmanship and took Grand Champion in Showmanship for the Calcasieu Parish Livestock Show Saturday, Jan. 19. Shelby relocated to Sulphur from South Cameron High School after Hurricane Rita.



HACKBERRY 4-H club members John Eric White and William Toups watched as Dean Sanner loaded his gun at the B B Bonanza at the Hackberry Duck Off recently. Also assisting was Shooting Sports project leader Stacy White and parents Katie Toups and Krista Nunez. (Photo courtesy of Margaret Shove.)

All American Rose Selection

With the New Year come announcements of ornamental plant winners. One popular competition is the All-America Rose Selections. AARS winners for 2008 are Mardi Gras and Dream Come True. LSU AgCenter horticulture professor Dr. Allen Owings calls Dream Come True a stunning sight of catchy colors, which lures the likes of even non-rose lovers to its side. This rose produces flawlessly formed yellow blossoms, blushed with ruby-red at the tips, all set amongst abundant matte-green foliage. The big, bushy vigorous plant yields long-stemmed, long-lived blooms with mild tea fragrance, making it lovely in the landscape and a great choice for bouquets. Dream Come True was hybridized by Dr. John Pottschmidt of Cincinnati, Ohio - only the third amateur hybridizer to win the AARS Award in 67 years - and introduced by Weeks Roses of Rancho Cucamonga, Calif. Owings says Mardi Gras creates a festive atmosphere in any setting with its flamboyant blooms in a novel

blend of pink, orange and yellow and its delightful peppery scent. Each high-centered hybrid tea-style bloom begins as an apricot-orange bud that slowly spirals open to reveal a 4-inch bright pink and orange bloom with a yellow base. Mardi Gras has proven to perform exceptionally well across the country with little-to-no care. The colorful blooms are perfectly framed with dark green, semi-glossy foliage, and its upright columnar habit makes it an ideal rose to use as a hedge or in a border with mixed perennials. Mardi Gras was hybridized by Keith Zary and is introduced by Jackson & Perkins Wholesale, Inc., Medford, Ore. All-America Rose Selection roses are evaluated at the LSU AgCenter Burden Center in Baton Rouge prior to and after their release. You can view on-going rose research at Burden. Landscape studies evaluating rose performance are also being initiated this year at the LSU AgCenter's Hammond Research Station in Hammond.

Free fig trees


Gabe Nunez has several fig trees to be given away. Call 488-6781 to make arrangements for pickup.



G. C. Library schedule

Grand Chenier Library announces their schedule as follows: "Crossword Daze", 10 a.m. Daily "After School Club", "Chess Your Luck", 4 p.m., Thursdays after school Friday, Feb 8, "Gift Jar Demonstration" presented by Penny Thibodeaux, LSU Ag Agent, 12 noon, Supplies will be provided. "LA Spirit Hurricane Recovery Team", Arts & Crafts, 1 -3 p.m. on Fridays. Please call 538-2214 for more details.

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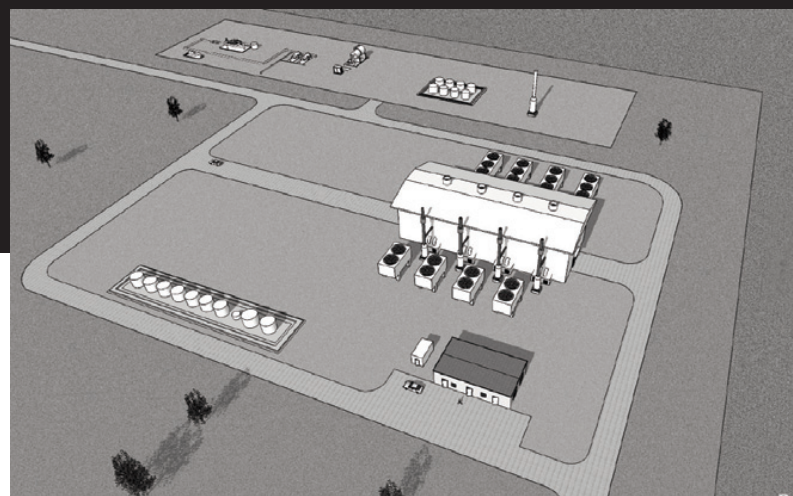
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