



Alex Savoie

## Alex Savoie signs to play for McNeese

Alec Savoie, Division I prospect, signed a National Letter of Intent with the McNeese State Cowboys. Alec, a native of Johnson Bayou, is a Senior at Comeaux High School in Lafayette. He is the son of Brian and Tisha (Trahan) Jackson of Lafayette and Jess and Jenifer Savoie of Sulphur. His grandparents are Jesse and Vicky Trahan of Johnson Bayou and Yank and Twila Savoie of Creole. He is the great-grandson of the late Alton A. and Mae (Mudd) Trahan of Johnson Bayou and Stanley and Luella McComic of Orange, Tex.

Alec is a 6'7", 300 lb. Offensive Tackle who chose McNeese after an early verbal commitment to Tulane University in the Spring of his Junior year. Alec changed his commitment to McNeese just weeks before signing day after considering their successful football program, as well as the hometown connection. He is looking forward to an outstanding career with the McNeese Cowboys. Alec's senior honors included first Team All District, first Team All Parish, second Team All Acadiana and the Doug Kleban Memorial Award (the highest football honor given at Comeaux High School).

## G. L. girls in playoff game in Florien

The entire student body of Grand Lake High School will be dismissed at 12 noon on Thursday, Feb. 21, for the Quarterfinal Round of the 2008 LHSAA Girls' Basketball Playoffs. Lunch will be served early and all students are encouraged to eat lunch at school before leaving.

Buses will begin their routes at 12 noon. Parents whose students do not ride the bus should make arrangements to have their children picked up at noon.

The Lady Hornets will play the Florien Lady Blackcats at 6 p.m. at Florien High School in Florien. Admission to the game is \$5 per person.

## Legion Post to meet Tues.

The American Legion Post 176 of Cameron will hold their monthly meeting Tuesday, Feb. 26, at 5 p.m. in the home of Past Commander Roland Primeaux, 258 E Creole Hwy, Creole.

Refreshments will be served. Contact Commander Vernon Primeaux at 802-6685 for more information.



TEMPERATURES ARE warming up, as seen by this alligator basking along the Pintail Wildlife Drive at Cameron Prairie Refuge. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

# FEMA trailer residents: where can they go?

By CYNDI SELLERS

The need for housing in Cameron Parish has become even more critical now that residents of FEMA trailers have received notices concerning recently released formaldehyde test results. As a result of a significant number of units showing elevated levels of the preservative, FEMA is working to get people out of the units as quickly as possible, but where can they go?

"Our first priority is occupants with health concerns and those most susceptible to health risks such as the elderly, households with young children, and those with respiratory challenges," said a FEMA press release this week.

The agency is willing to go to extraordinary lengths to help, offering to pay transportation costs, rent storage units for possessions, pay rent up front to landlords, even contract directly with landlords and hotel/motel owners to eliminate credit and/or background issues. However, the availability of rental housing is low in Calcasieu and virtually nonexistent in Cameron Parish, so except for cases of severe health risk, realistically there is little chance of relocation at this time.

There are currently 399 FEMA housing units in Cameron Parish. Of these, 62 are mobile homes, which did not show a formaldehyde problem. Of the remaining 337 travel trailers, 54 are in commercial parks, and the other 283 are on private property. FEMA would like to close the Shandy Acres group site in Grand Lake by the end of May, but availability of rental property could delay that date.

Of the 519 FEMA units tested gulf-wide by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), between 60 and 70 were in the Southwest Louisiana area. In the coming days representatives of the CDC and FEMA will meet with residents of the tested trailers and explain their test results. Other residents may request testing.

On the housing front, Dinah Landry, Director of the Cameron Council on Aging and the Cameron Community Action Agency, reports that she is "working

really hard to get apartments back into Cameron." The Cameron Place Apartments were destroyed by the hurricane, and Landry has been informed that replacements will have to be built 12 feet above sea level. She says she has funds to get started, but is trying to find a company to insure the complex. "Right now, no one wants to take a chance."

The planned Senior Apartments in Grand Lake have been going through the regulatory process for almost a year, and Landry hopes to have final approval by the end of February. If so, the apartments could be complete sometime this year. With construction about to begin on the Lion's Club

Human Resources center (Grand Lake senior center), Landry says her motto is "2008 is going to be great!"

In Cameron, local businessman Stephen Vincent has purchased the old Cameron Motel #2 on School Street and plans to convert it into a small apartment complex. If all goes well, he could have a few units available this year as well.

Cameron Parish Planning and Economic Development Director Ernie Broussard has been working with potential developers who have expressed an interest in housing projects in lower Cameron Parish, but nothing can be confirmed at this time.

## Lake area residents will clean streets this Sunday

By VALARIE PRECHT

It seems as though we're all complaining about the litter that spoils the scenic beauty in Cameron Parish. Well, now we have a chance to unite and do something about it!

Area residents in the Sweetlake, Grand Lake, and Big Lake communities are invited to join together Sunday afternoon, Feb. 24, from 1 - 4 p.m. and 'take it to the streets!'

Everyone will gather under the Cameron Communications tent and divide into teams. Each team will be assigned a section of roadway to clean.

D.O.T.D. will provide orange vests, and the Cameron Parish Sheriff's Dept. will be on hand to provide traffic control as well.

Several area businesses and civic groups have pledged their support to make this event a success.

A "hydration station" truck will be on hand throughout the clean-up giving water to thirsty participants.

Each volunteer will receive a free t-shirt, and door prizes will be awarded

when everyone returns to Boone's at 4 p.m.

Hot dogs, cold drinks, and sweets will await hungry workers when the job is done.

Dress comfortably. Wear gloves, old shoes, visors or caps, and sunscreen. Bring your crab nets or rakes.

If, for any reason you are physically unable to join in the clean-up, come assist in any way possible.

New to the community? Here's your chance to meet your neighbors and unite for this worthy cause.

See you Sunday!

## S'lake church to show film Sat.

Saturday, Feb. 23 at 6 p.m., As part of the church's 100th Anniversary Celebration, Sweetlake United Methodist Church will host a movie night. Feature film is *Passion of the Christ*.

There will be free popcorn and cold drinks. After the movie, the pastor will lead a brief discussion period. Parental discretion is advised.



ABBIE DELCAMBRE, a 4-H'er from Cameron Parish, showed the reserve grand champion market goat at the 73rd Annual LSU AgCenter 4-H and FFA Livestock Show Feb. 9-16 at the Lamar-Dixon Expo Center in Gonzales.

## Parish youths winners at state livestock show

Hundreds of young people from across Louisiana were named state champions during the 73rd Annual LSU AgCenter 4-H and FFA Livestock Show Feb. 9-16 at the Lamar-Dixon Expo Center in Gonzales.

To qualify for the state show, the competitors had to first participate in parish and district livestock shows across Louisiana. At the state show, which is sponsored by the LSU AgCenter, more than 3,000 young people competed with more than 6,000 animals, according to the LSU AgCenter Livestock Show office.

This year's show was dedicated to Louisiana 4-H, which is celebrating 100 years of providing the state's youth with leadership development communication and character education programs.

Judges at the LSU AgCenter Livestock Show determined 2008 state champions in various breeds of beef and dairy cattle, goats, hogs,

poultry and sheep.

Following is a list of winners in various livestock categories and their home parish-es and 4-H or FFA affiliation:

### MARKET GOATS

Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat - Abbie Delcambre, Cameron 4-H.  
Reserve Champion Louisiana-bred Market Goat - Torey Little, Cameron 4-H.

### MARKET SWINE

Reserve Champion Louisiana-bred Hampshire - Brendan Trahan, Cameron 4-H.

Champion and Champion Louisiana-bred Cross - Abby Leboeuf, Cameron 4-H.

### MARKET STEERS

Grand Champion American Market Steer - Jolie Trahan, Cameron 4-H

### BREEDING BEEF

Reserve Champion and Reserve Champion Louisiana-bred Braford Base Bull - Lex Conner, Grand Lake FFA.

Champion and Champion Louisiana-bred Braford Base Heifer - Lex Conner, Grand Lake FFA.

Reserve Champion and Reserve Champion Louisiana-bred Braford Base Heifer - Bryce LaBove, Cameron 4-H.

Reserve Champion Hereford Heifer - Rebecca Dupont, Cameron 4-H.

Reserve Champion Louisiana-bred Red Brangus Bull - Alan Myers, Cameron 4-H.

Reserve Champion Louisiana-bred Red Brangus Heifer - Alan Myers, Cameron 4-H

## Head Start applications

Cameron Parish Head Start is now taking applications for pupils 3-5 years of age for the upcoming school year of 2008-09. Pupils must be three by Sept. 30, 2008.

Applications are available at Grand Lake Head Start Center, 965 Highway 384, 598-4413 or Hackberry Head Start Center, 110 Volunteer Lane, 762-3587.



NEW SIGNS are going up for the newly rebuilt South Cameron Memorial Hospital located between Cameron and Creole. The hospital was destroyed in Hurricane Rita in 2005 but recently reopened in new facilities. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



ALEXIS CALL and Madison Jinks of Johnson Bayou volunteered their time to help raise funds for the March of Dimes. The District IV Future Business Leaders of America are participating in a "Dime Wars" competition with other Districts in the State. Cameron Parish won the district competition. Winner of the bear was Cade Badon.



SACRED HEART Catholic Church in Creole, which was almost completely destroyed in Hurricane Rita in 2005, is now being restored. A new bell tower is now taking shape in front of the building. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



PAPERWHITES ON Chenier Perdue promise the spring cannot be far away. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

# Funerals

## MICHAEL KEITH BOURRIAGUE

Michael Keith Bourriague, 51, of Iowa, died Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2008 in DeRidder.

He was a native of Creole and was a member of St. John Catholic Church of Lacassine.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Veronica.

He is survived by his parents, Joseph A. and Norma Lee Bourriague of Lacassine; two sons, Curtis Geer of Iowa and Colby Leger of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; two daughters, Britney Bourriague and Bailey Bourriague both of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; brothers, David Bourriague of Carlyss, Lefty Bourriague of Lake Charles and Edward Bourriague of Longville; sisters, Peggy Conner of Mississippi, Dona Veflwyvelt of Grand Lake, Helen Conner of Kaplan, and Mary Ellis of Bridge City, Tex.

His funeral was held Saturday, Feb. 16 in Hixson Funeral Home of Welsh. The Rev. Augustine Mulanjany officiated. Burial was in Lacassine Cemetery.

## LYNN E. GRUETZMACHER

Lynn E. "Lenny" Gruetzmacher, 52 of Creole, formerly of Oshkosh, Wis.,

passed away at his home Sunday, Feb. 10, 2008. On Nov. 22, 1955 he was born in Oshkosh, the son of Edward C. Gruetzmacher and Beverly Mantei Gruetzmacher Ebert. Lenny was working for Air Logistic, a helicopter company in Louisiana. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Oshkosh. His hobbies were fixing cars and hunting. Lenny was also an avid Green Bay Packers fan.

Survivors include his two sisters, Cindy (Bob) Jenkins and Lisa (Mike) Galica, both of Oshkosh, Wis.; three nieces and one nephew, Kyle and Kayla Jenkins and Brianna and Bethany Galica; a special aunt who was like a Mother, Betty Lou (Dave) Clark of Black River Falls, Wis.; his faithful canine companion, "Baby"; several cousins including special cousins, Doug and Linda Frerks and their family, Dick and Arlene Frerks and their family, all of Creole and Wendy and Mike Dobosiewicz and their family of Ingleside, Ill.

Lenny was preceded in death by his parents; his step-father; Bill Ebert and a cousin; Mark Frerks.

Funeral services were held at 11:30 a.m., Monday, Feb. 18, in Fiss & Bills Funeral Home, 130 Church Ave., Oshkosh, Wis. Rev. Joel Olsen officiated.

Entombment was in Lake

View Memorial Park in Oshkosh. Friends greeted the family from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., Monday in the funeral home.

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## SOPHIE SAVOY

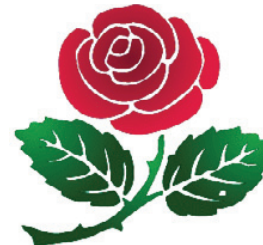
Sophie "Mame" Savoy, 81, died Monday, Feb. 11, 2008, in her residence in Lake Charles.

She was a native of Cameron, where she resided most of her life prior to moving to Lake Charles, 15 years ago. She was a member of Bargeman Memorial Church of God in Christ and owner of the Cozy Inn of Cameron.

She is survived by one son, James Lee Savoy and wife Cheryl of Lake Charles; one daughter, Patricia Scott and husband Nelson Wilson Jr. of Lake Charles; one sister, Mary Bargeman of Cameron; one brother, Norman Andrews of Cameron; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two sisters; and four brothers.

Her funeral was held Saturday, Feb. 16, in New Emanuel Baptist Church. The Rev. Charles Porter officiated. Burial was in Bargeman Memorial Cemetery in Cameron.



## Memorial books given to Library

Ricky and Kimberly LeBouef have donated six memorial books to the Cameron Parish Library with the honoree and book titles listed in that order:

Chris Hebert, Basic Baseball Strategy; John Buddy Stephenson, Understanding Wood; Rodney Willis, Canal Street: New Orleans Great Wide Wave; Frankie Henry, Why Cowboys Need a Brand; Braxton Blake, The Littlest Cowboy's Christmas; Sadie Hawkins, Lush & Lively Flowers You Can Paint.

G. C. and Brenda Quinn have donated three memorial books with the honorees and book titles listed in that order:

Mildred Mudd, Watercolor in Bloom; Mat "Coochie" Trahan, The Complete Book of Crochet Stitch Designs; Pat and Margaret Doland, After The Hunt.

## Audrey book is on sale

The hardbound edition of the book, *Hurricanes of the Past: The Untold Story of Hurricane Audrey*, is now on sale at the Grand Lake Branch of the Cameron Parish Library, according to the author, Donald Menard of Rayne.

Menard is the author of two soft-cover books about Hurricane Audrey, which were published in 1997 and 1999. The new hard-cover edition contains over 270 pages and more than 200 photographs.

Readers interested in purchasing a copy of the new hard-cover edition, *Hurricanes of the Past: The Untold Story of Hurricane Audrey*, can call the author Donald Menard at 334-9094 to obtain a copy, or they may send a written request to the author at Post Office Box 275, Rayne, Louisiana 70578.



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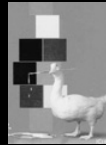


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## Hackberry News

By GRACE WELCH

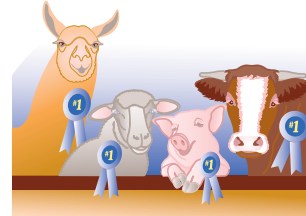
### CHURCH NEWS

The Way of The Cross in Hackberry will be at 5 p.m. on Thursday followed by Mass. The Way of The Cross in Johnson Bayou will be at 6 p.m. on Wednesday followed by a Mass.

Hackberry, First Communion Classes will be every Monday after school till 5 p.m. except on Feb. 25.

### BROWN'S GROCERY

Jimmy Brown owner of Brown's Grocery of Hackberry has been remodeling the inside of the store. The remodeling started Feb. 12.



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# South Cameron High School News

## WRESTLING NEWS

Congratulations to Hunter Canik (130), Jonathon Trahan (140), and Dex Murphy (145); they each placed runner-up in Division III at the State Wrestling Meet held in New Orleans.

## DISTRICT LIVESTOCK SHOW WINNERS

District Livestock Show winners include: Amanda Wicke - Reserve Champion Louisiana Bred Market Steer; Cody Jouett - Grand Champion and Champion Louisiana Bred Limousin Heifer; Kami Savoie - Reserve Champion and Champion Louisiana Bred Red Brangus Heifer; Alan Myers - Reserve Champion Louisiana Bred Red Brangus Bull; Mathew Morgan - Reserve Champion Louisiana Bred Herford Heifer; Braids LaBove - Reserve Champion and Champion Louisiana Bred Bradford Base Bull; Bailey E. Richard - Reserve Champion and Grand Champion Louisiana Bred Brahman Bull; Kami Savoie - Grand Champion and Grand Champion Louisiana Bred Brangus Bull; Brett Richard - Senior

Beef Showman; Bailey E. Richard - Intermediate Beef Showman; and Becca Richard - Jr. Beef Showman.

## CHEERLEADER TRYOUTS

High school varsity cheerleading tryouts will be March 19. Sign up has begun and will last through Feb. 29. Sign up in the high school office.

Any student who as not paid their \$50 driver's education fee should pay as soon as possible. Payments can be made in the high school office.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

Thursday, Feb. 21, Boys Basketball - Lake Arthur (home).

Feb. 22-23, Softball - St. Louis Tournament - Varsity and JV (away).

Monday, Feb. 25, Biology & Chemistry Field Trip - Houston Science Museum.

Tuesday, Feb. 26, Baseball - South Beauregard-Away.

Feb. 28-March 1, Baseball - Iowa Tournament-Away.

Feb. 29-March 1, Softball-Grand Lake Tournament-Away.

# Grand Lake girls to play Florien in the playoffs

By CHRIS & LAURIE MUELLER

The 6th ranked Grand Lake Lady Hornets advanced to the quarterfinals via wins over #27 Dodson in the bi-district round of the Class B playoffs and a regional win over #11 Zwolle. They will play at #3 Florien in the quarterfinals this week.

In their 77-68 win over Dodson, Liz Kingham led the Lady Hornets with 17 points. Sonya Lavergne and Tasha Fontenot added 16 points each and Kat Kingham and Amber Trahan chipped in 14 points each.

Johnson Bayou entered the playoffs as the #16 seed

in the Class C playoffs and hosted #17 seed and district rival Hackberry in bi-district. The Lady Rebels won the contest 49-34. Charmayne Barrentine led the Lady Rebels with 17 points.

Eden Broussard added 15 points and Tabitha Harrington scored 11 points. Kayla Sanner was the leading scorer for the Lady Mustangs, who finish the season with a 12-23 record.

On Monday night the Lady Rebels saw their season come to an end at the hands of #1 Calvin in the regionals with a score of 99-36. Johnson Bayou High School ends the season at 19-15.



MRS. BARBARA LABOVE'S Hackberry LA 4 and Preschool students had a parade in Mrs. Debbie Augustine's Kindergarten class with Mardi Gras float boxes, beads, and candy.

# Grand Chenier Library announces its programs

Grand Chenier Library announces their schedule as follows:

"Crossword Daze", 10 a.m. daily.

"After School Club & Chess Your Luck", Web Surfing, Research, Chess Strategies, Practice Chess Matches, Thursday, Feb. 21, 4 p.m.

Friday, Feb 22, "LA Spirit Hurricane Recovery Team" Arts & Crafts, 1-3 p.m., "Story Time", 3 p.m.

Monday, Feb 25, "Fitness Program", Low impact walking program, 2 p.m., "Movie time for Adults", 3 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb 26, "Fitness Program", Low impact walking program 2 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb 27, "Fitness Program", Low impact walking program, 2 p.m., "Movie time for Adults", 3 p.m.

Thursday, Feb 28, "After School Club & Chess Your Luck", Web Surfing, Research, Chess Strategies, Practice Chess Matches, 4 p.m.

Friday, Feb 29, "LA Spirit Hurricane Recovery Team", Arts & Crafts, 1-3 p.m., "Story Time" 3 p.m.

## CELL PHONE RECYCLING PROGRAM

It's free and convenient to turn in your used cell phone. Phones can be any condition or brand and do not need to have batteries. Please use your local library as a drop-off for your used cell phones and ask for them to be sent to the Grand Chenier Branch. "Our Mission" is to "Help Our Troops Call Home".

For more information call 538-2214.

# Four tax elections to be voted on here March 8

Residents of four special districts in Cameron Parish will vote on four separate tax millages in an election on Saturday, March 8. Only voters in those district will be voting.

The four tax propositions are as follows:

\*Shall Waterworks District No. Ten of the Parish of Cameron, be authorized to levy a tax of four (4.00) mills on the dollar of assessed valuation on all property subject to taxation in said district (an estimated \$208,000 reasonably expected to be collected from the levy of this tax per annum) for a period of ten (10) years, commencing with the year 2008, for the purpose of operating and maintaining said District's water systems within and for said District?

\*Shall Fire Protection District No. Seven of the Parish of Cameron, be authorized to levy a tax of four and twelve hundredths (4.12) mills on the dollar of assessed valuation on all property subject to taxation in said district (an estimated \$35,000 reasonably expected to be collected from the levy of this tax per annum) for a period of ten (10) years, commencing with the year 2008, for the purpose of operating and maintaining said District's fire protection facilities and equipment within and for said District?

\*Shall Hackberry Recreation District of the Parish of Cameron, be authorized to levy a tax of two and fifty two hundredths (2.52) mills on the dollar of assessed valuation on all property subject to taxation in said district (an estimated \$55,000 reasonably expected to be collected from the levy of this tax per annum) for a period of ten (10) years, commencing with the year 2008,

for the purpose of operating and maintaining said District's recreation/multi-purpose facilities within and for said District?

\*Shall the Lower Cameron Ambulance Service District of Cameron Parish, Louisiana, be authorized to levy a tax of four and forty four hundredths (4.44) mills on the dollar of assessed valuation on all property subject to taxation in said District (an estimated \$357,000 reasonably expected to be collected from the levy of this tax per annum) for a period of ten (10) years, commencing with the year 2008, for the purpose of providing ambulance service within and for said District?

Waterworks District 10 includes the Johnson Bayou-Holly Beach areas.

Fire Protection District 7 includes all of the Creole area and part of the Little Chenier and Grand Lake area.

Hackberry Recreation District includes all of the Hackberry area.

Lower Cameron Ambulance District includes the area south of Gibbstown and east of the Calcasieu River, including Cameron, Creole and Grand Chenier. (Johnson Bayou, Holly Beach, Hackberry and Grand Lake are not included.)

## EARLY VOTING

Early voting for the March 8, election will be at the Registrar of Voters office, 122-F Recreation Ln. behind courthouse.

Early voting will be from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. starting Saturday, Feb. 23, and the week of Monday, Feb. 25, through Saturday, Mar. 1. Please remember when you go vote you must have a picture ID with you.

# Sheriff's Report

The following arrests were made by the Cameron Sheriff's Dept. Feb. 12-19:

Brandon Lee Pitt, 24, 1408 Lyons St., Vinton; Oral Sexual Battery, Felony Carnal Knowledge, Contributing to Delinquency of Juveniles.

Corey Ellis Berwick, 28, 122 Eve Lane, Hackberry; Dist. the Peace by Fighting.

Mackenzie Ann Berwick, 30, 122 Eve Lane, Hackberry; Dist. the Peace by Fighting.

Wilbert Emery III, 36, Lafayette, Probation Violation.

Francisco Marroyoqui, 36, 445 Marshall St., Cameron; Public Intoxication.

Marques Trermaine Lee, 26, 1900 Prejean Drive, Lake Charles; Driving Under Suspension.

Dewey Ray Vowell, 40, 986 Waynewood Dr. Lake Charles; Cameron Bench Warrant, Warrant from Other Parish.

Benjamin A. Lambert, 22, 1528 Stafford Rd, Lake Charles; Dist. the Peace by Fighting.

William Lynn Hutchison, 39, P.O. Box 531, Hackberry; Public Intoxication.

Gurtis Rod Moosebroker, 25, Hot Springs, Ark.; Possession of a Legend Drug, Possession of CDS Schedule III, Possession of CDS Schedule IV.

Jody L. Trahan, 38, 126 Ellen St., Cameron; Remaining After Forbidden, Public Intoxication.

Barbara L. Kibodeaux, 51, 222 Channel Drive, Hackberry, Phone Harassment.

# Cameron State Bank now offering a new service

For many people, stopping by their bank to cash or deposit a check is something they don't think twice about doing. But for millions of people in the U.S. without a bank account, cashing a check can be a costly challenge.

Cameron State Bank now offers Community Check Cashing to help the "unbanked" population in Southwest Louisiana. Roy Raftery, Jr., President and CEO, says the service was created to provide a more affordable check cashing option for those people without a regular or local bank.

"As a community bank, we want to provide services to as many people as possible, and we realize there are some people in our community who, for different reasons, may not be a traditional banking customer. In addition, as recovery continues from Hurricane Rita and our region continues to grow, we are seeing more and more temporary workers in our area. We are happy to support progress in the community by providing a place for these workers to cash their payroll checks."

Community Check Cashing can be used for payroll, government or tax refund checks and is available inside all Cameron

State Bank banking centers. A brief, secure enrollment process is required for anyone wishing to use the service. Leslie Harless, Vice President of Marketing and Product Development for the bank, explains that this enrollment process takes a little over one minute, and all that is needed is picture ID, social security number and thumbprint for security. "Once a person is enrolled, they can use the service at any of our locations."

From now through April 16, Community Check Cashing is being offered free of charge. After that date, a 1.5% fee will apply. The maximum check amount that can be processed with the service is \$4000. Three free money orders are available every time the service is used.

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GRAND LAKE'S Liz Kingham, #13, is pictured with one of her ten rebounds against Zwolle Monday night. She ended the night with a triple double - ten rebounds, ten points and ten assists and two blocked shots. Kat Kingham, #15, added 24 points, making eight of ten foul shots, ten rebounds and six blocked shots. Amber Trahan, #44, chipped in seven points, while Sonya Lavergne, #10, and LaRayne Picou, #12, added five and four points. This was the second playoff win with a final score of 50 - 33. Grand Lake is now ranked #6 in Louisiana Class B and will play #3 ranked Florien Thursday night at Florien in the quarterfinals. (Photo by Ron Gilbert.)



SHOWN ABOVE in the Grand Lake - Dobson game last Thursday were Amber Trahan, #44, LaRayne Picou, #12, Liz Kingham, #13, Kat Kingham, #15, and Sonya Lavergne, #10. Liz Kingham scored 17 points, ten rebounds, and seven assists. Sonya Lavergne and Tasha Fontenot added 16 points each while Kat Kingham dished 14 points, 14 rebounds and five blocked shots. Amber Trahan rounded out the top scorers with 12 points and eight rebounds. Grand Lake won with a final score of 77 - 68. None of these girls were even born the last time Grand Lake Girls won a playoff game 19 years ago. (Photo by Ron Gilbert.)



THE GRAND LAKE Lady Hornets will play No. 3 state-ranked Lady Cats at Florien in the state quarterfinals. The above photo was taken Monday night in the Grand Lake - Zwolle game which the Grand Lake girls won 34 - 9 at the Bell City High School gym. Fans are shown cheering the Lady Hornets after the win. (Photo by Tracy Lannin.)

## Cameron Outdoors

By LOSTON MCEVERS



**IS WINTER OVER**  
This is the time of the year where the days are getting longer, but also when we see the strong southerly winds, cold fronts, lightning, hail, strong inline damaging winds and tornado warnings. This is not the time to be out on the water in a boat.

Some of our local anglers who had entered a Sam Rayburn tournament last Saturday, decided it wasn't worth the gamble and didn't even make the drive.

Old Phil saw his shadow on Groundhog Day, so Boudreaux "D" Nutria surely saw his shadow, now was that six more weeks of winter? The first day of spring is March 20, so we could see more cold weather. Daylight Savings Time will come back to us on Sunday, March 9, only 2 1/2 weeks to away.

cold weather, our waters should start to warm up and come early March, largemouth bass begin nesting and spawn two weeks or so later. White perch schools begin breaking up about that time, however the white bass begin spawning in early March.

**NEWS BRIEF**  
The only reports I got this week on fishing, is Big Lake/ Calcasieu Lake are still producing redfish on the south-east end and still catching speckle trout, weather permitting. Lots more anglers setting trout lines for catfish on the Intracoastal Canal, but fishing cuts and catching catfish and a few bass.

I can remember in my younger days, brought up in Grand Chenier, when several folks killed armadillos, cleaned them and fried them like chicken. Now they tell you if your willing to take a chance, as they carry a pathogen,



GRAND LAKE'S Brett Griffith, #23, is shown stuffing the ball for two points on a fast break. He ended the night with 36 points and ten rebounds. Sam Johnston and Garrett Billiot follow up with ten and nine points. This was a scrimmage with Lake Arthur to prepare for the upcoming playoffs. The final was 68 - 90 Lake Arthur. (Photo by Ron Gilbert.)

which is responsible for leprosy, you take the risk. Don't forget to take a kid fishing!

## Horse show to be held in Gonzales

The Louisiana Equine Council (LEC) will hold their 2nd Annual Horse Expo on March 8-9, at the Lamar-Dixon Expo Center in Gonzales.

The Expo will include a trade show, clinics, education sessions and competitions. Ranked 5th in the nation, the horse industry is a \$2.45 billion business for Louisiana. The people of Southwest Louisiana which makes up District 4, comprising Calcasieu, Cameron, Allen, Beauregard and Jeff Davis, are encouraged to attend the Expo.

The Expo is held to showcase and introduce many different breeds and disciplines to the citizens of Louisiana. There is something for all equine enthusiasts to enjoy and learn. Admission to the event is \$5 a day for non-LEC members.

For more information about schedule of events and booth reservations, please call Ruby Halter at 234-8652 or visit <http://www.laequinecouncil.com/expo2008.html>.

The Louisiana Equine Council (LEC) is a non-profit

## Hackberry story hour

Hackberry Library Story Time schedule is as follows:  
Story Time is for grades K-5 and is held on Wednesdays from 4:30-5:50 p.m.

Dates for the upcoming story times are: Feb. 27, March 5, 12, 19, and 26.  
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# History of Sacred Heart Catholic Church concluded

(EDITOR'S NOTE -- The following is a continuation of the history of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Creole. It was written by veteran newsmen Truman Stacy and is included on the Diocese of Lake Charles website.)

pered and the population increased. In 1955 and 1958, respectively, the parishes of St. Peter the Apostle and Our Lady Star of the Sea were set up in Hackberry and Cameron.

## ST. EUGENE PARISH

In 1961, St. Eugene Parish in Grand Chenier was established, and Sacred Heart Parish was reduced to its present boundaries.

No history of the Catholic Church in Cameron Civil Parish would be complete without some mention of the part the weather plays in the affairs of men.

Hurricanes have devastated the area on more than one occasion. In September of 1865 hurricane winds and a storm tide of vast proportions inundated the coastline from the mouth of the Mermentau River west to the Sabine.

On Oct. 11-12, 1886, another storm struck the area, destroying the towns of Johnson Bayou and Sabine Pass. More than 50 died in Johnson Bayou.

In August of 1918 another hurricane of extreme intensity struck the area. The Calcasieu River steamer, Borealis Rex, was sunk, and 34 killed. The hurricane winds leveled or damaged every church building in the civil parish.

In June of 1957, of course, the deadliest of all storms blew up out of the Gulf of Mexico. It surged over the coastline with winds of 150 miles an hour. A storm tide as high as 12 feet, with added waves and swells rolling even higher. All of Cameron Parish was stricken, and the town of Creole virtually wiped out. The storm continued north through the Ohio Valley and New York State into Canada. The death toll rose to over 500, four of those occurring in Canada.

In October 1902, Father Cramers departed Creole to take up the larger task of the pastorate of Immaculate Conception Parish in Lake Charles, where he would remain for 33 years.

Father Cramers was followed by nine pastors, all of whom served but a few years. Then, in 1930, the Rev. Francis I. Bischof arrived. He was to labor for 15 years, and earned the affectionate title of "The Missionary of the Marshes." He earned a place in the hearts of his parishioners by his tireless work, preaching, instructing and administering the Sacraments to his widely scattered flock, located not only in Creole, but also Cow Island, Grand Chenier, Little Chenier, Big Lake, Chenier Perdue, Murria, Leesburg and Johnson Bayou.

Throughout his 15 years of service he struggled to maintain the facilities in all of these locations.

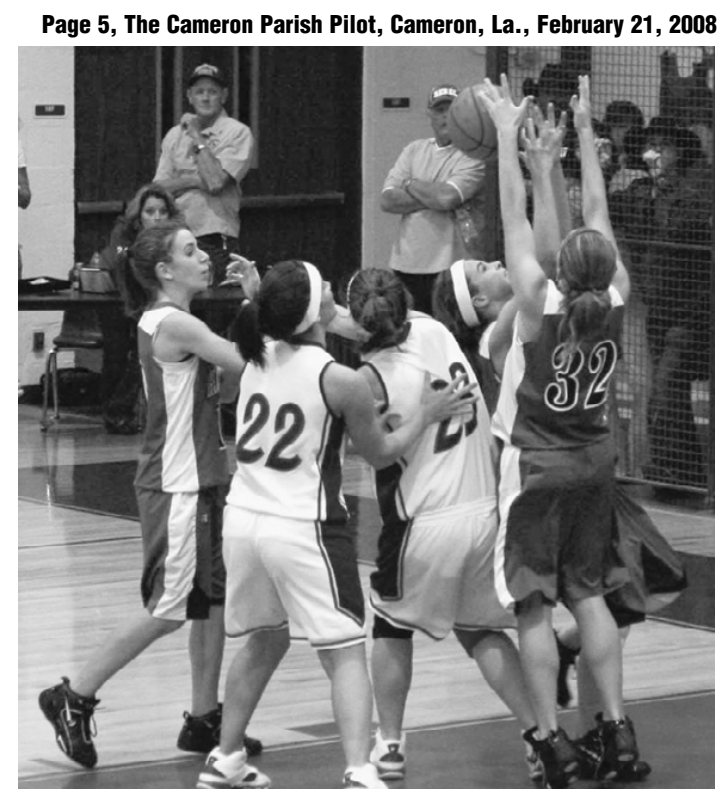
His chores were lightened somewhat in 1938 when the missions of Grand Lake and Sweetlake became the newly established Parish of St. Mary of the Lake, with a resident pastor.

Time and his arduous labors had taken their toll on Father Bischof, however, and his health began to suffer. In 1945 he turned the duties of pastor over to the Rev. Theo Hassink, who remained until 1948, when the reins of the parish were taken over by the Missionaries of LaSalette.

During the post-war years Cameron Civil Parish pros-



THE JOHNSON BAYOU Lady Rebels and the Hackberry Lady Mustangs competed in a district playoff game Thursday, Feb. 14. The Lady Rebels won 49 - 34 in the first-ever playoff game held in Johnson Bayou. (Photos by Juanita Sandifer.)



After each of those devastations, church buildings had to be rebuilt and furnishings replaced. The costs in property and livestock have never been accurately calculated.

In 1968 the Missionaries of LaSalette were forced to give up Sacred Heart Parish, and it was returned to the Diocese of Lafayette.

## MSGR. M. J. BERNARD

The Rev. Frederick J. Webert served as pastor for four years until he was replaced by the pastor who was destined to serve longer than any other -- Msgr. M. J. Bernard.

Msgr. Bernard, who had been the Catholic Chaplain at McNeese State University took up the reins in Creole on March 16, 1972, and served until June 30, 1997.

During his long pastorate Msgr. Bernard superintended the virtual rebuilding of the parish. He introduced scripture study, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), promoted French retreats for the elderly, youth retreats, married couples retreats, and set up workshop and seminars for religious education teachers. A new organ and new windows were installed in the church. The parish office and rectory were expanded, and a new mausoleum was dedicated.

The 100th anniversary of the parish in 1990 was celebrated with enthusiasm and confidence in the future. As the parish celebrates its 110th birthday in this year 2000, parishioners can look back on a colorful and eventful history that few can match.

## FATHER MCGRATH

The Rev. Joseph McGrath, current pastor, has continued programs in place, and added a few. A monthly First Friday Mass is now in place, and a parish Legion of Mary group has been formed.

The expansion of the Parish Life Center, whereby the hall will be doubled in size and four new classrooms will be added, is nearly complete.

Father McGrath teaches at all religion sessions, stu-

dents at which number 242, and directs the RCIA process.

Leaders of other organizations assisting the parish are Knights of Columbus 3014 and Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court 1463.

Other parish organizations include the Junior CDA, which serves as weekend sacristans, 31 altar servers, and a number of Lay Ministers of Communion.

The Ladies Altar Society sponsors a Tuesday afternoon Mass at South Cameron Hospital and the parish has an active chapter of the Legion of Mary.

Father McGrath, a native of Westlake, was ordained May 25, 1985, and held assignments at Our Lady Queen of Heaven Parish in Lake Charles, Our Lady of Seven Dolors Parish in Welsh, and St. Joan of Arc in Oberlin before his current assignment.

During its long history

Sacred Heart Parish has been ministered to by 23 pastors.

They are, with the date of their assignment: 1890 - Rev. John Engberink, 1895 - Rev. William J. Teurlings, 1899 - Rev. Theophile Stenmans, 1899 - Rev. Joseph Drolet, 1899 - Rev. Hubert Cramers, 1902 - Rev. Joseph S. Schmitt, 1902 - Rev. P. C. Cambiare, 1907 - Rev. John H. Hoes, 1913 - Rev. J. M. Heil, 1914 - Rev. P. J. Buissink.

1919 - Rev. Odilon Brise, 1921 - Rev. Achile Rousseau, 1922 - Rev. Louis Perronet, 1927 - Rev. Cornelius J. van Merrienboer, 1930 - Rev. Francis I. Bischof, 1945 - Rev. Theo Hassink, 1948 - Rev. Emil Chartier, MS, 1953 - Rev. Alvarez Gilbert, MS, 1960 - Rev. Joseph Decoteau, MS, 1962 - Rev. Anthony Bruzas, MS, 1968 - Rev. Frederick J. Webert, 1972 - Msgr. M. J. Bernard and 1997 - Rev. Joseph McGrath.

## Softball Scores

St. Louis 6, South Cameron 1 - Kimily Bourriaque and Haley McCall were on the mound in the Lady Tarpons season opener. Top hitters were Rachael Fountain, 1-3 with a double; Haley McCall, 2-3; and Whitney Richard, 1-3 with a double.

## Johnson Bayou Library events

Johnson Bayou Library's schedule for February is as follows:

Friday, Feb. 22 Storytime 11-12 p.m. Pre-K - 4th grade, Movie time 1:30-3:30 p.m. 5th grade and up

Friday, Feb. 29 Storytime 11 a.m. -12 p.m. Pre-K - 4th grade, Movie time 1:30-3:30 p.m. 5th grade and up.

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# LEGAL NOTICES

**"EXHIBIT A"  
NOTICE OF SPECIAL  
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Pursuant to the provisions of resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Lower Cameron Ambulance Service District, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, the governing authority of the District, on November 13, 2007, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held in Lower Cameron Ambulance Service District, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, on Saturday, March 8, 2008, and that at said election there will be submitted to all registered voters of said District qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana and the United States, the following Proposition, to-wit:

**PROPOSITION**  
**SUMMARY:** AUTHORITY FOR LOWER CAMERON AMBULANCE SERVICE DISTRICT, CAMERON PARISH, LOUISIANA, TO COLLECT, FOR 10 YEARS, A TAX OF 4.44 MILLS PER ANNUM ON ALL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION IN SAID DISTRICT (AN ESTIMATED \$357,000 REASONABLY EXPECTED TO BE COLLECTED FROM THE LEVY OF THIS TAX PER ANNUM) FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING AMBULANCE SERVICE, WITHIN AND FOR SAID DISTRICT?

Shall Lower Cameron Ambulance Service District of the Parish of Cameron, Louisiana, be authorized to levy a tax of four and forty four hundredths (4.44) mills on the dollar of assessed valuation on all property subject to taxation in said District (an estimated \$357,000 reasonably expected to be collected from the levy of this tax per annum) for a period of ten (10) years, commencing with the year 2008, for the purpose of providing ambulance service 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 Lower Cameron Ambulance Service District, 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):

**PRECINCT 2 ALL, CAMERON PARISH OFFICE OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS CAMERON, LOUISIANA**  
**PRECINCT 17 PORTION, GRAND CHENIER LIBRARY GRAND CHENIER, LOUISIANA**  
**PRECINCT 12 PORTION, MURIA FIRE STATION CREOLE, LOUISIANA**  
**PRECINCT 13 PORTION, CREOLE FIRE STATION CREOLE, LOUISIANA**

**PRECINCT 14 ALL, CAMERON PARISH OFFICE OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS CAMERON, LOUISIANA**  
**PRECINCT 15 ALL, CAMERON PARISH OFFICE OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS CAMERON, LOUISIANA**

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 Lower Cameron Ambulance Service District, 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 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 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 Lower Cameron Ambulance Service District, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, the governing authority of said District, will meet at its regular meeting place, the Lower Cameron Ambulance Service District's Office Building, Creole, Louisiana, on Wednesday the 19th day of March, 2008, at 4:00 P.M., 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 Lower Cameron Ambulance Service District, Cameron Parish, Louisiana are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used in the conduct of the election.

THIS DONE AND SIGNED on this, 13th day of November, 2007.

APPROVED:  
/s/ Phyllis Pinch

**PHYLLIS PINCH,  
PRESIDENT  
LOWER CAMERON  
AMBULANCE SERVICE  
DISTRICT**

ATTEST:  
/s/ Christine Mooney  
CHRISTINE MOONEY,  
SECRETARY  
Runs: Jan. 24, 31 Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28, Mar. 6 (J 34)

**"EXHIBIT A"  
NOTICE OF SPECIAL  
ELECTION**

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Hackberry Recreation District, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, the governing authority of the District, on December 3, 2007, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held in Hackberry Recreation District, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, on Saturday, March 8, 2008, 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 United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

**PROPOSITION**  
**SUMMARY:** AUTHORITY FOR HACKBERRY RECREATION DISTRICT TO COLLECT, FOR 10 YEARS, A TAX OF TWO AND FIFTY TWO HUNDREDTHS PER ANNUM ON ALL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION IN SAID DISTRICT (AN ESTIMATED \$55,000 REASONABLY EXPECTED TO BE COLLECTED FROM THE LEVY OF THIS TAX PER ANNUM) FOR THE PURPOSE OF OPERATING AND MAINTAINING SAID DISTRICT'S RECREATION/MULTIPURPOSE FACILITIES WITHIN AND FOR SAID DISTRICT?

Shall Hackberry Recreation District of the Parish of Cameron, be authorized to levy a tax of two and fifty two hundredths (2.52) mills on the dollar of assessed valuation on all property subject to taxation in said District (an estimated \$55,000 reasonably expected to be collected from the levy of this tax per annum) for a period of ten (10) years, commencing with the year 2008, for the purpose of operating and maintaining said District's recreation/multipurpose facilities 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 Johnson Bayou Recreation District, 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):

**PRECINCT 3 ALL, HACKBERRY COMMUNITY CENTER HACKBERRY, LOUISIANA**  
**PRECINCT 4 ALL, HACKBERRY COMMUNITY CENTER HACKBERRY, LOUISIANA**

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 Hackberry Recreation District, 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 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 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 Hackberry Recreation District, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, the governing authority of said District, will meet at its regular meeting place, the Hackberry Recreation District Recreation Center, Hackberry, Louisiana, on Monday, the 10th day of March, 2008, at 6:00 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 Hackberry Recreation District, Cameron Parish, Louisiana are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used in the conduct of the election.

THIS DONE AND SIGNED on this, the 3rd day of December, 2007.

APPROVED:  
/s/ Kenny Welch  
KENNY WELCH,  
VICE PRESIDENT  
HACKBERRY RECREATION  
DISTRICT

ATTEST:  
/s/ Dwayne Sanner  
DWAYNE SANNER,  
SECRETARY  
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**"EXHIBIT A"  
NOTICE OF SPECIAL  
ELECTION**

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Waterworks District No. Ten, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, the governing authority of the District, on November 30, 2007, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held in Waterworks District No. Ten, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, on Saturday, March 8, 2008, 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 United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

**PROPOSITION**  
**SUMMARY:** AUTHORITY FOR WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. TEN TO COLLECT, FOR 10 YEARS, A TAX OF FOUR MILLS PER ANNUM ON ALL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION IN SAID DISTRICT (AN ESTIMATED \$208,000 REASONABLY EXPECTED TO BE COLLECTED FROM THE LEVY OF THIS TAX PER ANNUM) FOR THE PURPOSE OF OPERATING AND MAINTAINING SAID DISTRICT'S WATER SYSTEMS WITHIN AND FOR SAID DISTRICT?

Shall Waterworks District No. Ten of the Parish of Cameron, be authorized to levy a tax of four (4.00) mills on the dollar of assessed valuation on all property subject to taxation in said District (an estimated \$208,000 reasonably expected to be collected from the levy of this tax per annum) for a period of ten (10) years, commencing with the year 2008, for the purpose of operating and maintaining said District's water systems 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 Waterworks District No. Ten, 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):

**PRECINCT 1 ALL, JOHNSON BAYOU RECREATION CENTER JOHNSON BAYOU, LOUISIANA**  
**PRECINCT 4 PORTION, HACKBERRY COMMUNITY CENTER HACKBERRY, LOUISIANA**

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 Waterworks District No. Ten, 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 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 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 Waterworks District No. Ten, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, the governing authority of said District, will meet at its regular meeting place, the Cameron Parish Gravity Drainage #7 Office, Johnson Bayou, Louisiana, on Tuesday, the 18th day of March, 2008, at 6:00 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 Waterworks District No. Ten, Cameron Parish, Louisiana are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used in the conduct of the election.

THIS DONE AND SIGNED on this, the 30th day of November, 2007.

Approved:  
/s/ Nathan Griffith  
NATHAN GRIFFITH,  
PRESIDENT  
WATERWORKS  
DISTRICT NO. TEN

ATTEST:  
/s/ Connie Trahan  
CONNIE TRAHAN,  
SECRETARY  
Runs: Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28, Mar. 6 (J 36)

**"EXHIBIT A"  
NOTICE OF SPECIAL  
ELECTION**

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Cameron Parish Police Jury, the governing authority of Fire Protection District No. Seven,

Cameron Louisiana, on December 3, 2007. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held in Fire Protection District No. Seven, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, on Saturday, March 8, 2008, 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 United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

**PROPOSITION**  
**SUMMARY:** AUTHORITY FOR FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. SEVEN TO COLLECT, FOR 10 YEARS, A TAX OF FOUR AND TWELVE HUNDREDTHS MILLS PER ANNUM ON ALL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION IN SAID DISTRICT (AN ESTIMATED \$35,000 REASONABLY EXPECTED TO BE COLLECTED FROM THE LEVY OF THIS TAX PER ANNUM) FOR THE PURPOSE OF OPERATING AND MAINTAINING SAID DISTRICT'S FIRE PROTECTION FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT WITHIN AND FOR SAID DISTRICT?

Shall Fire Protection District No. Seven of the Parish of Cameron, be authorized to levy a tax of four and twelve hundredths (4.12) mills on the dollar of assessed valuation on all property subject to taxation in said District (an estimated \$35,000 reasonably expected to be collected from the levy of this tax per annum) for a period of ten (10) years, commencing with the year 2008, for the purpose of operating and maintaining said District's fire protection facilities and equipment 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 Fire Protection District No. Seven, 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):

**PRECINCT 13 ALL, CREOLE FIRE STATION CREOLE, LOUISIANA**  
**PRECINCT 16 PORTION, GRAND LAKE RECREATION CENTER GRAND LAKE, LOUISIANA**

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 Cameron Parish Police Jury, the governing authority of said District.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Police Jury, the governing authority of Fire Protection District No. Seven will meet at its regular meeting place, the Cameron Parish Courthouse, Cameron, Louisiana, on Monday, the 7th day of April, 2008, 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 Fire Protection District No. Seven, Cameron Parish, Louisiana are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used in the conduct of the election.

THIS DONE AND SIGNED on this, the 3rd day of December, 2007.

APPROVED:  
/s/ Darryl Farque  
DARRYL FARQUE  
PRESIDENT  
CAMERON PARISH  
POLICE JURY

ATTEST:  
/s/ Bonnie W. Conner  
BONNIE W. CONNER,  
SECRETARY  
Runs: Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28, Mar. 6, (J 38)

**REQUEST FOR  
QUALIFICATIONS:  
A/E FIRM**

The Jefferson Davis Electric Cooperative Customer Service Center and Operations facility located in Cameron, La. at 873 Marshall St. was completely demolished when Hurricane Rita came ashore on September 24, 2005. The Board of Directors has decided to rebuild the entire facility at the same location. All aspects of the new facility shall meet current codes and standards, which means some of the structures will be elevated. These elevated structures will have an elevator, several stairways and ramps.

**Scope of Services:**  
It will be the responsibility of the selected team to provide professional services for the demolition of the remaining structures, and the design and construction of the new state-of-the-art facility.

**Scope of Work:**  
**Office/Warehouse:**  
a. Demolish and replace Office/Warehouse in kind with a masonry structure, and elevate the lowest structural floor member above flood level in accordance with Codes and Standards.  
b. The structure will be elevated using driven concrete pilings.  
c. An elevator, stairway and a concrete ramp will be provided for access to the elevated building.

**Truck Shed:**  
a. Replace Truck Shed in kind with a pre-engineered steel building on a slab.  
**Storage/Equipment Shed**  
a. Replace and elevate the Storage/Equipment Shed above flood level in accordance with Codes and Standards.  
b. The replacement will be a pre-engineered metal-framed building.  
c. The elevated slab provided will also be used to elevate a "Used Transformer" shed and 2-2000 gallon fuel tanks and their containment enclosures.  
d. The structure will be elevated using driven concrete pilings.  
e. A steel stairway and a concrete ramp will be provided.

**Fencing:**  
a. Replace in kind, 1224 of 7' high galvanized chain link fencing topped with 3 strands of barbed wire and associated automatic gate and controls.  
All structures and utilities shall be designed to meet pending Hurricane Mitigation Guidelines as well as other relevant safety and security guidelines.  
The experience of the design team in this post-Rita construction environment is critical.  
A committee appointed by the General Manager, including the General Manager, will undertake the evaluation of the qualifications presented. It is the charge of this committee to make a recommendation to the overall Board for final approval.  
Failure to provide the requested data could result in a firm being considered less qualified. The A/E firms will be evaluated by the following selection criteria:

1. List firm's experience in the design of elevated concrete structures.  
2. List the number of projects the design firm has executed in the past 10 years with the construction value greater than 1 million dollars.  
3. Explain the firm's experience relative to post Rita design in southwest Louisiana.  
4. List the number of projects completed within the last 10 years that were associated with FEMA.

**All responses should be sent no later than March 10, 2008 to:**  
Jefferson Davis Electric Cooperative, Inc.  
Dwayne Gary  
P.O. Drawer 1229  
Jennings, La. 70546

Any questions should be addressed to:  
Dwayne Gary, Project Manager  
337-824-4330  
marksafe@bellsouth.net  
Run: Jan. 31, Feb. 7, 14, & 21 (J 71)

**INVITATION FOR BIDS**  
Sealed bids will be received until 4:00 p.m. local time, Thursday, February 28, 2008 in the office of Cameron Parish Ambulance District 2, P. O. Box 310, 979 Main Street, Hackberry, Louisiana, 70645, (337) 762-3711, For providing Four (4) emergency ambulances.  
A complete assembly of the bid invitation with specifications may be obtained by contacting the district director at the address shown above.  
Run: Jan. 31, Feb. 7, 14 & 21 (J 72)

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**  
The Cameron Parish Sheriff Dept. will be receiving bids on a Video Camera System for 18 patrol units capable of recording to DVD, call Ron Johnson at (337) 775-5111 for specifications.  
Mail sealed bids to Theos Duhon, Cameron Parish Sheriff Department, P. O. Box 1250 Cameron, LA. 70631. Bids will be opened on Thursday, February 28th 2008 at 1:00 p.m. at Cameron Parish Courthouse.  
The Sheriff's Department reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids in the best interest of Cameron Parish and Cameron Parish Sheriff's Department.  
Run: Feb. 7, 14 & 21 (F 2)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**(NOTICE OF INTENTION TO INTRODUCE LOCAL BILL - HLS 08RS-103)**  
Public notice is hereby given, as provided by Section 13, Article III of the Constitution of Louisiana, that there will be introduced at the forthcoming session of the Legislature of Louisiana, to be convened on March 31, 2008, a bill relative to providing for the payment of certain insurance premiums for certain retired assessors and their employees; and to provide for related matters.  
Run: Feb. 14 & 21 (F 9)

**NOTICE FOR BIDS**  
The CAMERON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD will receive sealed bids until the hour of 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 5, 2008, for furnishing paper goods to the schools of CAMERON PARISH during the 2008-2009 school session and any summer program during the summer of 2009.  
A bid form, list of specifications, and bid procedures may be obtained from the Purchasing Department of the CAMERON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE, P.O. Box 1548, Cameron, La. 70631 (Physical location 1027 Hwy 384 Grand Lake, Lake Charles, La. 70607).  
All bids should be marked on envelope "BID ON PAPER GOODS, 2008-2009". Bid price

**NOTICE FOR BIDS**  
The CAMERON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD will receive sealed bids until the hour of 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 5, 2008, for the furnishing of non food supplies for school food service schools of CAMERON PARISH during the 2008-2009 school session.  
Detailed bid list and specification sheet may be obtained from the Cameron Parish School Board, Cameron, Louisiana.  
Bid price on all items should be the delivery price to the Cameron Parish School Board Office. All bids must be submitted on or before the above date and time. Envelopes should be marked "BID ON SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE NON-FOOD SUPPLIES".  
The School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids submitted.  
CAMERON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD  
/s/ Stephanie Rodrigue  
STEPHANIE RODRIGUE,  
SUPERINTENDENT  
RUN: Feb. 14 & 21 (F 16)

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**  
Sealed proposals for the construction of the following project will be received by the Cameron Parish Water and Wastewater District #1 until 2:00 p.m. on 28 February 2008 at the Water Wastewater District #1 office, 126 Ann St., Cameron, LA. 70631. (337-775-5660).  
**Project Number: 2008-01**  
**Proposed Water Well No. 3A and P & A of Existing Well No. 7.**  
The rules and regulations for the State Licensing Board for contractors will apply; the project being classified as:  
**IV Municipal and Public Works 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 #1.  
Full information and proposal forms are available at the office of Lonnie G. Harper & Associates, Inc., 2746 Louisiana Hwy 384, Bell City, LA 70630, (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 Police Jury meeting. The Cameron Parish Police Jury reserves the right to reject any or all the proposals and to waive formalities. Water Wastewater District #1 /s/ J. C. Murphy, President  
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must be delivery price to the Warehouse at 2421-D Hwy 14, Lake Charles, La. 70601

The CAMERON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD reserves the right to refuse or cancel any price quotation based on the quality of goods, availability of products and/or services rendered.  
CAMERON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

By: /s/ Stephanie D. Rodrigue  
STEPHANIE D. RODRIGUE,  
SUPERINTENDENT  
Run: Feb. 14 & 21 (F 15)

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Run: Jan. 31, Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28 (F 20)

**BID NOTICE**  
The CAMERON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD will receive BIDS FOR JANITORIAL SUPPLIES for the use in schools in Cameron Parish during the 2008-2009 session and any summer program during the summer of 2009 at 11:00 a.m. in the Cameron Parish School Board Office on Wednesday, March 5, 2008.  
A bid form, list of specifications, and bid procedures may be obtained from the Purchasing Department of the CAMERON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE, P.O. Box 1548, Cameron, LA 70631 (Physical Location 1027Hwy 384 Grand Lake, Lake Charles, La. 70607).  
All BIDS must be submitted on or before the scheduled time and date. Envelopes should be clearly marked, "BID FOR JANITORIAL SUPPLIES 2008-2009".  
The CAMERON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD RESERVES the right to refuse or cancel any price quotation based on the quality of goods, availability of products and/or services rendered.  
CAMERON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

By: /s/ Stephanie Rodrigue  
STEPHANIE RODRIGUE,  
SUPERINTENDENT  
Run: Feb. 14 & 21 (F 21)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Notice is hereby given that M&C Oilfield Services, LLC has applied for a permit to dredge waterbottoms, place spoil and fill material & to install and maintain a bulkhead, access roads, and crane pads for improvements of a barge floating facility, off LA Hwy. 27/82 in Cameron, Louisiana in Cameron Parish. The applicant is applying to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Environmental Services for a Water Quality Certification in accordance with statutory authority contained in the LAC 33:IX.1507.A-E and provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act.  
Comments concerning this application can be filed with the Registrations and Certifications Section within ten days of this notice by referencing JP 08020/AI 155851 to the following address:  
Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality  
Registrations and Certifications Section  
P.O. Box 4313  
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4313  
Attn: Water Quality  
Certifications  
225-219-3469  
A copy of the application is available for inspection and

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review at the LDEQ Public Records Center, on the first floor of the Galvez Building, Room 127 at 602 North Fifth, Street Baton Rouge, LA 70802 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Run: Feb. 21 (F 25)

**NOTICE**

The Johnson Bayou Recreation Center will be having their monthly Board Meeting on Thursday, February 21, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be held on the recreation center grounds in the temporary trailer located at 135 Berwick Road, Johnson Bayou, La. 70631.  
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**PROCEEDINGS**

Cameron Parish Public Library Board of Control  
January 21, 2008  
President Cyndi Sellers called the Cameron Parish Public Library Board of Control meeting to order on Monday, January 21, 2008 at the Grand Lake Library at 4:30 p.m. The following members were present: Kenny Trahan, Gail Delcambre, Wanita Harrison and Cyndi Sellers. Absent were: John Calzada, Stephanie Rogers and Magnus McGee, Police Jury ex-officio member.  
Gail Delcambre led the prayer and Kenny Trahan led the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Mrs. Sellers opened the floor for nominations for President. Mrs. Delcambre nominated Mrs. Sellers for President. Mr. Trahan seconded the nomination. There being no other nominations, Mrs. Sellers was elected president for 2008 by acclamation.  
Mrs. Sellers opened the floor for nominations for Vice-President. Mrs. Harrison nominated Mr. Calzada for Vice-President, seconded by Mr. Trahan. There being no other nominations, Mr. Calzada was elected Vice-President for 2008 by acclamation.  
On the motion of Mrs. Delcambre, seconded by Mr. Trahan and carried the board unanimously voted to reappoint Mrs. Troclair secretary for the board of control.  
On the motion of Mrs. Delcambre, seconded by Mrs. Harrison and carried the board unanimously voted to amend the agenda to add (C.) pay schedule for lawn maintenance, (D.) time of meetings, (E) Satellite for Lowry Library and (F) Johnson Bayou Location.  
On the motion of Mrs. Delcambre, seconded by Mrs. Harrison and carried the board unanimously voted to accept the December 17, 2007 minutes.  
On the motion of Mr. Trahan, seconded by Mrs. Delcambre and carried the board unanimously voted to table the financial report until the next meeting.  
On the motion of Mrs. Delcambre, seconded by Mr. Trahan and carried the board unanimously voted to accept and sign the Chenier Documents.  
On the motion of Mr. Trahan, seconded by Mrs. Harrison and carried the board unanimously voted to accept the proposal by Country Gourmet Catering for the Johnson Bayou Opening.  
On the motion of Mrs. Delcambre, seconded by Mr. Trahan and carried the board unanimously voted to accept the pay schedule for lawn maintenance per location charges as needed per Director's request.  
On the motion of Mr. Trahan, seconded by Mrs. Delcambre and carried the board unanimously voted to change the meeting time from 4:30 to 5:00 p.m.  
On the motion of Mr. Trahan, seconded by Mrs. Harrison and carried the board unanimously voted to pay the install charges and monthly fee for a satellite at the Lowry Library.  
On the motion of Mr. Trahan, seconded by Mrs. Harrison and carried the board unanimously voted to send a letter to David Richard, land manager with Gray Estates.  
Johnson Bayou Open House was set for January 30, 2008 at 1:00 p.m.  
The next meeting was set for January 18, 2008 at 5:00 p.m.  
There being no further business and upon motion of Mr. Trahan and seconded by Mrs. Harrison the meeting was adjourned.

**APPROVED:**  
/s/ Cyndi Sellers  
Cyndi Sellers,  
Board President

**ATTEST:**  
/s/ Charlotte Troclair  
Charlotte Troclair,  
Secretary  
Run: Feb. 21 (F 28)

**LEGAL NOTICE**

This is to advise that the Cameron Parish Police Jury meeting in regular session convened on the 14th day of January, 2008 has accepted as complete and satisfactory the work performed as Project Number 2006-14: Post-Rita Restoration of Parish Road No. 217 pursuant to the certain contract between W. E. McDonald & Son, LLC and said Cameron Parish Police Jury under File No. 306194, in the Book of Mortgages, Cameron, Louisiana.  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that any person or persons having claims arising out of the furnishing of labor, supplies, material, etc., in the construction of the said work should file said claim with the Clerk of Court of Cameron Parish, Louisiana on or before forty-five (45) days after the first publication hereof, all in the manner and form as prescribed by law. After the elapse of said time, the Cameron Parish Police Jury will pay all sums in the absence of any such claims or liens.  
BY:  
/s/ Bonnie W. Conner  
**BONNIE W. CONNER,**  
SECRETARY  
Run: Jan. 31, Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28, and March 6 (J 62)

**Rental property sought to house hurricane evacuees**

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) continues to search for housing throughout Louisiana to help families transition from travel trailers to more suitable housing. Over 24,820 households affected by Katrina and Rita within Louisiana continue to reside in FEMA travel trailers and mobile homes. More than 10,000 FEMA temporary housing residents were Louisiana renters prior to the disaster and will likely return to a rental unit.  
FEMA encourages both landlords with available rental property and displaced applicants looking for housing to call the FEMA Louisiana Rental Resources Department at 1-888-294-2822. FEMA representatives are available from Monday to Saturday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. to assist callers with listing their available rentals or with locating affordable rentals near school or work.  
Landlords and applicants may also call the national FEMA Helpline at 1-800-

621-FEMA (3362) or TTY 1-800-462-7585 for the speech or hearing-impaired, from Monday to Saturday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Spanish translators are available.  
People with Internet access can search rental properties at [https://asd.fema.gov/inter/hp\\_ortla/home.htm](https://asd.fema.gov/inter/hp_ortla/home.htm), a consolidated database of all rentals located by FEMA; [www.lahousingsearch.org](http://www.lahousingsearch.org), a housing site maintained by the state of Louisiana or <https://hudapps.hud.gov/nhl/s/>, a site maintained by the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Web sites are updated continuously, so applicants should check back often.  
Landlords calling to register their properties should be prepared to answer a few basic questions related to their rental unit, such as type of dwelling, number of bedrooms and baths, handicapped accessibility, pet policy, monthly rental amount and other items of interest to renters.

**Suggestions on how to celebrate Leap Year Day**

We all grew up learning the rhyme about the calendar: Thirty days hath September, April, June and November. All the rest have thirty-one, except February, which has twenty-eight. Or DOES IT? Turns out the earth revolves around the sun every 365 1/4 days, so if we didn't add on an extra day every four years, we'd eventually celebrate Christmas in July!  
So what does Leap Day mean for most of us? Well, not a lot. (Except for those born on this day, then it means a BIG TIME PARTY to make up for the past three years when the world decided to skip their birthday.) But you don't have to be born on Leap Day to celebrate the holiday. Here are some suggestions on how to make the most of this "extra" day in our lives:  
1. It's an old Irish tradition for women to ask men to marry them on Leap Day. In Scotland, if a man refused a Lady's proposal, he had to either give her a kiss, a pair of gloves, or a silk dress. So get out there and ask a guy out. And guys, if you turn her down, you better pick up that pair of leather gloves she's been eyeing.  
2. Use the Internet to find the current address of an old friend who you haven't spoken to in over four years.  
3. Write the old friend a post card, then bring it to the post office and ask them to hand-stamp it with the date. Since you're going to the post office, bring your old cell phones and eyeglasses. Many have bins where the phones

will get sent to soldiers overseas and the eyeglasses to those in need.  
4. Clean out all the email that's been piling up, both at work and at home. Un-enlist from newsgroups and listserves that you no longer bother to open mail from. Write down the user names and passwords you've chosen for all the sites you visit. Keep this in a safe place.  
5. Make a Leap Day drink. Try this yummy and healthy treat:  
1 scoop of vanilla ice cream or plain yogurt  
1 banana  
1 tablespoon of peanut butter  
1 cup of ice  
Blend till frothy. Skip the garnish!  
6. Use this special day to do something special for someone else in your community. Business suits you've outgrown or no longer wear? Consider organizing a corporate suit drive at your office. Contact [www.careergear.org](http://www.careergear.org) for information.  
Women can donate their business clothes to the Dress for Success program that assists low-income women looking for jobs. Find your local branch at [www.dressforsuccess.org](http://www.dressforsuccess.org).  
Old prom dresses taking up room in your closet? Bridesmaids dresses that you know you'll never wear again no matter how much the bride insists you can? Donate them all to the Glass Slipper Project. Because of them, thousands of financially challenged girls each year get to have their prom dreams come true. Go to [www.glassslipper-project.org](http://www.glassslipper-project.org) to find an affiliated organization near you.  
7. Leap back in time and play a favorite game from your childhood. Teach it to a new generation.  
8. Take ten minutes and just stretch. It loosens the ligaments and clears the pathways to the brain. You'll be more limber AND smarter!  
9. De-clutter one room. Then join your local freecycle group and give away things you no longer use. You never know when someone might be offering exactly what YOU need, too. To find your local group, go to [www.freecycle.org](http://www.freecycle.org).  
10. Check out the Internet's largest Leap Day resource, [www.leapyearday.com](http://www.leapyearday.com). You'll learn all about the origins of the holiday, where the best parties are around the world, and fun facts about the history of the calendar.  
Perhaps the most interesting is that Pope Gregory XIII—the founder of the Gregorian Calendar we all use today—decided to cancel the ten days between October 5, 1582 and October 14, 1582 in order to make up for too many extra Leap Years. Ten whole days, whoosh! Gone.)  
Now go out there and enjoy Leap Day 2008. And if you can't do everything on this list, you'll get another chance in 1,461 days. Leap On!  
*Wendy Mass is the author of six novels for young readers, including LEAP DAY, about a girl who turns sixteen on (when else?) Leap Day! Visit her at [www.wendymass.com](http://www.wendymass.com).*

**NOTICE TO ESTABLISH A BRANCH**  
In the matter of the establishment of a branch of Cameron State Bank. Notice is hereby given that the Cameron State Branch, whose Main Office and Office and domicile is located in Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, has made application to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the Louisiana Commissioner of Financial Institutions to establish a branch to be located at 4503 Creole Hwy., Creole, Cameron Parish, Louisiana.  
Any person wishing to comment on this application may file his or her comments, in writing, with the Regional Director (DOS) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at its Dallas Regional Office at 1910 Pacific Avenue, 19th Floor, Dallas, Texas 75201 not later than March 7, 2008. The non-confidential portion of the application is on file in the regional office and is available for inspection during regular business hours. Photocopies of the non-confidential portion of the application file will be made available upon request.  
Any person wishing to comment on this application with the Louisiana Office of Financial Institutions may file his or her comments, in writing, with the Commissioner of Financial Institutions, Post Office Box 94095, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 70804-9095. The Office of Financial Institutions is not required to consider any comments received more than 30 days after the date of publication of this Notice. The Public Section of the application will be available at the Office of Financial Institutions for public inspection during the regular business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.  
This notice is published pursuant to Part 303.7 of the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and LAC 10:1.Chapter 5 of the "Louisiana Register".  
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Post Office Box 7980  
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By: Roy M. Raftery, Jr.  
President

*What will you do with your extra day this year? Leap day is Feb. 29, 2008!*

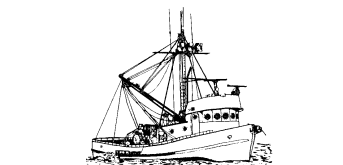
**FEMA seeks to relocate evacuees**

Dear Editor:  
FEMA is expediting the relocation of residents to other suitable housing following the preliminary formaldehyde results of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) testing of travel trailers in Louisiana and Mississippi.  
Our first priority is occupants with health concerns and those most susceptible to health risks such as the elderly, households with young children and those with respiratory challenges. The previously announced closure of all group sites and relocation of residents by June 1, 2008 will continue as part of our ongoing efforts.  
To best ensure these relocations proceed expeditiously, FEMA is prepared to do the following:  
Pay transportation relocation costs;  
Contract directly with landlords and hotel/motel owners to eliminate credit and/or background issues;  
Pay rent up front to landlords and necessary security deposits and utilities;  
Utilize contract resources to support local relocation;  
Provide food vouchers and stipends;  
Contract for temporary storage and/or shipping of household property;  
Pay for boarding and care of household pets; and  
Work with Voluntary Agencies to provide furniture.  
FEMA applicants relocating to apartments because of formaldehyde concerns will not be required to pay the \$50 per month increase on their rental unit until September. This was scheduled to begin March 1.  
Families residing in each of the 519 units tested by CDC will be personally provided the specific results for their home, and all other occupants may request testing. FEMA caseworkers will continue to help residents identify alternate housing and access information that can lead to self sufficiency and a sustainable future.  
Occupants with formaldehyde or housing questions should call FEMA 24/7 at 1-866-562-2381, or TTY 1-800-462-7585. CDC specialists will respond to health-related concerns at 1-800-CDC-INFO. More information is available at [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov) or [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov).

/s/ Jim Stark,  
Acting Associate Deputy Administrator, FEMA's Gulf Coast Recover Office  
New Orleans

**Smoked Catfish & Crawfish Terrine**

4 (5-7 ounce) catfish fillets, smoked  
1 cup cooked crawfish tails  
1 cup mayonnaise  
1/2 cup sour cream  
1 Tablespoon diced garlic  
1/4 cup diced red bell pepper  
1/4 cup diced yellow bell pepper  
1 Tablespoon lemon juice  
1/2 oz. sherry wine  
1 Tablespoon Worcestershire Sauce  
salt & black pepper  
Louisiana Gold Pepper Sauce  
2 packages unflavored gelatin, dissolved in 1/4 cup cold water  
Coarsely chop smoked catfish and crawfish and place in a 2 quart mixing bowl. Add all remaining ingredients, blending well to incorporate seasonings into the mixture. Adjust salt and pepper, if necessary, and pour mixture into a terrine mold. Place in refrigerator, covered, overnight.  
When serving, remove from mold and garnish with French bread or garlic crotons. To enhance the presentation of the terrine, you may wish to color two cups of mayonnaise, one with red food coloring and one with green. Using a pastry bag with a star tip, pipe colored mayonnaise around the base of the terrine. You may also wish to garnish the top of the terrine with a small amount of the colored mayonnaise and a fresh tomato rose.  
NOTE: You may substitute shrimp, lobster, or crab for the catfish.



**Formaldehyde is found in FEMA trailers on coast**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has released preliminary results from recent testing that found higher than typical indoor exposure level of formaldehyde in travel trailers and mobile homes used as emergency housing in the Gulf Coast Region.  
"These findings support FEMA's continued focus on finding permanent housing for everyone who has been living in travel trailers and mobile homes since the hurricanes," said CDC Director Dr. Julie Gerberding. "The levels in many of these trailers and mobile homes are higher than would be expected indoors. Since these levels were found in December and January, and we know that higher temperatures can cause formaldehyde levels to go up, we think it's wise for people to be relocated before the hot weather arrives in summer. We also think that it would be beneficial for people who are displaying symptoms as well as households

with children, elderly persons, or occupants with chronic respiratory illnesses to receive priority consideration for alternate housing."  
"As a result of preliminary findings FEMA will be taking additional actions to provide for the safety and well being of the residents of these travel trailers by finding them alternative housing," said FEMA Administrator David Paulson. "FEMA is leaning forward and will continue to act and provide information to our residents in an expedited manner."  
CDC's preliminary evaluation of a scientifically established random sample of 519 travel trailers and mobile homes tested between Dec. 21, 2007 and Jan. 23, 2008 showed average levels of formaldehyde in all units of about 77 parts per billion (ppb). Long-term exposure to levels in this range can be linked to an increased risk of cancer, and as levels rise above this range, there can also be risk of respiratory illness. These levels are higher than expected in indoor air.

**It Seems Just Like Yesterday**  
By KEITH HAMBRICK

**(Cameron Pilot, Feb. 13, 1975) JURY ELECTION IS SATURDAY**  
1975 will be the "Year of the Elections" for Cameron Parish and the first of the series will be held Saturday when 17 candidates compete for six seats on the Cameron Parish Police Jury in a special reapportionment election.  
Jurors elected in the special election will have only a few months breather before they will have to run again in the regular 4-year election set for November.  
Just a week after this Saturday's election, there will be another special election, this one to fill the 7th district seat on the newly created State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.  
And if these weren't enough elections, there probably will be another one this spring or summer to reapportion the school board.  
In this week's election, all six incumbent jurors are running for reapportionment of the parish into four districts, two of the incumbents are seeking the same seat.  
Here are the candidates in Saturday's race:  
District 1--Division A (Ward 5) - Archie Berwick, incumbent; Alton Trahan and Mason Istre.  
District 1--Division B (Ward 30) - (two seats to be filled) - Norman McCall, incumbent; Hayes Picou, Sr. Roland Troclair, Jr., Willie Ray Conner, Gilda Bargeman, Frances O. Theriot.  
District 2--(Ward 6) - C. A. Riggs, incumbent, John R. Rollins.  
District 3--(Ward 4 and north part of Ward 1) - Charles Precht, Ward 4 incumbent; Ernest Myers, Ward 1 incumbent; Joseph LeBleu. (The combining of Ward 4 with part of Ward 1 left two incumbents in the same district.)  
District 4--Lyle Crain, incumbent; Walter J. Dupuie, and Joseph Emos Dupuie.

reapportionment and two plans were submitted by citizens. These plans and other possibilities will be discussed.  
The board agreed to voluntarily reapportion itself several months ago after a suit was filed to force reapportionment of the police jury. The jury reshuffling will be accomplished by a special election this Saturday.

**SEWER GRANT EXPECTED SOON**  
Cameron Sewerage District No. 1 received a status report from Hackett and Bailey on the grant application which is of interest to persons living in the sewer taxing district, but not yet receiving sewerage service.  
The grant in process for the Cameron Parish extension has received first ranking in priority over 121 cities in Louisiana. In addition, the time period for objections to be filed has passed and no objections were registered.  
The Environmental Protection Agency has notified Hackett and Bailey, engineers for the project, that the first funds which the Federal government will extend for sewerage extensions or improvements in the state of Louisiana, will be those received by the local sewerage board. The grant will enable the Sewerage Board to extend sewer service eastward to the end of the district and westward to include the industries previously excluded.

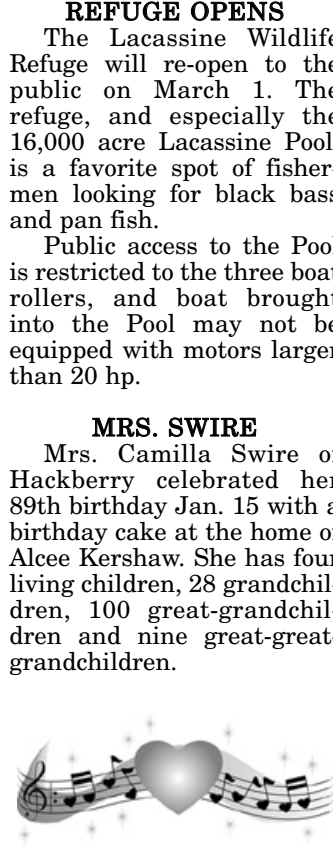
**BOARD GETS MINERAL LEASE**  
The Cameron Parish School Board approved a sizable mineral lease on a school owned section near Johnson Bayou which should aid the board with some of its financial problems.  
McCormick Properties, Inc., was the successful bidder on Section 16-15-15 with its offer of a cash bonus of \$138,041.60, annual rental of \$69,020.80 and 27.5 percent of the minerals.

**SCHOOL EMPLOYEES GET RAISE**  
All Cameron Parish school employees were granted a cost of living raise retroactive to Jan. 1 by the Cameron Parish School Board at its Monday meeting.  
A 2 1/2 percent increase was approved for teachers, principals and other employees, and an adjustment in pay for Class AA coaches and 12-month employees was granted.  
These increases are on top of the 5 percent pay increase recently approved by the state legislature.

**LACASSINE REFUGE OPENS**  
The Lacassine Wildlife Refuge will re-open to the public on March 1. The refuge, and especially the 16,000 acre Lacassine Pool, is a favorite spot of fishermen looking for black bass and pan fish.  
Public access to the Pool is restricted to the three boat rollers, and boat brought into the Pool may not be equipped with motors larger than 20 hp.

**SCHOOL BOARD SETS HEARING**  
A public hearing has been called by the Cameron Parish School Board for 7 p.m., Friday, March 21, at the school board office to discuss plans for voluntary reapportionment of the school board.  
The board recently advertised for suggested plans for

**MRS. SWIRE**  
Mrs. Camilla Swire of Hackberry celebrated her 89th birthday Jan. 15 with a birthday cake at the home of Alcee Kershaw. She has four living children, 28 grandchildren, 100 great-grandchildren and nine great-great-grandchildren.



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## REAL ESTATE

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 • 169 GRANGER LANE: 4 acres w/shop pad, electricity, and mechanical system. \$64,000.  
 • 229 McCAIN: Acadian 4/2 in Grand Lake in restricted subdivision w/ large upstairs gameroom \$219,000. 2/13tfc.

**FOR SALE:** Grand Lake - 170 LaBove Rd, east of school, two story, 3br, 2 1/2 ba, wood floors & ceilings, granite, new A/C & heat, bonus room, recently remodeled, 1 acre, nice, reduced \$189,000, Call 540-9561. 2/13 - 3/6mc

**FOR SALE:** Good investment opportunity! 802 Overton St., DeQuincy, LA, 3 bedroom, 1 bath home on 3.8 acres of land, \$62,500. Call (409) 365-3617. 2/20 - 3/12p.

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## Events at G L Library

Grand Lake Library announces their upcoming activities:  
 March 11, Story Time - 4 p.m. for ages 3-9.  
 March 18, Easter Craft - 4 p.m. ages 3-9.  
 March 21, Library closed for Good Friday.  
 March 25, Movie - 4 p.m. for ages 3-9.



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## 4-H taking orders for strawberries

Flats of fresh, sweet Louisiana strawberries are now on sale through the LSU AgCenter in Grand Lake. Proceeds will benefit the Cameron 4-H youth. Flats (12 pint) are sold for \$13 each.

These strawberries will be picked fresh from Hammond and delivered by the farmer to Cameron Parish. Tickets are available through your school's 4-H members or call the 4-H Office in Grand Lake at 905-1318.

All orders and money are due Monday, March 31. Customers may pick up their strawberries on Wednesday, April 16, between 4-5:30pm at either the LSU AgCenter in Grand Lake or Hackberry Community Center. Don't delay, order your strawberries today!



# February good month to start plants from seeds

By **DAN GILL**  
 LSU AgCenter  
 Horticulturist

At some point, many gardeners discover there is a much greater selection of annual flowers and vegetables available in seed catalogs than can be found at local nurseries. To grow those wonderful plants, however, you must be able to grow your own transplants from seed.

### Containers for sowing seeds

One part of facing that challenge is selecting the right containers for sowing seeds.

Containers should be clean and sturdy, have drainage holes and fit into the space available for growing the young plants.

Seeds may be planted thickly into plastic flats, trays, pots or other handy containers for later transplanting into small individual containers. Starting seeds this way initially saves space but involves additional labor transplanting the young seedlings into individual pots when they are large enough.

If you prefer, you can plant seeds directly into individual pots. Small clay or plastic pots, plastic cell packs, peat pots or foam or paper cups (punch holes for drainage) may be used.

### Growing media

The medium used for starting seeds should be sterile, well-drained and of fine texture. Excellent commercially prepared mixes are available for growing seeds. Light, well-drained potting soils also will generally be satisfactory, especially with larger seeds. But do not use garden soil.

### Planting seeds

Fill the container almost to the top with moistened medium, level it and gently firm it with your hand.

Scatter or broadcast the seeds evenly over the surface. If planting in individual pots, plant two or three seeds per pot (all but one seedling will be pinched off if they all germinate). With larger containers, sow a number of seeds fairly thickly and transplant the seedlings into individual pots later.

Lightly cover the seeds to the depth recommended on the seed package. Very fine seeds need not be covered. Label each pot promptly with the plant type, cultivar name and planting date.

Water the seeds in with a fine spray, being careful not to flood the container. Then water as needed to keep the medium evenly moist but not soggy. Never let it dry out!

Place the container in a warm location, but light is not critical at this point unless the seeds need light to germinate. Generally a temperature range from 65 degrees to 75 degrees is best. Gentle bottom heat can speed germination and can be provided by special heating cables available at nurseries or by mail order. If the weather is warm, the containers may be placed in a shady spot outside.

Watch daily for germination. The seed package should indicate the number

of days required. Move to bright light as soon as germination begins. This is very important. Also, water regularly because seedlings will quickly die if allowed to dry out.

### Growing the seedlings

Light is especially critical once the seeds germinate. If the seedlings begin to stretch and look leggy, they are not getting enough light.

Grow the seedlings in a sheltered location outside in spring, summer and fall when conditions are warm enough. Seedlings of sun-loving plants should receive about six hours of sun each day. Seedlings of plants that prefer shadier conditions should receive two or three hours of morning sun.

It is common to start seeds indoors this time of year when it's chilly outside. Place the containers of seedlings in the sunniest window you have.

If you don't have a sunny window, you also can successfully grow seedlings using a fluorescent utility light fixture suspended on chains from hooks. Position the fixture 3 inches above the seedlings and leave it on 14 hours to 16 hours a day. Raise the fixture as the seedlings grow.

Whether inside or outside, water regularly and fertilize seedlings once a week with 20-20-20 soluble fertilizer mixed half strength.

As soon as the seedlings are large enough to handle, they should be carefully separated and transplanted into individual pots - or if already growing in individual pots, thinned to one plant per pot. When transplanting, always handle the small seedlings by a leaf because their thin stems break easily.

### Planting into the garden

When plants are large enough - they need not be in bloom - plant them into the garden when weather conditions are suitable.

But remember, plants grown indoors or in greenhouses need to be acclimated to the environment outside before planting. First, place them in a protected shady location and allow them to wilt slightly before watering. Then, over the next 10 days, gradually expose them to more light.

Plant transplants into well-prepared beds at the same level they were growing in the container and space them according to recommendations on the seed package.

Congratulations! You have just entered a new and wonderful phase of gardening.

*Get It Growing* is a weekly feature on home lawn and garden topics prepared by experts in the LSU AgCenter. For more information on such topics, contact your parish LSU AgCenter Extension office or visit our Web site at [www.lsuagcenter.com](http://www.lsuagcenter.com). A wide range of publications and a variety of other resources are available.

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# Removal of brown pelicans from endangered act sought

The U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service published its proposal in the Federal Register to remove remaining protected populations of the brown pelican from protection under the Endangered Species Act. The Secretary of the Interior announced this action on Feb. 8, in Baton Rouge.

The remaining populations occur along the Gulf and Pacific coasts, the Caribbean, and across Central and South America. On Feb. 4, 1985, the Service delisted the brown pelican in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, and points northward along the Atlantic Coast. However, the brown pelican continued to be listed as endangered throughout the remainder of its range, including Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, California, Mexico, Central and South America, and the West Indies.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will accept comments on this proposal received or postmarked on or before April 21. Requests for public hearings must be received in writing by April 7.

Please see today's Federal Register Notice (Volume 73, Number 34, Pages 9407-9433) or <http://www.fws.gov/policy/library/E8-2829.html>

Written comments and materials may be submitted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. To submit comments or request a public hearing by U.S. mail or hand-delivery, Public Comments Processing, Attn: RIN 1018-AV28; Division of Policy and Directives Management; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Suite 222; Arlington, VA 22203.

E-mails or faxes will not be accepted. All comments will be posted on <http://www.regulations.gov>.

For further information, please contact: Adam Zerenner, Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Austin Ecological Services Office, 10711 Burnet Road, Suite 200, Austin, Texas 78758; telephone 512/490-0057, extension 248; facsimile 512/490-0974.



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**— JOB OPENING —**

The Cameron Parish Library will accept job applications until 4:00 p.m., February 28, 2008 for part-time clerk's position at the Lowry Library.

Applications may be obtained at Myers' Landing between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. or at any library location. For further information call the Grand Lake Library at 337-598-5950.

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RUN: Feb. 14 & 21 (F-18)

**— NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC —**

The Cameron Parish Police Jury is considering the following amendment to the Animal and Fowl Ordinance. To submit oral or written comments, please call the Police Jury office at (337) 775-5718 (Operator) or mail to P. O. Box 1280, Cameron, LA 70631.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

The Cameron Parish Police Jury recognizes that there are areas in the Parish where the presence of dogs and exotic animals is undesirable, such as areas of high activity and areas where the presence of dogs would threaten the safety, peace or comfort of those present.

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To enact Sec. 4-29 relative to the regulation of dogs and exotic animals on public grounds and public rights of way during the hours of a permitted parade, fair or festival.

CHAPTER 4  
 ANIMALS AND FOWL  
 ARTICLE II. DOGS  
 \* \* \* \* \*

Sec. 4-29. PROHIBITED AREAS

Dogs and exotic animals are not allowed on public grounds or public rights of way during the hours of a permitted fair, festival or parade.

The prohibited areas and the applicable hours shall be designated on the Permit issued by the Cameron Parish Police Jury.

Exotic Animals are defined as any species of animal that is not considered to be a common pet (companion animal) or domesticated livestock species.

A fair is defined as an exhibition usually with accompanying entertainment or amusements.

A festival is defined as a celebration for a specific occasion.

A parade is defined as any march or other organized movement of persons from place to place, or about a place.

This section shall not apply to individuals with a disability who are accompanied by a guide dog, signal dog or service dog, specially trained for this purpose.

RUN: Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28 (F 6)





**THE ANCIENT** oak tree on Chenier Perdue survived Hurricane Rita very well, as it has done for an estimated 800 years. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



**SNOW GEESE** come in for a landing at Cameron Prairie Refuge. This flock and other birds and wildlife are easily seen and photographed from the Pintail Wildlife Drive. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



**GREGOIRE THERIOT**, science teacher at Hackberry High School, is shown judging one of the entries in the South Cameron High School's Science Fair held on Feb. 7. Other judges were Bobbye Delaney, Lacey Dougharty and Ruby Miller.

## SCHS announces its Science Fair winners

On Feb. 7, South Cameron High School held their 1st annual science fair. There were 94 senior projects and 27 junior projects. Participants were required to do a science investigation to answer a question in their

interest. They made a project board, a written report, and gave an oral report.

The judges were the science teachers from our parish schools. They were Bobbye Delaney, Grand Lake; Gregoire Theriot,

## School lunches

Cameron Parish Schools lunch menus are as follows:

Friday, Feb. 22 - Fish strips, macaroni and cheese, sweet peas, orange wedges, cornbread, catsup, milk.

Monday, Feb. 25 - Spaghetti and meatballs, whole kernal corn, fruit salad, peanut butter cookies, garlic toast, milk.

Tuesday, Feb. 26 - Chicken nuggets, Tator Tots, tossed salad, strawberry jelly, sliced bread, salad dressing, bar-beque sauce, milk

Wednesday, Feb. 27 - Country fried steak, mashed potatoes, chilled pear halves, brown gravy, peanut butter spread, wheat rolls, milk.

Thursday, Feb. 28 - Turkey roast, rice, lima beans, fresh fruit cup, cornbread, milk.

Hackberry; and Lacey Dougharty, Johnson Bayou; and Ruby Miller, Cameron Parish 4-H.

South Cameron High School 2007-08 Science Fair Winners are as follows:

### JUNIOR HIGH DIVISION

Animal Science: 1st, Dylan Dowd; 2nd, Jenna Duddleston.

Behavioral & Social Science: 1st, Myli Hay; 2nd, Dina Mendez; 3rd Andrew Mudd.

Microbiology: 1st, Andrea Shipman.

Earth Science: 1st, Trey Morrison; 2nd, Isaiah Frank.

Engineering: 1st, Channing LaLande; 2nd, Garrett Duddleston.

Environmental Science: 1st, Jacob Landry; 2nd, Breann DeBarge.

Medicine & Health: 1st, Cami Richard; 2nd, Taylor Canik; 3rd, Laney Theriot; Honorable Mention, Sabrina Peshoff.

Physics & Astronomy: 1st, Kipp Knippers; 2nd, Kade Pierson; 3rd, Nick LaSalle;



**A NEWBORN CALF** on Chenier Perdue Road is a sure sign of spring. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

Honorable Mention, Tye Fontenot. Plant Sciences: 1st, Bryce LaBove.

### SENIOR HIGH DIVISION

Animal Science: 1st, Shawnie Mock; 2nd, Racissa Savoie; 3rd, Jadah Primeaux; Honorable Mention, Jody Trosclair.

Behavioral & Social Science: 1st, Gerald Vasquez; 2nd, Haley Nunez; 3rd, McKayla Fountain; Honorable Mention, Kobi Nunez.

Biochemistry: 1st, Brett Richard; 2nd, Alan Myers; 3rd, Mikalee Mooney; Honorable Mention, Braids LaBove.

Chemistry: 1st, Hunter Canik; 2nd, Katelyn Horn; 3rd, Ty Savoie; Honorable Mention, Shelby Willis.

Computer Science: 1st, Melanie Hardy.

Earth Science: 1st, Kyle Benoit; 2nd, Buddy Miller; 3rd, Matthew Rodrigue; Honorable Mention, D'Naye Breaux.

Engineering: 1st, Tony Baccigalopi; 2nd, Victoria Wilkerson; 3rd, Gabriel LaLande; Honorable Mention, Clint Miller.

Environmental Science: 1st, Ross Rowland; 2nd,

Brendan Trahan; 3rd, Mollie Alexander; Honorable Mention, Shelby Wolfe.

Medicine & Health: 1st, Meagan Wigley; 2nd, Kristi Breaux; 3rd, Bailey E. Richard; Honorable Mention, Samantha LaBove.

Plant Sciences: 1st, Trevor Nunez; 2nd, Lakin LaBove; 3rd, Brian Doxey; Honorable Mention, Cody Jouett.

Physics & Astronomy: 1st, Amanda Wicke; 2nd, Kyle Little; 3rd, Devon Richard; Honorable Mention, Destiney Crowe.

### Basketball Results

By CHRIS & LAURIE MUELLER

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### GIRLS

**Grand Lake 51, Midland 38** - The Lady Hornets finished District 7B in 3rd place after a tie breaker game with Midland last week. Kat Kingham paced the Lady Hornets with 16 points and Liz Kingham added 14 points.

## — JOB AD —

Cameron Parish Waterworks District #10 will be accepting applications for a Full-time Water Facility Operator. Applications and employment criteria can be obtained at the Waterworks Office, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Salary will be based on qualifications. Applications will be accepted until 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 12, 2008. Call 569-2110 for information.

(RUN: Feb. 14, 21, 28 (F-13))

## EARLY VOTING SOON TO BEGIN

Early voting for the March 8, 2008 election will be at the Registrar of Voters office at 122-F Recreation Ln. behind the courthouse.

Early voting has added another Saturday to the early voting days for the convenience of our voters.

Early voting will occur from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. starting Saturday, Feb. 23, 2008 and the week of Monday, Feb. 25 through Saturday, March 1, 2008. Please remember when you go vote, you must have a picture ID with you.

Finally, any person who feels they need assistance in voting due to a physical disability such as poor eyesight or other **MUST** get a physicians certificate confirming the need for assistance in voting and submit it to the registrar prior to the election or give the certificate to the commissioners at the polls on Election Day.

Thanks, Suzanne Sturlese, Registrar

RUN: Feb. 21 & 28 (F-22)

**Don't Forget To Vote**

**Cameron Parish Waterworks District #10**  
Serving The  
**Johnson Bayou - Holly Beach Area**  
**MAINTENANCE TAX RENEWAL**  
On Saturday, March 8 At  
**The Johnson Bayou Recreation Center**

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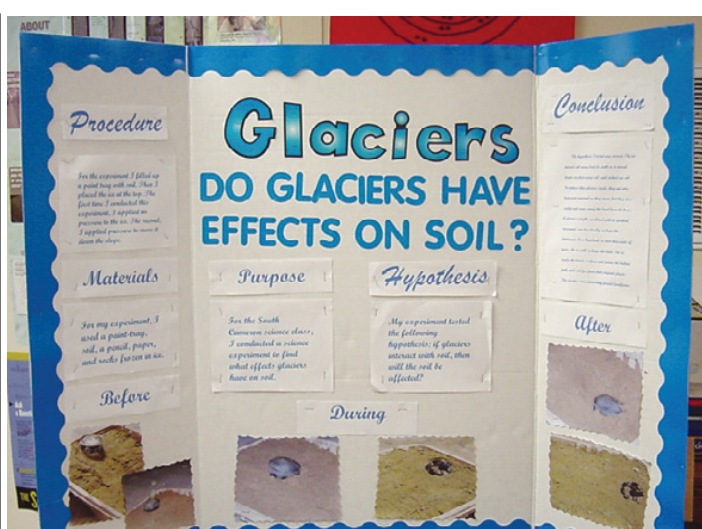
Cameron Parish Head Start is now taking applications for pupils 3-5 years of age for the upcoming school year of 2008-2009. Pupils must be 3 by September 30, 2008.

Applications are available at Grand Lake Head Start Center, 965 Highway 384, 598-4413 or Hackberry Head Start Center, 110 Volunteer Lane, 762-3587.

Cameron Parish Head Start does not discriminate against any race, color, creed, sex, national origin, religious belief, disability, conditions or ancestry.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity, as always it is a privilege to serve you and your family.

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**SHOWN ABOVE** is one of the science projects entered in the first annual Science Fair at South Cameron High School held Feb. 7.

Chevron Exploration and Production logs major oil field discoveries in the United States, using the latest available technology to maintain strong production in mature fields. A major producer for the Company is the offshore operations in the Gulf of Mexico.

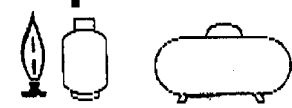
### Offshore Pipeline Safety

While the majority of the offshore pipelines are buried, please exercise caution while in the Gulf of Mexico and its inland waterways. Use the technology or maps on your vessel to identify pipelines prior to dropping anchor and planning fishing routes. Vessel damage to the pipelines is the primary cause of pipeline-related pollution, and preventing this damage not only keeps the Gulf clean, but also maintains a healthy environment for the products harvested. If you are an excavation Contractor working in these areas please use the appropriate ONE CALL System for the State in which you plan to conduct excavation work. It's the Law. This will help identify any pipelines in the area before work begins and will help insure an incident free work place.

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## — NOTICE —

The Cameron Parish School Board is accepting applications for the position of **District Maintenance Worker**

Minimum High School Completion Required

Experience in plumbing, electricity, carpentry, welding, H/VAC preferred

Current Starting Salary: \$36,322.72

(increases accrued per verifiable years of applicable experience)

Benefits package offered.

Transportation is provided between schools; personal transportation to and from work is required.

### Applicants must provide the following:

- Certified copy of high school completion (diploma or GED)
- Copy of current driver's license
- Three (3) letters of recommendation
- Doctor's statement of physical ability to meet requirement of: continuous standing, walking, climbing, bending, crouching, push/pulling, carrying, reaching overhead, and lifting/lowering of 1-100 pounds.
- Resume of previous work experience including business names, job responsibilities, contact person's name and phone number.

Appointment includes a three (3) month provisional period. Example: appointment effective March 11, 2008 with three month provisional period and if satisfactory, then permanent appointment would be official on June 9, 2008.

Please mail all information above to: Stephanie Rodrigue, Superintendent, Cameron Parish School Board, P. O. Box 1548, Cameron, LA 70631  
Or hand deliver to Superintendent Stephanie Rodrigue: 1027 Hwy 384, Grand Lake, LA 70607 (in temporary building on west side of Grand Lake High School)  
Information Receipt Deadline: February 29, 2008

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# Catholic Calendar

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February 21, 2008

## Bishop Provost's schedule busy in early 2008



The Most Reverend Glen John Provost schedule is hectic as is shown by the photo grouping above. At top left, Bishop Provost greets the Catechumens and Candidates from all the parishes at the Rite of Election and the Celebration of the Call to Continuing Conversion in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Sunday, Feb. 10. At top right, the Bishop celebrated a special Mass for Catholic School Week in the Diocese Jan. 28 to Feb. 1 with eighth graders from Catholic schools and students from St. Louis Catholic High School

attending. At bottom left, the Bishop Provost offers prayer during the ceremony in the Cathedral at which seminarian Scott Conner was accepted to candidacy for Holy Orders. This is the first step for Conner toward ordination to the Diaconate and the Priesthood. In the bottom right photo, Bishop Provost chats with some of the attendees at the February 1 First Friday Men's Prayer Breakfast, held in Ave Maria Hall of the Cathedral's office building.

## La. Catholic Conference now La. Conference of Catholic Bishops

BATON ROUGE - The Louisiana Catholic Conference officially changed its name to the Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops (LCCB) effective January 1, 2008. Louisiana's Catholic bishops hope the name change will help to identify the conference as a direct representative of the Catholic Church with its authority from the bishops.

"Completely on their own, reporters have begun adding 'of bishops' to our name when I'm quoted in articles," said Daniel J. Loar, LCCB's executive director. "Obviously, they believe it more clearly shows who I am representing."

The name change more closely identifies the state bishops' conference with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops,

(USCCB). Also, Louisiana is following suit with other bishops' conferences throughout the country as they work to help the public understand their purpose and identity. Those bishops' conferences that have made the change feel it has been well received by both the public and the legislators they are in contact with.

The Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops formulates public policy positions through a board of directors composed of the archbishop of New Orleans and the bishops of the other six Catholic dioceses in Louisiana.

More information about the Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops is available online at [www.laccb.org](http://www.laccb.org).



John Ed Bradley, a former LSU football standout and author of the recently released book, "It Never Rains in Tiger Stadium," is shown during a visit to Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic School. While at the school Bradley, who has written several highly praised novels and now lives in Opelousas, spoke to the fifth through eighth graders. Earlier in the day, he spent time with students at St. Louis Catholic High School.

## Saint Charles Center sponsoring stage play

LAKE CHARLES - "Haunted by God: The Life of Dorothy Day", a one-woman play about the co-founder of the Catholic Worker Movement, will be performed at 7 p.m. Wednesday, February 27th at the Central School Theater, Central School Theater, 809 Kirby Street.

The play, with Lisa Wagner portraying Dorothy Day, is being sponsored by Saint Charles Center of the Diocese of Lake Charles. Admission is by free will offering and proceeds will benefit the Center's scholarship fund.

Dorothy Day was a powerful woman of immense conviction who spent 47 years living with the poor and challenging the United States government to halt acts of war. She is known as the "Mother of the Peace Movement" in the U.S. and has been called "the most significant, interesting, and influential person in the history of the American Catholic Church."

### 40-Hours Devotion sites, times

- Our Lady of Prompt Succor, Sulphur**  
Thursday, Feb. 21 at 9 a.m. to Friday, Feb. 22 at 6:30 a.m.
- Immaculate Conception, Maplewood**  
Monday, Feb. 25 to Thursday, Feb. 28, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. each day.
- St. Philip Neri, Kinder**  
Monday, March 3 at 6 p.m. to Wednesday, March 5 at 10 a.m.
- St. Joan of Arc, Oberlin**  
Thursday, March 13 at 8 p.m. to Saturday, March 15 at 12 noon.
- Our Lady Help of Christians, Jennings**  
Tuesday, March 25, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Immaculate Conception, Jennings**  
Wednesday, March 26, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Jennings**  
Thursday, March 27, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

### Did you know ...

Bishop Jude Speyrer appointed Msgr. Irving A. DeBlanc and Rev. (now Monsignor) James Gaddy as the first Vicars General of the Diocese of Lake Charles in 1980. Father Harry D. Greig (now Monsignor) was named as the first Chancellor of the newly formed diocese.

**Monsignor is a form of address for those members of the clergy of the Catholic Church holding certain ecclesiastical honorific titles. There are three classes - Chaplains of Honor to His Holiness, Prelates of Honor to His Holiness, and Protonotaries Apostolic, the highest grade of monsignor found outside Rome. Eight priests in the Diocese may be addressed as Monsignors. Only two men have been honored as Protonotaries Apostolic since the Diocese was established. Do you know who they are? Find out in our March 7 Catholic Calendar.**



The Fourth Degree Assembly No. 22, Knights of Peter Claver and Fourth Degree Chapter No. 22, Ladies of Grace recently made a contribution of toiletries and sundries to the Calcasieu Women's Shelter in Lake Charles. Pictured, from left, are Lady Birdie Harmon, Ann Polak, Director of the Center, Sir Knight Lionel Daniel Lady Patricia Daniel and Lady Kitty Prudhomme.

(This page paid for by the Diocese of Lake Charles.)