



SIGNS FOR the two new library branches, Cameron and Grand Chenier, feature photographs of the local area. Each is specific to its community. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

Cameron and Grand Chenier libraries set grand openings

By CYNDI SELLERS

The Cameron Parish Library system is celebrating the grand openings of two branches on Monday, Feb. 26, and the public is invited to come to the party. Cameron and Grand Chenier have received temporary buildings, fully furnished, stocked and staffed, through a grant from the Gates Foundation, managed by SOLINET, the Southeastern Library Network.

Each library features laptop and desktop computers, new books and periodicals, audio and video media, a children's area, comfortable reading area, table and chairs for study or classes. The libraries are equipped for wireless internet, and offer fax and copy services.

Parish Library Director Charlotte Troclair says programs are being developed for all ages, in various subject areas. The temporary libraries are on loan for three years while new permanent buildings are under construction, but all the contents will belong to the library. "We hope everyone will come and see the beautiful new libraries and find out what they have to offer," Troclair said.

The third branch destroyed by Hurricane Rita was Johnson Bayou. A new book/tech mobile is being built through the Gates grant and will be parked at Johnson

Bayou when it arrives, until that branch is rebuilt as well. The parish library gets to keep the new mobile unit, which will be state of the art, according to SOLINET.

RIBBON CUTTINGS

The Grand Chenier ribbon cutting will take place at 12 noon, followed by light refreshments. Local children will cut the ribbon to officially open their new library.

The Cameron Branch ribbon cutting will follow at 3 p.m. Lt. Gov. Mitch Landrieu will be the featured speaker, with U. S. Rep. Charles Boustany, State Library Director Rebecca Hamilton, SOLINET Exec. Dir. Kate Nevins, and Gulf Coast Library Recovery Project Manager Mary Ellin Santiago, Police Jury President Darryl Farque, and Library Board President Cyndi Sellers also on the program.

"The Lt. Governor oversees the Office of Culture, Recreation and Tourism which is made up of five offices. The Office of the State Library is one of those agen-

cies. State Librarian Rebecca Hamilton says "He is extremely supportive of the public libraries. He always likes to attend any library event that he can."

The new playground at the Cameron Library will also be dedicated. It was provided for the children of Cameron by a grant from Sempra Energy. The playground will be the focus of a "reading garden" with benches, a picnic table, and a fountain, provided by donations from other individuals.

Catered refreshments and music in two large tents will follow the dedications. Refreshments, tents and music are being provided by donations from Cameron Communications, Sempra Energy, and Cheniere Energy.

LIBRARY HISTORY

The library was originally opened on June 27, 1958 the first anniversary of Hurricane Audrey that devastated the parish one year earlier. The library was dedicated as a memorial to the storm victims.

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MYRNA CONNER, Creole/Lake Charles business woman, is pictured with former Senator John Breaux during a recent visit to Washington, D. C. She was a member of the "Women of the Storm" delegation which supported the bill to give coastal states royalties from new oil and gas leases on the outer continental shelf. This was her second trip to Capital Hill since Hurricane Rita.

Settlement is near on insurance says Jones

(AMERICAN PRESS)

Louisiana's state-run insurer is nearing a mass settlement with policyholders that would be the first deal of its kind in the state since the 2005 hurricanes spawned thousands of similar lawsuits, an attorney for the homeowners said Monday.

Property Insurance Corp., Louisiana's insurer of last resort, has agreed "in principle" to settle out of court with 165 policyholders in Cameron Parish who sued Citizens for refusing to cover damage from Hurricane Rita in September 2005, attorney Jennifer Jones said.

Jones, who would not specify the proposed terms of the proposed multimillion dollar agreement, said an agreement could be announced by the end of this week.

"I think our deal, in essence, has been made. We're just finalizing the numbers," said Jones who also is an assistant district attorney in Cameron.

Jones said she also is trying to negotiate a separate settlement with State Farm on behalf of about 150 policyholders in Cameron, but recent settlement offers by the company were "too low."

Another meeting between Jones and State Farm attorneys is planned for Mar. 2, according to Jones and company spokesman Phil Supple.

"I can't say if another offer will be on the table, but we will be resuming face-to-face conversations," Supple said.

Insurance companies have settled out of court with hundreds if not thousands of individual homeowners in Louisiana who sued in the wake of hurricanes Katrina and Rita, but the state hasn't had a mass settlement of lawsuits like one reached recently in Mississippi.

State Farm Insurance Cos. agreed last month to pay about \$80 million to 640 poli-

cyholders in Mississippi who sued the Bloomington, Ill.-based insurer. State Farm also agreed to pay at least \$50 million to up to 35,000 Mississippi homeowners whose claims were denied but didn't sue the company, but a federal judge has refused to sign off on this part of the deal.

Like many of the homeowners who have sued their insurers in Mississippi, most of the 165 policyholders on the verge of settling with Citizens had homes that were reduced to slabs, according to Jones.



Jody Nunez

Sweetlake man dies in accident

Jody R. Nunez, 47, of Sweetlake, died Saturday, Feb. 17, in a work related explosion and fire at Venice, south of New Orleans.

He was welding on a tank barge when it exploded and caught fire, according to the Coast Guard. The moored barge contained about 17,000 gallons of crude oil. The accident happened in Garden Isle Bay just off Pass a Loure near Venice. A second man suffered second-degree burns and was flown by Coast Guard helicopter to a hospital in Baton Rouge.

Fundraiser

By JOLIE TRAHAN

The 4-H clubs of Hackberry High School will begin collecting pennies for a Cystic Fibrosis fundraiser. Jars will be placed in every classroom for the students to drop in their pennies, and any other denomination of money.

The collection began on Thursday, Feb. 15 and will conclude the last day of the month. We are asking the support of the student body.

There will be an award for the class with the largest amount of money. Anyone in the community wishing to make a contribution may do so by bringing it to the school, or giving it to a student to place in their class's jar.

Grand Lake couple to go to Wash. book signing

By CYNDI SELLERS

A Cameron Parish family will be in Washington D.C. on Mar. 7 for a very special book signing event. Robert and Belinda Miltenberger, currently of Grand Lake, have been invited to attend, all expenses paid, the launch of "The Long Road Home, a Story of War and Family" by Martha Raddatz, Chief White House correspondent for ABC News. The event is hosted by David Weston and George Stephanopoulos, at the home of Stephanopoulos.

Robert Miltenberger's part in a significant battle in the Iraq war is part of the book, and the reason for the invitation. He received the Silver Star for actions during a rescue operation that took place two weeks into the war.

When a platoon was ambushed in the Sadr City area of Baghdad on April 4, 2004, the 24 hour firefight that followed marked the beginning of the full-fledged Iraqi insurgency. That Palm Sunday became known as "Black Sunday." Miltenberger,

then an Army staff sergeant, became involved when his company went out to rescue another company that had gotten cut off and pinned down.

The book describes the events of that day, and the impact on the families back home, in vivid detail. Miltenberger received the Silver Star as a result of aid he rendered to the injured troops on his LMTV, a big unarmored truck with no cover for the twelve lightly armed men in the back. He was 38 at the time, old enough to be the father of most of the men in the truck.

He has been interviewed on ABC's Nightline program three times, and continues to say he didn't deserve a medal for doing his job. He feels that each soldier who was injured deserved it more.

Belinda learned about the events of April 4 after ordering a tape of the Nightline broadcast in which her husband and other soldiers described their experiences. He had never told her what it was like.

Miltenberger's retirement from the Army was delayed over a year by the war. He was to have retired in 2004, but the Army's "stop loss" program prevented his leaving once his unit was deployed to Iraq in March. He finally retired in July of 2005 and moved with his wife Belinda and two children to Cameron. Belinda is the daughter of Buddy and Thania "Thunder" Hardie, a

As everyone knows, Hurricane Rita visited Cameron in September of 2005, destroying the Miltenberger's home. The family now lives in a FEMA trailer in Grand Lake. Robert works at the Westlake Group plant in Westlake, and Belinda works at G-G's Cafe in Cameron.

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SETH THERIOT of Grand Chenier won his weight class and qualified for his first NAIA National Wrestling Tournament at a regional wrestling match held Saturday at Missouri Valley College in Marshall, MO., where Theriot is a student. Theriot defeated two other wrestlers to win his weight class.

Attorney General's office to have meeting here

Attorney General Charles Foti's Consumer Protection Division will travel to Cameron Parish on Friday, Mar. 9 to begin a series of meetings that will focus on consumers' individual insurance issues. The first meeting in the series will be held at the Cameron Parish Courthouse in Cameron on Mar. 9 at 9 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Consumers and hurricane victims are encouraged to attend to discuss particular problems they might be having in dealing with property damage claims and their insurance companies. Members of the Consumer Protection staff and AG attorneys will hear from citizens about what problems they have and offer assistance or

legal help to individuals where possible.

"The Attorney General's office has a Public Protection Division which is there to help consumers with problems in the state. We will look at the issues in the context of Consumer Protection," stated Attorney General Foti. "After meeting with the Insurance Commissioner and representatives from the insurance industry, I am particularly interested in looking at possible discrepancies between engineering reports produced by insurers and those provided by homeowners."

The meetings are free and open to the public.

For more information contact the Consumer Protection Hotline at 1-800-351-4889.

Lady Mustangs eliminated

St Joseph-Plauchevilles Lady Eagles played in Hackberry against the Lady Mustangs, Monday night. Final score was 70 to 51, the Lady Eagles favor.

Hackberry was the only Wild Card in Class C and one of four in the state to advance to the second round.

The high scorer was Allyson Sanner with 20 points, others scoring were Santana Jinks - 11 points, Carly Fountain and Kayla Sanner both with 9 points and Brooke Wing with 2 points. The Lady Mustangs coach is Lindsey Buford, a former graduate of Hackberry High School.



SANTANA JINKS #00, Carly Fountain #24, and Allyson Sanner #11 are shown going for the rebound during Monday night's game between the Hackberry Lady Mustangs and the St Joseph-Plauchevilles Lady Eagles. This is the last game for seniors Santana Jinks and Carly Fountain.

Funerals



JODY R. NUNEZ

Jody R. Nunez, 47, of Sweetlake died Saturday, Feb. 17, 2007 in Venice, in a work related accident.

Jody was born in Orange, Tex., and lived most of his life in Sweetlake. He has worked primarily all of his life in the oil field. He has been affiliated with Forest Oil Co. since 2003 as a contractor and has been an employee in operations with the company since June of 2006.

He leaves to honor his memory, his devoted wife of

14 years, Sandra Breaux Nunez of Sweetlake; one son, Russell Nunez and wife Diane of Sweetlake; two daughters, Melonie Nunez Brister and husband Micah of Lake Charles and Victoria Nunez of Big Lake; six grandchildren, Luke Brister, Rebecca Brister, Matthew Nunez, Ashton Nunez, Hunter Collette and Cameron Collette; father, Curtis Nelson and wife Velma of Big Lake; maternal grandmother, Mary LeBleu of Big Lake; two brothers, Ellis Nunez and wife Debbie and Dwayne Nunez and wife Tammy, all of Sweetlake and one sister, Brenda Guillot and husband Wayne of Denver, Colo.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Betty LeBleu Nunez LaBove.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, 2007 in the Johnson Funeral Home Chapel. Rev. Andrew Martin will officiate. Burial will be in Granger Cemetery in Grangerville. Visitation Wednesday was from 2 until 9

p.m. and will continue Thursday from 8 a.m. until the time of service in the funeral home.

Pallbearers for the service will be Jacob Nunez, Dee Nunez, Devin Nunez, Derek Nunez, Dustin Nunez, Bryant Faulk, Jeff Drounette and Bradley Granger.

Honorary pallbearers will be Brad Faulk, Nicholas Faulk, Hunter Collette, Justin Breaux, Marshal Granger and Brandon Taylor.

Words of comfort to the family may be expressed at www.johnsonfuneralhome.net.

(Paid Memorial)

EDNA MAE DOXEY

Edna Mae Doxey, 69, died Wednesday, Feb. 14, 2007, in a local hospital.

She was a native of China, Tex., and lived in Lake Charles. Mrs. Doxey was a resident fur buyer and the co-owner of Sweeney's Club and the owner of Cob Web Cafe.

Survivors include her five sons, Clyde Doxey Sr. and wife Leola, James Joseph "J.J." Doxey, both of Lake Charles, Krista Doxey, Hubern Ray Doxey Sr., Steven A. Doxey Sr. and wife Melinda, and Robert Lee Doxey Sr., all of Cameron; 10 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by husband, Ulrich "B.B." Doxey.

Her funeral was held Saturday, Feb. 17, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Sweetlake. The Rev. Joseph McGrath officiated. Burial was in First Baptist Cemetery in Cameron.

MARTHA MARIE SWIRE

Martha M. Swire, 74, died Sunday, Feb. 18, 2007, in a local hospital.

She was born in Springfield, married and moved to Grand Chenier, where she resided for over 50 years. She was a charter member of First Baptist Church in Grand Chenier.

Survivors include one son, Raphael Swire Jr. and wife Phyllis of Grand Chenier; two daughters, Melodie Swire Knippers of Sulphur and Debra Heard and husband George of Grand Chenier; one brother, J Luis Traylor of Albany; five grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 10

Memorial books told

The following memorial books have been given to the Cameron Parish Library, with the titles, honorees and donors listed in that order:

Country Cooking, Burl LaBove, Charlotte Troclair and family; On Noah's Ark, Roberta Rogers, Mike and Kay (Stewart) Miller; The Big Book of Barbecuing & Grilling, Burl LaBove, Jaimie, Tina, Christina and Jolie Boudreaux;

Betty Crocker Cookbook, Roberta Rogers, Jaimie, Tina, Christina and Jolie Boudreaux; Complete Grilling Cookbook, Ladd Wainwright, Jaimie, Tina, Christina and Jolie Boudreaux;

Simple 1-2-3 Cookies & Treats, Roberta Rogers, Judge Ward Fontenot; The Next Place, Mrs. Ethel LaBove, LeAnna and Bob Caldwell, Patricia and Kent LaBove and family, Tammy and Charles Vincent and family;

Good Housekeeping 2002 Annual Recipes, Mrs. Adenise Troclair, LeAnna and Bob Caldwell, Patricia and Kent LaBove and family, Tammy and Charles Vincent and family; Fit For a King, Roberta Rogers, Gloria Kelley.

Supt. Cecil Picard dies Thurs.; was former Cameron Senator

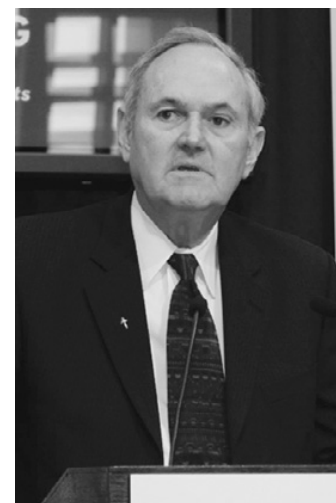
State Education Superintendent Cecil Picard, 69, died last Thursday. He had formerly been a state senator with Cameron Parish in his district until being named to state school position.

Mr. Picard was buried Monday in Maurice, his hometown, and was remembered at a funeral Mass as a dedicated instructor and leader over his career in education and state politics, which spanned nearly a half century.

Picard died from complications of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, known as Lou Gehrig's disease. He was diagnosed with the disease in May 2005.

Friends, co-workers and elected officials from across the state packed St. Alphonsus Catholic Church, while others observed the funeral Mass and eulogies from a nearby school set up from an overflow crowd. He was entombed in the St. Alphonsus mausoleum.

Picard had been the superintendent since April 1996. The Board of Elementary and



Cecil Picard

Secondary Education had voted earlier in the week to name an interim superintendent next month.

Picard had been a state senator for 18 1/2 years when BESE chose him unanimously over two other finalists to replace Ray Arveson, who was retiring.

He also had been a teacher, coach, principal and a legislative floor leader on education issues for several governors.

NSU Honor Grad told

One-thousand, one-hundred-and-ten students at Northwestern State University were named to the honor roll for the fall semester.

Students on the honor roll

must be enrolled full time and have a grade-point average for the fall semester of between 3.0 and 3.49.

Area student on the list is Tyler McKinley Augustine of Hackberry.

Spelling bee to be held at McNeese

Champion spellers will participate in the Southwest Louisiana Regional Spelling Bee, which will take place Mar. 10, at McNeese State University.

Here are the names and schools of the area spellers, by grade:

Grade three - Morgan Pimeaux, Cameron/South Cameron Elementary; Darien Bodreaux, Grand Lake High; Jaci Granger, Hackberry High; Kory Kyle, Johnson Bayou High.

Grade 4 - Kaine Badon, Cameron/South Cameron Elementary; Sheridan Smith, Grand Lake High; Justin Reon, Hackberry High; Kasa Benoit, Johnson Bayou High.

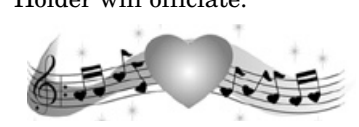
Grade 5 - Jade Nunez, Cameron/South Cameron Elementary; Tyler Beard, Grand Lake High; Mattie Stine, Hackberry High; Alexis Call, Johnson Bayou High.

Grade 6 - Logan Broussard, Cameron/South Cameron Elementary; Bobby Honeycutt, Grand Lake High; Samantha Little, Hackberry High.

Grade seven - Chan LaLande, Cameron/South Cameron Elementary; Bopyd Broussard, Grand Lake High; Meagan Johnson, Hackberry High.

Grade eight - Kaleb Conner, Grand Lake High; Damian Jinks, Johnson Bayou High.

a.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, at Hixson Funeral Home of Lake Charles. Burial will be in the Sweetlake-Grand Lake Cemetery. The Rev. David G. Holder will officiate.



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Attention all Homeowners who suffered property damage as a result of Hurricane Rita.

The Louisiana Attorney General's Office will host a meeting for homeowners to discuss particular problems they might be having in dealing with property damage claims and their insurance companies.

Friday, March 9th
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
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This meeting is free and open to the public.

All interested citizens are urged to attend. If you have any questions, please contact:

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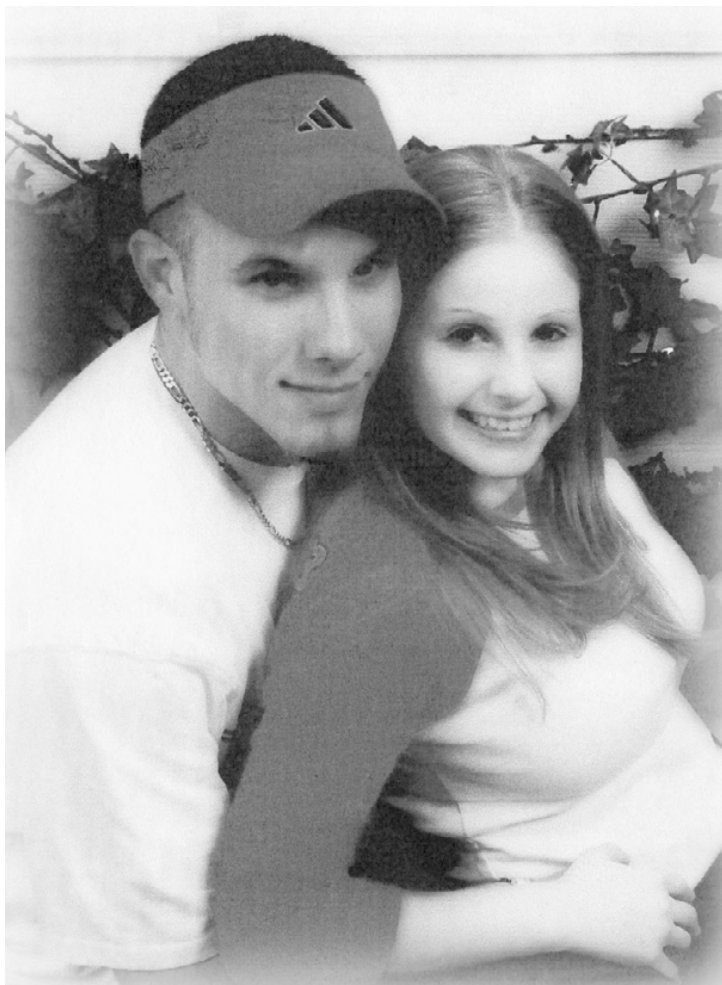
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TIMOTHY AND PENNI Parker of Tomball, Tex., formerly of Cameron, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their son, Cody Parker, to Victoria Luther, son of Tina Farley of Spring, Tex., and Allen Brown of Monroeville, Ohio. The wedding is set for Saturday, April 14 at the Iowa Community Center in Iowa at 2 p.m. Through this means, friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Lunch menus for Feb. 26 - Mar. 1

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

Friday, Feb. 23 - Pizza cheese, corn on cob, tossed salad, fresh fruit cup, salad dressing.

Monday, Feb. 26 - Chicken nuggets, baked potato, tossed salad, gingerbread, wheat sliced bread, salad dressing, barbeque sauce.

Tuesday, Feb. 27 - Sloppy Joe, corn on cob, oven fries, oatmeal cookies, catsup, hamburger bun.

Wednesday, Feb. 28 - Country fried steak, mashed potatoes, chilled pear halves, brown gravy, peanut butter spread, wheat rolls.

Thursday, Mar. 1 - Baked chicken, rice, blackeyed peas, fresh fruit cup, brown gravy, wheat biscuits.

It Seems Just Like Yesterday

By Keith Hambrick



(Cameron Pilot, Feb. 21, 1974)
BONNIE & CLYDE FIND NEW HOME
 By GENEVA GRIFFITH
 Bonnie and Clyde are two lucky little otters. The pair has found security and a home with the J. A. Miller family in Creole.

Arceneaux Boudreaux, a Creole trapper who traps the Little Pecan area, came upon the newborn motherless baby otters and called Mrs. J. A. Miller, who he knew would provide a good home for the furry animals.

Mrs. Miller took them home, rigged up an incubator and assumed the role of mother to the tiny babies. Her new charges required constant care and put her in a quandary. She had just won the women's championship in the ladies' fur skinning contest at the Louisiana Fur and Wildlife Festival which included, among other prizes, an all-expense trip to the National Outdoor Show in Cambridge, Maryland.

She loved her new charges so much that she decided she could not go off and leave them in charge of anyone else, so she gave her trip to the second-place winner, Mrs. Jerry Theriot. Mrs. Theriot went on to Cambridge and won the World Championship title.

PERRY GETS AWARD

J. Burton Angelle, Director of Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, announced that Guthrie Perry, biologist with the Refuge Division, recently received a top award at the Sixth Annual Convention of the Catfish Farmers of America in Memphis, Tenn.

Perry obtained the Best Research Paper award for his work entitled "Polyculture" which described the results of recent catfish pond culture research conducted at the Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge, Grand Chenier.

OFFICERS INSTALLED

New officers of the Creole Extension Homemakers Club were installed at the club's February meeting held recently in the Oak Grove fellowship hall.

They are: Mrs. Robert Ortego, president; Mrs. John M. Theriot, first vice-president; Mrs. Clifford Myers, second vice-president; Mrs. M. C. West, third vice-president and reporter; Mrs. Harold Carter, secretary; Mrs. Robert Wicke, treasurer; and Mrs. Horace Montie, parliamentarian.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED

Seven new members received the admission degree into the J. P. Boudoin Knights of Columbus Council Thursday. They are Dale

LeBoeuf, Rod Landry, Kirk Landry, Sidney Theriot, Billy Richard, Paul Miller, and Big Nunez.

Lassain Primeaux was honored as Knight of the Month for his continued devotion to his church and council.

Scoutmaster Columbus Conner reported the scout troop, sponsored by the council, was progressing with eleven members recently attaining the Eagle Award.

OFFICERS NAMED

Linda Noel, daughter of Mrs. Margie Noel of Cameron, was elected president of the newly organized St. Rose of Lima Catholic Youth Organization.

Elected to serve with her are: Keith LaSalle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elry LaSalle, Jr., vice-president; and Linda Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Iris Jones, secretary.

Adult advisors are Mrs. Lavine Harmon, Mrs. Edith Bishop, Charlie January, and Jimmy LaSalle, Sr.

Instructors are Miss Sandra Miller, Mrs. Caroline Bargeman and Msgr. M. J. Bernard.

STUDENTS ARE NAMED

Hackberry High School students have been selected as Outstanding Teenagers of America for 1974, according to John A. Debarge, principal.

They are: David Allen Hinton, Dani Sheffield, Jennifer Marie Frey, and Cheryl Ann Schexnider.

BLACK MARDI GRAS

The second annual Black Mardi Gras celebration hosted by Larry January will be held Mar. 2 at 7 p.m. in the Audrey Memorial Gym.

Mary Ann January and Oscar Cox, reigning queen and king, will crown the winners.

Queen contestants include Alina Jones, Shirley Moore, JoAnn, Henrietta, Barbara Nell and Rosemary Frank, Linda Noel, and Faye January.

Keith LaSalle, Charles Cole, Marvin and Melvin LaSalle, Soloman Savoy, Melvin LeBlanc, and Nelson Andrews will vie for king.

ROUNDABOUT THE PARISH

Coast Guard Engineman First Class F. J. Babin, husband of the former Miss Sarah Morgan of Hackberry, returned from 36 days of ice-breaking in the Straits of Mackinac on board the polar icebreaker Southwind, homeported at Milwaukee, Wis.

The Hackberry team, coached by Gerald Landry and Robert Hewitt, won the parish peewee basketball tournament Saturday at the Hackberry gym. Billy Little made the all-tournament team.

field representative; Miss Sarah Jones and Miss Kathryn Adams. Miss Jones did much of the work in setting up the library.

Miss Lily McGehee was named as the first parish librarian but she stayed only until November when Mrs. Mary Brand was named librarian. She was to continue as librarian for some years.

In March 1960 the citizens of Cameron Parish expressed their overwhelming support of the library by passing a two-mill maintenance tax by a 4-1 majority. The tax carried in every precinct of the parish.

At the end of June, Cameron Parish took over the operation of the library. Mrs. Charles Hebert, library board president, reported that the library had more than 2000 registered users and had checked out more than 68,000 books during its first two years.

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LIBRARY
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Construction of the library came about through the efforts of the Louisiana Junior Chamber of Commerce (Jaycees) who raised \$12,000 through a statewide appeal.

Jaycee chapters from around the country sent in donations of \$520 which were turned over to the fund for constructing the library.

The building was constructed of concrete blocks and had 1600 square feet of floor space. The Cameron Parish School Board donated a 70 by 105 foot lot, a corner of the Cameron Elementary School property, as the library site.

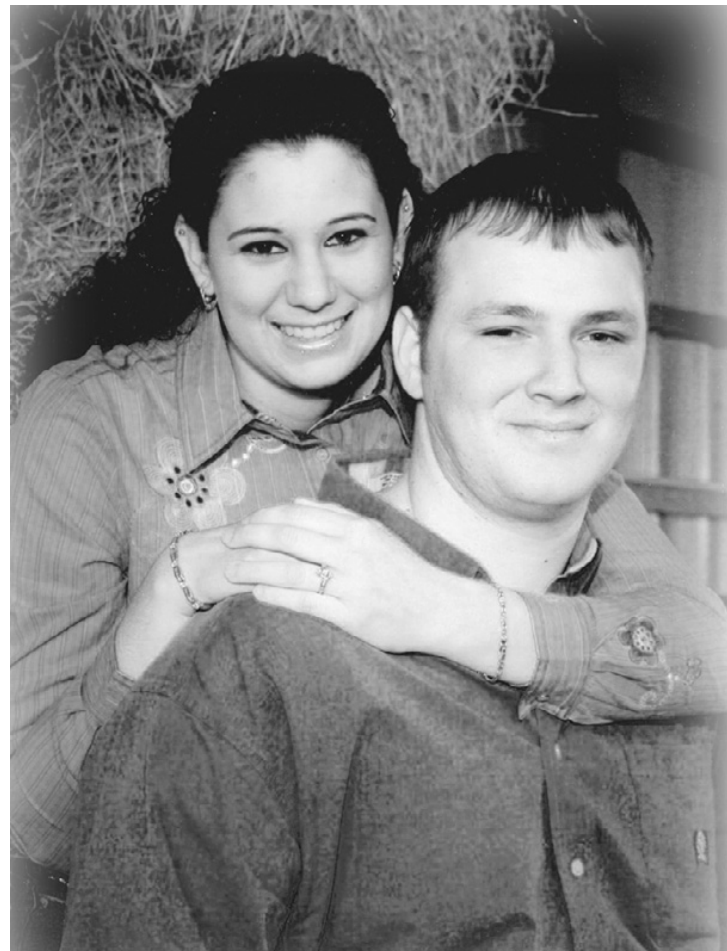
The Louisiana State Library agreed to stock the library with 8,000 books, provide a bookmobile and personnel for a two year period after which a maintenance tax would be needed.

On June 27, barely two months after construction had begun, the library was open and dedication ceremonies were held.

Members of the original library board were Mrs. Conway LeBleu, Mrs. Charles H. Precht, Mrs. Ann Mae Sanner, Mrs. Emma Nunez and Donald Broussard. Eraste Hebert, police jury president, was an ex-officio member.

Dyson Lumber Co. of Cameron was the contractor.

The State Library was represented at the opening by Mrs. Essae M. Culver, state librarian; Miss Sallie Farrel,



RANDY AND ELLEN Harrington of Holmwood announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Terri Nicole Harrington, to Nathan Paul Huffman, son of John and Anita Nunez of Lake Charles. The wedding is set for Saturday, March 24 at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Bell City at 1 p.m. A reception will follow at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Iowa. Through this means, friends and relatives are invited to attend.



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GRAND LAKE COUPLE

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The children, Gannon and Jacee, attend South Cameron High School. Belinda says they have just finalized their SBA loan and can now begin to repair her parents' home in Cameron, which they have purchased.

Robert and Belinda have been married 17 years, and through those years his unit was deployed to Kuwait, Kosovo, Korea, and Germany. Their son attended twelve

schools from kindergarten to fifth grade. Between deployments, the family lived on base at Ft. Polk, Ft. Benning, Ft. Hood, and for two years in Germany. When he was out of the country, Belinda and the kids came back to Cameron.

She gives one description of the life of an Army wife: "We were posted to Germany for three years. When we arrived, our car, furnishings, and luggage did not. Ten days later Robert was sent to Kosovo. Our son was six weeks old. We went back to Cameron for the nine months he was in Kosovo, then back to Germany for two years. It was the longest we were ever in one place."

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CHANGING WEATHER

We don't need weather reports anymore, just three to four days of rain, two days of cold weather and two days of back to the muggies with southeast winds and some sunshine.

It's not bad going to the duck blind on those cold, rainy mornings, but to hit the lake going fishing on those days is quite a different story.

The Arctic air bites so to try and stay warm, it takes a pair of long johns, sweat shirt, jeans, coveralls and then a jumpsuit to hold the body heat, but you got to cover up those old ears, enough socks to keep the feet warm and cutoff gloves so you can feel the fishing line, yet you're still cold, you think. But, when you crank up the motor and run at high speed to your next spot, that's when you know you're cold, and a small splash of water in the face really gets your goat. Something else that doesn't help is the frontal system that brings a high barometric pressure and we call this "Bluebird Days". Cold fronts will surely make the fish less active, so hits are few and far between.

There's one thing on those type of days you won't see, lots of boats, jet skis, water skiing and no mosquitoes. Folks don't call us "dumb", we're called "dumber."

"D" BIG PONDS

Toledo Bend has risen around 11 feet in the last 2 1/2 months, it's now at 172.19 at this writing, the highest it's been since spring of 2004. This will help attract more anglers and more tournaments. Sam Rayburn is full to the brim, about three feet above, my son-in-law made a trip last weekend, caught fish on Rayburn, but it was slow.

AREA FISHING

The Mermentau River in the Grand Chenier Mud Lake area is producing some nice catfish as well as the Intracoastal Canal both east and west of the Gibbstown Bridge.

Big Lake is still having its ups and downs, mainly the weather. There's fish, but fishing has been better from Hebert's Landing towards the southeast of the lake, especially if you're looking to catch redfish.

BOAT SHOWS

This is the time of the year if anglers want to get good deals on boats, fishing and outdoor gear and accessories, attend one of the boat shows in our area. Feb. 2-4 Cajundome Convention Center in Lafayette or the one here in Lake Charles on Feb. 23-25, where there will also be RV's to look at.

LEMESCHE BASS CLUB

The Lemesche Bass Club will hold their first meeting of 2007 on Monday, Feb. 5 at 6:30 p.m. according to President Carl Broussard. For more information, contact Carl at 775-5316 or 794-9533.

OFFSHORE

It's been a rough winter for deepsea anglers, however, our sportsfishermen and commercial fishermen have more worries than rough seas.

Anglers sent in their complaints to the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council about over-fishing, and the cuts to be made for both groups. This will surely be a rough blow to sportsfishermen and charterboats. The latest talks on recreational anglers are:

Only two red snappers per day, a shorter season of maybe 60 days and reducing the red snapper quotas for commercial to 3.3 million pounds and recreational quota of 3.2 million pounds, for a total catch of 6.5 million pounds, which is about 1/3 of last year's quota.

Then the captain of charter boats couldn't tag a limit, reduce the commercial size from 15 with minimum length to 13 inches, establish a red snapper by catch mortality reduction for our shrimpers. "Over-Fishing" is the word. I say this, let those recreational anglers catch red

Livestock show champions told

Hundreds of young people from across Louisiana were named state champions during the 72nd Annual LSU AgCenter 4-H and FFA Livestock Show Feb. 10-17 at the Lamar-Dixon Expo Center in Gonzales.

The competitors qualified for the state show by first participating in parish and district livestock shows across Louisiana. At the state show, 3,130 young people competed with 5,708 animals, according to reports from the LSU AgCenter Livestock Show office.

Dr. Paul Coreil, vice chancellor of the LSU AgCenter, said the livestock show demonstrates some of the best qualities of the state and the AgCenter's programs.

"What we get to see here is the result of years of hard work on the part of these 4-H and FFA members," Coreil said. "But we also see the support of parents, teachers, volunteer leaders and others who helped them along the way."

Following is a list of winners from Cameron Parish in

various livestock categories and their home parishes and 4-H or FFA affiliation:

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Champion Red Brangus Bull - Joel Rogers, Cameron 4-H.

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

J. B. Lady Rebels win bi-district

By CHRIS & LAURIE MUELLER

Charmayne Barrentine led the Johnson Bayou Lady Rebels with 25 points as they knocked off Phoenix 85-30 in the class C bi-district round of the playoffs. Tabitha Harrington chipped in 16 points and Shaylyn Broussard added 14 points. Eden Broussard scored 13 points.

The Lady Rebels, winning their first playoff game since 2002, lost to Hicks in the regionals on Monday night by a score of 54-35.

snappers 12 inches minimum legally and we'd have less deep hooked snappers shorter than the legal recreational minimum 16 inches legal length, thrown back in to die. I know anglers want bigger fish, but some anglers including myself love the small red snapper, those we used to be able to keep, years ago.

Hackberry Lady Mustangs lose at regional

By CHRIS & LAURIE MUELLER

The Hackberry Lady Mustangs entered the girls basketball playoffs as a wild card against Grand Isle, the first place team from district 10C. The Lady Mustangs jumped out to a 17-9 first quarter lead and led the entire game for a 79-50 win and advance to the regional round of the playoffs.

Brooke Wing paced the Lady Mustangs with 22 points and Allison Sanner chipped in 19. Santana Jinks scored 14 points and Carly Fountain added 11. On Monday night, Hackberry saw their season come to an end as they lost to St. Joseph's 70-51.



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Wildlife refuge to open March 15

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Fishing is opening at Sabine NWR for the first time since Hurricane Rita, however, not all areas will be open. Only areas accessible by boat from launches off-refuge will be opening Mar. 15. This includes refuge areas accessible from Sabine Lake and Black Bayou on the western side and from Calcasieu Lake on the eastern side. All recreational areas, boat launches, and canals along Highway 27 will remain closed to all activities until repairs are completed.

Boats with outboard motors of 40 horsepower or

less may be used in Sabine's Unit 3 impoundment, however, the boat carts formerly used to lift boats across the levee into the impoundment have not been replaced. Boats that are less than 59 inches wide will be able to enter the impoundment from the Northline Canal through the water spillway.

Sabine's hours have changed to permit boat access from one hour before legal sunrise to one hour after legal sunset, however, all permitted activities such as fishing and crabbing may only occur from sunrise to sunset.

Fishing areas at Cameron Prairie NWR include Bank Fishing Road, Outfall Canal, and East Cove Unit when the Grand Bayou Boat Bay is open. Anglers can check on the status of the boat bay openings by calling 598-4235. Refuge hours are legal sunrise to legal sunset.

Cast netting on Cameron Prairie (East Cove Unit only) and Sabine will be permitted only during the Louisiana

Inland Shrimp season. Cast netting hours at Sabine are set from noon to sunset. Possession of all applicable Louisiana fishing licenses is required to cast net on the refuges. Cast net size will follow state regulation which is a maximum of an 8.5 foot radius.

Lacassine NWR is open from one hour before legal sunrise to one hour after legal sunset. Boats with outboard motors of 25 horsepower or less may be used in Lacassine Pool. Lacassine's roads have been improved since last year and visitors are asked to obey all speed limits to reduce vehicle-caused wildlife mortality. The water level is at full pool.

Safety Warning - Motorboat travel on the refuges may be hazardous due to changed geography, underwater or floating debris, narrow boat runs, rough water, limited visibility, fog, vegetation, blind crossings, and swells or wakes from other watercraft. Please practice good boating and safety habits, observe and obey "No Wake Zones", and respect the rights of fellow fishermen and refuge visitors. Please do not litter and take off the refuge what you take on.

Fishing regulation

brochures for all the Southwest Louisiana National Wildlife Refuges - Cameron Prairie, Lacassine and Sabine have been compiled into one fishing brochure. This brochure will be available on the main page of our Refuge Complex website at <http://www.fws.gov/swlarefuge> complex under the Fishing link after Feb. 21, and hard copies will be available after Mar. 5. Anglers may call the refuge at 598-2216 to have a copy mailed or may pick one up at kiosks located near open refuge launches.



Visit the SWLA National Wildlife Refuge

Softball scores

By CHRIS & LAURIE MUELLER

Hackberry 10, Hamilton Christian 0 - Amber Byler fanned the first 13 of 16 batters she faced as the Lady Mustangs opened their season with a shutout. Top hitters were Byler, 3-3 with a triple and Samantha Little, 2-4 and 2 RBIs.

Grand Lake 11, Pitkin 6 - Brandy Carroll was on the mound for the Lady Hornets. Top hitters were Carroll, 3-4 with a triple; Haley Pesson, 3-4 with a triple; and Rebecca Monceaux, 2-2.

Grand Lake Yearbook on sale now

The Grand Lake Elementary Yearbook is currently on sale. The cost is \$15. The Elementary Yearbook will cover grades Pre-K through 5th grade. If you have not already ordered yours, time is running out. The deadline to order a yearbook is Mar. 30.

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Students from Sacred Heart of Jesus/Saint Katharine Drexel Catholic School offered their interpretive reading of a selection from Douglas Wood entitled "Old Turtle." The students portrayal at last week's Social Justice Paralyturgy held at Our Lady of Prompt Succor Church noted that we are called to cherish every living thing and to care for the Earth, Sea, and Air for God's fingerprints are on each of us and in the beauty of all the Earth. According to the students, we are called to celebrate God's all inclusive Presence and to listen to the wisdom in us, through us and around us.

Social justice theme of annual paralyturgy

SULPHUR — Fourth and fifth grade students from the seven Catholic elementary schools of the Diocese of Lake Charles, along with their counterparts from Bishop Noland Episcopal Day School, took part in the seventh Social Justice Paralyturgy at Our Lady of Prompt Succor Church.

Hosted by Our Lady's School, the event had the young people praying together, listening to the word of God, singing, performing interpretive readings, and acting out themed plays, all dealing with the social teachings of the Church.

The creative event is hosted each year by a different Catholic School. The Episcopal Day School joined in three years ago, according to Denise Donahoe, Director of the Office of Religious Education of the Diocese.

The theme of this year's event was "Gathered in Love, United Through Justice, We Are One Sacred Community." The Rev. Joe Gosselin, M.S., pastor of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, presided.

Catholic Social teaching revolves around seven key themes, the life and dignity of the human person, call to family, community and participation, rights and responsibilities, preferential option for the poor and vulnerable, the dignity of work and the rights of the workers, solidarity, and care for God's creation.

These themes were brought

forth by the United States Bishops in a 1998 document, "Sharing Catholic Social Teaching: Challenges and Directions."

The document is a response to the urgent need in this country to strengthen our commitment to share the social teachings of the Catholic Church tradition at every level of Catholic education and faith formation. It reminds us that the social teachings of the Catholic Church are a central and essential element of our faith. These teachings are based on and inseparable from our understanding of human life and human dignity. They aim to instill the common good - the social structures and conditions that assure all people basic human dignity and allow them to fulfill their human potential

In 1999, Bishop Jude Speyrer formed a Diocesan Task Force for Social Justice Education to study the document and recommend concrete goals and objectives to respond to the challenges. The task force developed a continuous program of social justice education on three goals; each implemented in consecutive years. Those goals are respect for the human person, respect for the human person in the community, and respect for the human community in the global order.

The year's event, coordinated by Mrs. Tanya France, brought to a culmination of social justice education in the schools focusing on respecting one another in the community. Next year's event will be hosted by Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic School.

Abrazando Cristo mission trip set June 27 - July 4

DERIDDER - The 2007 Abrazando Cristo mission trip to Managua, Nicaragua will be June 27 through July 4, according to the Rev. Daniel Torres, pastor of St. Joseph Church and Director of Abrazando Cristo.

The cost of the trip is \$1,500 per person. The tour price includes all bus transportation, roundtrip airfare from Houston, motel, food, tips

and a shirt.

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Dear People of God,

One of the songs we sing during the Lenten season is The Glory of These Forty Days. The words of the first verse include: "For Christ Himself has fasted and has prayed."

This Sunday, the First Sunday of Lent, our Gospel reading focuses on Jesus, filled with the Holy Spirit following His baptism, being led into the desert where he fasted and prayed. You and I are on a journey through these forty days of Lent. We are invited to fast - to empty ourselves and to be disposed to God; and to pray - to seek guidance and enlightenment. During this period we will be TESTED as Jesus was tempted by the devil during His time in the desert. We usually perceive temptation as a negative force pulling us away from God. However, I would like to suggest that our faith being tested can be seen as a strengthening of our belief. Where our heart is, that is where our faith is. If we are rooted in our faith in Jesus Christ and we are committed to seeking God's will for our lives, then when times of temptation occur, they can be seen as opportunities to re-dedicate ourselves to God and what He wants from us.

Prayer and fasting are our resolve to strengthen our relationship with God. Each day during this Lenten journey we re-commit ourselves to drawing closer to God. What is God's invitation to you this Lenten season? We cannot respond to God, put into action our faith, unless we are enlightened by what He wants for us. PRAYER becomes that opportunity to LISTEN to God; FASTING "empties" us physically to realize how the Lord "fills" us with His blessings, with a direction in our lives, with guidance when we are open to His will for us.

I pray that this Lent will find each of us growing in our relationship with our loving God who gave His life for us. May God bless you with His grace along this journey.

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Kathy Owen, left, Director of the Office of Family Life and Pro Life for the Diocese of Lake Charles; Evangeline Ordinario, center, president of the board of New Life Counseling, Inc, and Bobbie LeBlanc, secretary of the Office of Family Life and Pro-Life handed out candles at the recent candlelight prayer service held in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on the 34th anniversary of the Roe v Wade Supreme Court decision making abortion legal. More than 44,000,000 babies have been killed through abortion since the 1973 decision.

Tribunal resolves question of marriages' validity

LAKE CHARLES - One of the most active ministries of the Diocese of Lake Charles is the Tribunal. It is the court that resolves questions about marriage situations, according to Msgr. Jace Eskind, Judicial Vicar.

The Judicial Vicar is the person designated by the Bishop to oversee the operation of the tribunal. Serving as adjutant Judicial Vicar is the Rev. Bert Borel. Both Msgr. Eskind and Fr. Borel are also judges. The Rev. James Doyle serves as the Defender of the Bond and Bonnie Landry is a Judge.

Fathers Eskind and Borel as well as Landry hold Licentiate in Canon Law from St. Paul University in Ottawa, Canada as well as Masters Degrees from the University of Ottawa in Canon Law. Bishop Jude Speyrer dispatched the trio to Canada in 1996 to study and they graduated with the double degrees in 1998.

Landry recently returned to Lake Charles after working for the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux's Tribunal. She will be full-time in the office, according to Msgr. Eskind. Both Msgr. Eskind and Father Borel are pastors of parishes, Msgr. Eskind at St. John Bosco in Westlake and Fr. Borel at St. John Vianney in Bell City.

"Bonnie will handle day to day running of the office," Msgr. Eskind said. "She will be the fulltime person in the office, in addition to Debbie Foreman (the secretary and Notary for the office) because Father Bert and I are kind of split as to time."

During 2006, the Tribunal completed 78 cases, according to the annual report of the office. It began the year with 133 active cases, added 59 new cases during the year, and ended the year with 119 active cases.

The Tribunal sees many different types of cases, according to Msgr. Eskind.

"I think a lot of people, when they think of an annulment, they think every marital situa-

tion that is resolved is given an annulment. It's not."

Every case is reviewed by a judge and just like in any court there are players who could be likened to prosecutors (Defender of the Bond) and defense attorneys (Advocates).

"The validity of the marriage is on trial," Msgr. Eskind said. "Father Doyle serves as the Defender of the Bond. His job is to uphold the marital bond. He points out all the reasons that the marriage is valid from the beginning. The advocates work on behalf of the parties. Their job is to point out all the reasons why the marriage should be declared invalid. It is the judge who reviews this and then makes the decision based on the evidence and those reports."

From the church's standpoint every marriage is considered valid until proven otherwise, Msgr. Eskind noted.

"The presumption is, if two people stood, especially when you are dealing with Catholics, before a priest and they pronounced their vows and there were two witnesses, the marriage is presumed to be valid," he said. "The evidence presented to the tribunal has to overturn that presumption. In the case of non-Catholics, if you have two people who were baptized into any religion, that becomes a sacramental bond, no matter who marries them. The presumption again is it is a valid marriage and the evidence must show otherwise."

Such a situation is what is termed a "formal case" and requires a full investigation. The validity in some cases that come to the Tribunal is easier to determine.

"There are different types of cases and I think this is where a lot of people get a little confused," Msgr. Eskind continued. "We have what is known as 'lack of form' cases, where a Catholic party marries somebody by a justice of the peace or in another Church without the proper permissions. Basically, the form of mar-

riage for Catholics is to another Catholic in the presence of a priest and two witnesses. When that doesn't happen then that marriage lacks the form. We also have what is known as defective form, where the form took place - like maybe they got married in the Catholic Church or they got married in another Church with the proper permissions but there was something that wasn't done properly in that form - such as one of the parties was not baptized and they didn't get the proper dispensation.

"Such cases are easier to work with and they are quicker as opposed to the formal case which takes a longer time. I think people kind of get confused by some of that because they think well 'so and so' got their annulment in two weeks whereas it takes me two years and they don't understand the difference."

According to Msgr. Eskind, the cases have a certain process they follow.

"A lot of it depends on timely responses and the quality of the responses," he said. "Sometimes if you need more information, it means that you have to call people in and interview them. All those things take time because you would then have to transcribe the interview. The gathering of information can take a while. All formal cases that are heard on 'psychological grounds,' and that would be lack of discretion of judgement or some incapacity on the part of one or both parties to assume marriage or to live out marriage, have to be reviewed by a psychological expert and so even that takes time and slows up the process."

Even after a case has been decided on the Diocesan level, the process is not complete.

"Every formal case that receives an affirmative decision in Lake Charles has a mandatory appeal to our 'second instance' court, which is the court of appeal in New Orleans," Msgr. Eskind said. "They review our findings and decide if they concur with our decision or if they reach a different decision. Also, if we give a case a negative decision here it can be

appealed to the New Orleans court. All cases can always be appealed to Rome. In order for the decision to become effective, there have to be two concurring decisions. If we give it an affirmative in Lake Charles and New Orleans gives it an affirmative, then it's affirmative. If we give it an affirmative and New Orleans gives it a negative then it has to go to Rome for a third decision. The two decisions that agree, that's the binding decision."

Those who need of an annulment or would like to know more, should contact their pastor or the parish staff. A parish priest or in some instances a deacon or a lay associate will help the person fill out the forms and answer questions about the process.

"Cases are submitted on behalf of people," Msgr. Eskind said. "They are submitted on the local level (the parish) and then they are submitted to the tribunal by the parish on the person's behalf."

There is a cost associated with the annulment process but Msgr. Eskind cautions that the money only helps to defray some of the expenses involved in the process.

"The cost is \$350 but we estimate that some cases can take as much as \$700 to \$800, when you look at the postage involved in the required contact between all the parties and the amount we spend on fees to the psychological expert," he said. "Just the cost in reproducing testimony can be large. There is also a fee to have the appeal in New Orleans."

"Many people are under the impression that they paying for their annulment but they are not," Msgr. Eskind said. "They are really helping to pay for the cost of conducting the investigation. If a person can not pay, all it takes is a letter from their pastor and the case is heard pro bono and the diocese absorbs the cost."

Msgr. Eskind noted that anyone seeking additional information can go to the Diocese of Lake Charles website (lcdioocese.org). "Just click on the Resources button," he said.

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NOTICE

GRAND LAKE Area: Established daycare has 1-2 positions available. For more info, call Andrea at 598-4665. 2/21p.

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NOTICE

NOTICE FOR BIDS Cameron Parish Gravity Drainage District No. 3 has authorized the sale of a 1998 Chevrolet S-10 1/2 Ton pickup truck, VIN# 1GCCS1445W8125807 to the highest bidder. Bids will be opened at the next regularly scheduled meeting at 2:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 20, 2007. Please send written bids on plain paper, including name and contact phone number to Cameron Parish Gravity Drainage NO. 3, P. O. Box 1067, Cameron, LA 70631. The truck can be seen at Recreation Center Lane behind the Courthouse in Cameron. For more information call (337) 905-1146. You do not have to be present at bid opening. F-44 (Run 2/15)



LANDSCAPING IS being installed at the Cameron Library in preparation for the Grand Opening on Monday. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

All-American roses are announced by LSU

With the start of the new year comes the announcement of the All-America Rose Selections. AARS winners for 2007 are Rainbow Knock Out, Moondance and Strike It Rich.

Late winter and early spring is the perfect time to plant roses, according to LSU AgCenter horticulturist Dr. Allen Owings. Most retail garden centers have the best availability of rose varieties from February through April.

Rainbow Knock Out is the newest color addition to the Knock Out varieties. It is even more productive and disease-resistant than its famous parent. It is a bushy, compact landscape shrub rose with short stems bearing glossy, dark green leaves. Abundant blooms are single-form flowers that start as pointed buds and appear throughout the growing season. The delicate, 2-inch, five-petaled flowers are a deep coral-pink with a yellow center finishing nicely to light coral.

Rainbow Knock Out produces late for a lovely fall bloom. Although it does not exhibit a strong fragrance, the petals emit a delicate, sweetbriar scent.

"This rose is suitable for container growing in small spaces, reaches 4-5 feet tall

and is a perfect accent to any garden," Owings says.

The Knock Out family includes the original variety (with cherry red flowers), Pink Knock Out, Blushing Knock Out and Double Knock Out (double form, cherry red flowers). Double Pink Knock Out debuts next fall.

Moondance is a floribunda rose characterized by large clusters of creamy white, beautifully formed flowers contrasted by very glossy, dark green foliage. Upright and well-branched, it is an extremely vigorous, tall plant with stems that are typically 14-18 inches long. Rose buds are pointed and oval, leading to high-centered flowers of about 25 petals each that open flat to more than 3 inches in diameter. Moondance has an exceptionally delightful, spicy fragrance for a white floribunda. Its impressive long stems can be arranged into an elegant bouquet for displaying in the home.

A modern version of the classic 1950 AARS award-winner Sutter's Gold, Strike It Rich resembles its famous ancestor with its strong, spicy fragrance and elegant buds of deep golden-yellow swirled with ruby red. Owings says this contemporary cousin is much easier to grow because

of its great disease-resistance and strong natural vigor. This true grandiflora bears loads of long-stemmed blossoms offset by very dark green leaves and unusual, deep red stems.

A medium-tall upright bush, Strike It Rich boasts clusters of awesome double and informal flowers that are up to 5 inches in diameter with about 30 petals each. The flowers are long-lived and retain their blend of gold, orange and red tones to the very end. The blooms are stunning in the landscape.

For related gardening and landscape information, click on the Lawn and Garden link at the LSU AgCenter Web site, www.lsuagcenter.com. Also, contact the county agent in your local parish LSU AgCenter office.



Looks like a brighter season for crawfish

By KEVIN SAVOIE

Keep the propane tank filled, and stock up on corn, potatoes and seasonings. After a dismal crawfish season in 2006, things are looking much brighter for 2007.

Good catches were reported as early as December and should continue as we warm up into spring.

Crawfish acreage this year is slightly lower than recent years at about 100,000 acres of crawfish ponds. Last year, Louisiana's pond-raised crawfish, which were harvested from about 117,000 acres, had a gross farm value of \$40 million, according to the LSU AgCenter's Louisiana Summary of Agriculture and Natural Resources. However, if you recall last year's season, crawfish were in short supply and quite expensive. This was due to the drought and hurricanes of 2005.

The real difference for this year's production has been good rainfall which began in July and continued fairly regularly. Crawfish producers also received an added bonus in mid-October when heavy rains filled ponds, irrigation canals, and helped to flush any salt left over from the hurricane storm surge.

What happens in the summer affects the outcome of the spring's crawfish crop. Dry summers have devastated the crawfish industry in the past, but this summer stayed wet enough to encourage good survival and reproduction in the crawfish burrows.

Crawfish can live out of

water for short periods of time as long as there is adequate moisture to keep their gills wet. So, during prolonged dry periods, crawfish will burrow down to the water table to maintain this moisture. When the water table gets too low for crawfish to burrow down to, such as in droughts, survival and reproduction is reduced lowering the following season's catch.

Another factor which stimulated the early season production was the mild winter experienced until the first week of January. When water temperatures stay above 50 degrees, crawfish are more active, feeding and growing quite rapidly. Regular rains have helped to keep ponds refreshed and water quality has stayed good.

As we warm up into spring, the traditional Louisiana crawfish boil should be a frequent, affordable event for the 2007 crawfish season.

(Savoie is a natural resources and fisheries agent based in Lake Charles for the Louisiana Sea Grant Program and the Louisiana State University AgCenter. He can be reached at ksavoie@agcenter.lsu.edu. His column can also be found at <http://www.seagrantfish.lsu.edu/resource/s/index.html>.)



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James W. Little, Jr.
Permit Application Number
MVN-2005-3814-WII

State of Louisiana
Department of Environmental Quality
Office of Environmental Services

Post Office Box 4313
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821-4313
(225) 219-0957
Project Manager
Jamie Phillippe
WQC Application Number
JP 060202-02

Interested parties are hereby notified that a permit application has been received by the New Orleans District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers pursuant to: [X] Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of March 3, 1899 (30 Stat. 1151; 33 USC 403); and/or [X] Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (86 Stat. 816; 33 USC 1344).

Application has also been made to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Environmental Services, for a Water Quality Certification (WQC) in accordance with statutory authority contained in LRS 30:2074 A(3) and provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (P.L.95-17).

NATURAL GAS PIPELINE IN CAMERON PARISH
NAME OF APPLICANT: CHENIERE CREOLE TRAIL PIPELINE, LP
LOCATION OF WORK: Within a pipeline corridor beginning at the community of Johnson's Bayou, thence extending eastward for approximately 18.1 miles terminating at the proposed Cheniere Creole Trail LNG Terminal on the western bank of the Calcasieu River Ship Channel, near Cameron, Louisiana, in Cameron Parish

CHARACTER OF WORK: Clear rights-of-way, conduct trenching operations, temporarily stockpile 297,286 cubic yards of excavated material to be used as backfill, dredge flotation canals and perform horizontal directional drilling operations, all as necessary to install, operate and maintain 18.1 miles of 42-inch pipeline and associated structures to include meter and regulation facilities, pig launcher and receiver facilities and 3 mainline valves. All work as previously described is required to receive and transport natural gas resources between the permitted Cheniere Sabine Pass LNG facility and the proposed Cheniere Creole Trail LNG Facility. The proposed project is a modification to the Cheniere Creole Trail LNG Terminal and Pipeline project that went on joint public notice on March 24, 2006. Project implementation would impact approximately 96 acres of jurisdictional emergent wetlands.

COMMENT PERIOD: The comment period for the Department of the Army Permit and the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality WQC will close 30 days from the date of this joint public notice. Written comments, including suggestions for modifications or objections to the proposed work, stating reasons thereof, are being solicited from anyone having interest in this permit and/or this WQC request and must be mailed so as to be received before or by the last day of the comment period. Letters concerning the Corps of Engineers permit application must reference the applicant's name and the Permit Application Number, and be mailed to the Corps of Engineers at the address above, ATTENTION: REGULATORY BRANCH. Similar letters concerning the Water Quality Certification must reference the applicant's name and the WQC Application number and be mailed to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality at the address above.

The application for this proposed project is on file with the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality and may be examined during weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Copies may be obtained upon payment of costs of reproduction.

Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

The applicant has certified that the proposed activity described in the application complies with and will be conducted in a manner that is consistent with the Louisiana Coastal Resources Program. The Department of the Army Permit will not be issued unless the applicant received approval or a waiver of the Coastal Use Permit by the Department of Natural Resources.

You are requested to communicate the information contained in this notice to any other parties whom you deem likely to have interest in the matter.

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General Location Map
Segment 1 Project
Cameron Parish, LA

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Legal Notices

IN THE CIVIL DISTRICT COURT FOR THE PARISH OF ORLEANS, STATE OF LOUISIANA, DIV. B, SEC. 15, JEFFREY OHLER V. DR. JACQUELINE CLEGGETT-LUCAS, ET AL., CIVIL ACTION NO. 2001-13691 NOTICE OF DISMISSAL OF CLASS ACTION CLAIMS

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On or about September 4, 2001, Jeffrey Ohler filed a First Supplemental and Amending Petition that asserted a demand for class action relief in case no. 2001-13691 in the Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, on behalf of himself and others similarly situated; against defendants Purdue Pharma L.P., Purdue Pharma Inc., The Purdue Frederick Company, and Abbott Laboratories, Inc. (the "lawsuit"). The lawsuit sought damages resulting from use of the prescription drug OxyContin®.

On January 31, 2007, the court entered an Order DISMISSING all of the class action claims against Purdue Pharma L.P., Purdue Pharma Inc., The Purdue Frederick Company, and Abbott Laboratories, Inc. Any suspended prescriptive or limitations periods applicable to the members of the proposed class in the lawsuit have resumed or will resume running thirty (30) days after the publication of this notice, as provided by Article 596 of the Louisiana Code of Civil Procedure. Notice is hereby given to members of the proposed class so that they may take whatever steps they deem necessary to protect their interests and/or contact an attorney concerning their rights, if any. RUN: Feb. 8, 15, 22, Mar. 1 (F 12)

SURPLUS BID

Bids will be accepted by Cameron Parish Sheriff for the sale of surplus boat trailers in as is condition.

- Item Description
- 1) 1971 homemade boat trailer 14 ft.
- 2) 1994 Ezd boat trailer 28 ft. Bids should be obtained at Cameron Parish Sheriff Office, Civil Dept., 119 Smith Circle, P. O. Box 1250, Cameron, LA 70631. Bids must be received by the above address on or before 2:00 p.m. Friday, February 23, 2007. The right is reserved by the sheriff to reject any and all bids which in the opinion of the Sheriff will be of the best interest of the Parish of Cameron and the Cameron Parish Sheriff Department. Contact: Danny LaVergne (337) 775-2113 /s/ Theos Duhon THEOS DUHON, SHERIFF RUNS: Feb. 8, 15, 22 - F 17

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The Cameron Parish Police Jury has rescheduled its March meeting to 5:30 p.m., Thursday, March 1, 2007. The meeting will be held in the Courtroom of the Cameron Courthouse. RUN: Feb. 22 (F-20)

LOUISIANA PUBLIC NOTICE TO THE CUSTOMERS OF SMARTALK PREPAID PHONE CARD SERVICE AND PREPAID PHONE CARDS WHERE SERVICE IS PROVIDED BY CONQUEST

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For more information, please call the number shown on the Prepaid Phone Card or visit <http://prepaid.serviceguide.com>. RUN: Feb. 22 (F 31)

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids will be received for the State of Louisiana by the Division of Administration, Office of Facility Planning and Control, Claiborne Office Building, 1201 North Third Street, Conference Room 1-145 (South Entrance 1st Floor - 1st door on the right), Post Office Box 94095, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9095 until 2:00 P.M., **Thursday, March 22, 2007.** ANY PERSON REQUIRING SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS SHALL NOTIFY FACILITY PLANNING AND CONTROL OF THE TYPE(S) OF ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED NOT LESS THAN SEVEN (7) DAYS BEFORE THE BID OPENING.

FOR: Repair & Renovation - Hurricane Rita Damages - Phase I; Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge; Cameron, Louisiana PROJECT NUMBER: 01-107-95B-13, Part 94

Complete Bidding Documents may be obtained from: Champeaux, Evans, Hotard, APAC; 2000 Lake Street; Lake Charles, LA 70601; 337-439-8871 upon deposit of \$100.00 for each set of documents. Deposit on the first two sets are fully refundable to all bonafide prime Bidders upon return of the documents, in good condition, no later than ten (10) days after receipt of bids. Fifty percent (50%) of the deposit of all other sets of documents will be refunded upon return of docu-

ments as state above.

All bids must be accompanied by bid security equal to five percent (5%) of the sum of the base bid and all alternates, and must be in the form of a certified check, cashier's check or Facility Planning and Control Bid Bond Form written by a surety company licensed to do business in Louisiana, signed by the surety's agency or attorney-in-fact. Surety must be listed on the current U.S. Department of the Treasury Financial Management Service list of approved bonding companies as approved for an amount equal to or greater than the amount for which it obligates itself in the Bond, or must be a Louisiana domiciled insurance company with at least an A- rating in the latest printing of the A.M. Best's Key Rating Guide. If surety qualifies by virtue of its Best's listing, the amount of the Bond may not exceed ten percent (10%) of policyholders' surplus as shown in the latest A.M. Best's Key Rating Guide. The Bid Bond shall be in favor of the State of Louisiana, Office of Facility Planning and Control, and shall be accompanied by appropriate power of attorney. No Bid Bond indicating an obligation of less than five percent (5%) by any method is acceptable.

The successful Bidder shall be required to furnish a Performance and Payment Bond written by a company licensed to do business in Louisiana, in an amount equal to 100% of the Contract amount. Surety must be listed currently on the U.S. Department of Treasury Financial Management Service List (Treasury List) as approved for an amount equal to or greater than the contract amount, or must be an insurance company domiciled in Louisiana or owned by Louisiana residents. If surety is qualified other than by listing on the Treasury list, the contract amount may not exceed fifteen percent of policyholders' surplus as shown by surety's most recent financial statements filed with the Louisiana Department of Insurance and may not exceed the amount of \$500,000. However, a Louisiana domiciled insurance company with at least an A- rating in the latest printing of the A.M. Best's Key Rating Guide shall not be subject to the \$500,000 limitation, provided that the contract amount does not exceed ten percent of policyholders' surplus as shown in the latest A.M. Best's Key Rating Guide nor fifteen percent of policyholders' surplus as shown by surety's most recent financial statements filed with the Louisiana Department of Insurance. The Bond shall be signed by the surety's agent or attorney-in-fact.

A PRE-BID CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 13, 2007 at the Headquarters Building of Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge Center, 5476 Grand Chenier Hwy, Grand Chenier, Louisiana.

Bids shall be accepted from Contractors who are licensed under LA. R.S. 37:2150-2163 for classification of **Building Construction**. Bidder is required to comply with provisions and requirements of LA. R.S. 38:2212(A)(1)(c). No bid may be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days after receipt of bids, except under the provisions of LA. R.S. 38:2214.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids for just cause. In accordance with La. R.S. 38:2212(A)(1)(b), the provisions and requirements of this Section, those stated in the advertisement for bids, and those required on the bid form shall not be considered as informalities and shall not be waived by any public entity. When this project is financed either partially or entirely with State Bonds, the award of this Contract is contingent upon the granting of lines of credit, or the sale of bonds by the State Bond Commission. The State shall incur no obligation to the Contractor until the Contract Between Owner and Contractor is fully executed.

Facility Planning and Control is a participant in the Small Entrepreneurship Program (the Hudson Initiative) and bidders are encouraged to consider participation. Information is available from the Office of Facility Planning and Control or on its website at www.doa.louisiana.gov/fpc/fpc.htm

STATE OF LOUISIANA DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION FACILITY PLANNING & CONTROL

JERRY W. JONES, DIRECTOR RUN: Feb. 22, Mar. 1 & 8 (F 33)

NOTICE FOR BIDS

The CAMERON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD will receive sealed bids until the hour of 11:00 a.m., Thursday, March 8, 2007, for the furnishing of non food supplies for school food service schools of CAMERON PARISH during the 2007-2008-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 Dr. Douglas L. Chance, Superintendent RUN: Feb. 15, 22 (F 38)

PROCEEDINGS

The Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 10 met in regular session on Monday January 8, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. at the

Johnson Bayou Baptist Church Fellowship Hall in Johnson Bayou, Louisiana, due to Hurricane Rita. Members present were: Mr. Jessie Simon, Jr., Mr. Nathan Griffith, Mrs. Connie Trahan and Mr. Jim Cox. Member absent was: Mr. Lloyd Badon. Guests attending were Sonny McGee, Stacey Badon, Tim Dean, Lynn Trahan, Tony Trahan, Dale Jinks, David Moss, Richard Steen, Tina Horn, Jack Holderfield, Rick and Michelle Lewis.

It was moved by Mr. Griffith to call the meeting to order.

It was moved by Mr. Cox, seconded by Mr. Simon and carried that the minutes be read and accepted.

The Waterworks and Fire Department office were discussed. David Moss and Richard Steen will prepare cost estimates and present them to Tina Horn and FEMA for approval. The location of the new offices are undecided at this time. The final PW obligated amount will help make the location decision.

The Cheniere line update was given by Mr. Griffith. Lonnie Harper will hand deliver the DOT right-a-way tomorrow. Mr. Sanner is almost through with the endeavor agreement.

The part-time secretary position was discussed. It was moved by Mrs. Trahan, seconded by Mr. Simon and carried to re-hire Richelle Boudreaux.

It was moved by Mr. Simon, seconded by Mrs. Trahan and carried to approve the bills as paid.

With no further business discussed, Mr. Griffith adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

The next Waterworks meeting will be held on the second Tuesday of March 2007 at 6:00 p.m. in Johnson Bayou.

Approved: /s/ Nathan Griffith

Nathan Griffith - Chairman Attest: Connie Trahan, Secretary RUN: Feb. 22 (F-40)

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

By virtue of and in conformity with the procedures of Section 151 through 158 of Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, sealed bids will be received at the office of the Cameron Parish School Board in Cameron, Louisiana, on or before the **12th day of March, 2007 at 5:30 p.m.**, at which time all bids received will be opened by the Cameron Parish School Board for a lease covering the oil, gas, and other liquid gaseous hydrocarbon mineral rights in, to and under the following described property:

That certain tract of land estimated to contain 640.0 acres, more or less, being all of Section 16, Township 14 South, Range 5 West, Cameron Parish, for an Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease.

Bids may be for the whole or any particularly described portions of the tract advertised herein.

All bids are to offer a CASH PAYMENT, one-half (1/2) of which is to be bonus as full and adequate consideration for every right granted by the lease and one-half (1/2) of which is to be rental for the first year of the lease, for a lease having a primary term which shall not exceed three years. ANNUAL RENTAL for the second and third years shall not be less than the aforesaid cash payment. The lease is to be granted without any warranty or recourse against lessor whatsoever, either expressed or implied, not even for return by lessor of any payments received under the lease or being otherwise responsible to lessee. Minimum royalties shall be one-fourth (1/4) of all oil and gas produced and saved or utilized. This lease excludes free sulphur, potash, lignite, salt and other solid minerals. Lessee shall not have any rights to explore, drill for, mine, produce or take any action whatsoever in regard to any such solid mineral deposits.

All leases awarded shall be executed upon terms and conditions provided in the current Cameron Parish School Board lease form with all applicable riders appended thereto, including Approved Rider for Attachment to State Agency Lease Forms, and including, but not limited to, provisions as follows: Should lessee fail to begin the actual drilling (spudding in) of a well on the lease premises within one year from the date of the lease, the lease shall terminate as to both parties to the lease, unless on or before such anniversary date, lessee shall pay a delay rental [which shall in no event be less than the aforesaid cash payment offered for the lease], which shall cover the privilege of deferred drilling operations for a period of one year. Upon like payments annually, drilling operations may be further deferred for successive periods of one year each during the primary term of three years. The lease shall provide for drilling of offset wells where necessary to protect the Board's interest and shall contain the provisions against the assignment of sublease of the lease unless approved by the School Board. The lessee shall have the right to enter into pooling or unitization agreements with respect to development of the leased premises subject to the approval of the School Board. The Lessee shall not have the right to conduct geophysical or seismic activities or exploration on the leased premises under this lease. Such activities may be conducted only if a separate written contract or permit is granted to Lessee by the Cameron Parish School Board for which additional rights separate and additional consideration shall be paid.

Any lease granted hereunder shall be on the regular current Cameron Parish School Board lease form with Approved Rider for Attachment to State Agency Lease Forms and shall be subject to the approval of the State Mineral Board. A copy of the said lease form and rider are available for inspection at the office of the Cameron Parish School Board in Cameron, Louisiana. Certified

check, bank money order, or cashier's check, payable to the Cameron Parish School Board for the full amount of the bonus, shall accompany and be submitted with each bid; and no bid thus submitted may be thereafter withdrawn or canceled; and the cash bonus accompanying the bid of the successful bidder shall be forfeited to the Cameron Parish School Board should he not return the written lease, duly executed, within twenty (20) days after his receipt of the same.

The Cameron Parish School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to grant a lease on any portion of the tract advertised for a price not less than proportionate to the best bid offered for the lease on the entire tract.

CAMERON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD BY: Douglas L. Chance, Superintendent RUNS: Feb. 22, Mar. 1, 8 - F (41)

NOTICE FOR BIDS

The CAMERON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD will receive sealed bids until the hour of 11:00 a.m., Thursday, March 8, 2007, for furnishing paper goods to the schools of CAMERON PARISH during the 2007-2008 school session and any summer program during the summer of 2007.

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 1039 Hwy 384 Grand Lake, Lake Charles, La. 70607).

All bids should be marked on envelope "BID ON PAPER GOODS, 2007-2008". Bid price 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: Dr. Doug Chance, Superintendent Run: Feb 15 & 22 (F 42)

BID NOTICE

February 15, 2007 The CAMERON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD will receive BIDS FOR JANITORIAL SUPPLIES for the use in schools in Cameron Parish during the 2007-2008 session and any summer program during the summer of 2006 at 11:00 a.m. in the Cameron Parish School Board Office on Thursday, March 8, 2007.

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 1039 Hwy 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 2007-2008". 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: Dr. Doug Chance, Superintendent Run: Feb 15 & 22 (F 43)

Minutes of Meeting Cameron Parish Drainage District #9 December 17, 2006 6 p.m. Hackberry Community Center Administrative: Reuben LaBauve (President) calls meeting to order.

Members present: Scott Benoit, Paul Constance, Bill Delcambre, Alex Seay. Members absent: None. Guests present: None.

Minutes for previous meeting were distributed to board members prior to meeting. S. Benoit motioned to approve minutes of previous meeting as prepared. B. Delcambre seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurers' Report: \$135,135.14 - Checking Account: \$150,000.00 - CDs.

P. Constance motioned to approve treasurer's report as read. B. Delcambre seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Discussions were open for the following:

1) Amended budget for 2006 was presented to the board. P. Constance motioned to accept the amended budget. S. Benoit seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

2) Proposed budget for 2007 was presented. P. Constance motioned to accept the budget. S. Benoit seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

3) Election of officers for 2007 was discussed. A. Seay motioned that all officer seats remain the same as the 2006 election. P. Constance seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

4) 2006 year end audit was discussed. S. Benoit motioned to hire Elliot and Associates to conduct the audit. B. Delcambre seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

5) Bill Delcambre announced his resignation from the board effective January 1, 2007. The president of Cameron Gravity Drainage accepted his resignation and thanked him for his past services.

6) S. Benoit presented invoices for approval to pay. P. Constance made to motion to pay the invoices. B. Delcambre seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

7) The board reviewed culvert applications. P. Constance motioned to accept all applications presented with some stipulations as made by the board. S. Benoit seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

8) The board reviewed permit

applications. S. Benoit motioned to accept all applications presented with some stipulations as made by the board. P. Constance seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

With no further new business presented, the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Scott Benoit, Secretary-Treasurer.

Reuben LaBauve, President Scott Benoit, Secretary-Treasurer RUN: Feb. 22 (F-46)

HOG BAYOU FIELD 07-239 and 07-240 LEGAL NOTICE STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1st Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m. on TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2007, upon the application of APACHE CORPORATION.

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the **Amphistegina B Sand, Reservoir B, and the Amphistegina B-3 Sand, Reservoir A**, in the Hog Bayou Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

1. To permit the applicant to drill, designate and utilize an additional alternate unit well for the AMPH B RB SUA, said well to be at the locations shown on the plat submitted with the application.

2. To permit the applicant to drill, designate and utilize an additional alternate unit well for the AMPH B-3 RA SUA, said well to be at the locations shown on the plat submitted with the application.

3. To find that these wells are necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the reservoir covered by each unit which cannot be so drained by any existing well within each unit.

4. To permit the operator to produce the unit allowable for each of the aforementioned units from the existing unit and alternate unit wells, and the proposed alternate unit well, in any combination thereof at the discretion of the operator.

5. To find that a tolerance of no closer than 10 feet from the nearest unit line for each of the proposed alternate unit wells is necessary to account for the possible variance between the proposed location and the "as drilled" location.

6. Except to the extent contrary herewith, to continue in full force and effect the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 208-A-3, and Order No. 208-C, each effective November 6, 2001, the units created thereby, and applicable Statewide Orders.

7. To consider which other matters as may be pertinent. The Amphistegina B Sand, Reservoir B, was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 208-A-3, effective November 6, 2001.

The Amphistegina B-3 Sand, Reservoir B, was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 208-C, effective November 6, 2001.

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

All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof. BY ORDER OF: JAMES H. WELCH COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

Baton Rouge, La 2/15/07; 2/20/07; L; lck IF ACCOMMODATIONS ARE REQUIRED UNDER AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE OF CONSERVATION-ENGINEERING DIVISION AT P. O. BOX 94275, BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-9275 IN WRITING WITHIN FIVE (5) WORKING DAYS OF THE HEARING DATE. RUN: Feb. 22 (F-47)

PROCEEDINGS

Parish of Cameron February 12, 2007 The Cameron Parish School Board met in regular session on this date with the following members present: Loston McEvers, Dot Theriot, Rachel Abadie, Pat Howerton, Dwayne Sanner, Patty Morris, and Marvin Trahan.

On motion of Mr. Howerton, seconded by Mr. Sanner, the Board approved the agenda.

On motion of Mrs. Theriot, seconded by Mrs. Abadie, the Board approved the minutes as printed from January 8, 2007 regular board meeting and February 5, 2007 special board meeting.

On motion by Mr. Howerton, seconded by Mr. Sanner, special recognitions were made to the following companies who made recent donations to Johnson Bayou School. These certificates were presented by Mrs. Rodrigue.

Cheniere Energy, Inc. - Academic and Athletic Endeavors Cameron Communications - Basketball Score table Enviro Solutions - Art Department Williams Gas Pipeline - Athletic Endeavors Targa - Academic Endeavors Enbridge - Athletic Endeavors

On motion of Mr. Howerton, seconded by Mrs. Abadie, the Board approved receiving the annual audit report as presented by Mr. Charles Marchbanks from Little and Associates.

On motion of Mrs. Theriot, seconded by Mr. Howerton, the Board approved the nomination request from Drue C. Fournet, CPL & Associates for a mineral lease on section 16-14-5 as presented by Mr. Benoit.

On motion of Mr. Howerton, seconded by Mrs. Morris, the Board received construction updates on the Johnson Bayou project as well as updates on the canopy project at South Cameron High School as presented by Mr. Zembower.

On motion of Mrs. Morris, seconded by Mrs. Theriot, the Board approved receiving the report on the pavilion project as presented by Dr. Chance.

On motion of Mr. Sanner, the Board approved a report for later discussion on the central office as presented by Mr. Zembower.

On motion of Mr. Trahan, seconded by Mrs. Theriot, the Board approved for consideration the provisions of an architect's contract for the central office as presented by Mr. Welch.

On motion of Mrs. Abadie, seconded by Mrs. Theriot, the Board received a report on the Cheniere PILOT proposal as presented by Mr. McEvers.

On motion of Mrs. Morris, seconded by Mrs. Theriot, the Board received a report on proposed facilities at the South Cameron site as presented by Mr. McEvers.

On motion of Mrs. Abadie, seconded by Mr. Sanner, the Board received a report on facilities restoration at the South Cameron site as presented by Mr. Welch.

On motion of Mr. Howerton, seconded by Mr. Sanner, the Board approved the permission requested to advertise for Non-Food and Cleaning supplies to be used in the cafeterias during the 2007-2008 school year.

On motion of Mr. Sanner, seconded by Mrs. Theriot, the Board approved granting permission to advertise for Janitorial supplies for the 2007-2008 school session.

On motion of Mr. Howerton, seconded by Mr. Trahan, the Board approved the financial statement and payment of bills.

On motion of Mrs. Theriot, seconded by Mr. Trahan, the Board received the report on farming cost and receipts on Section 16-12-3 as presented by Mr. Benoit.

On motion of Mr. Howerton, seconded by Mr. Sanner, the Board unanimously denied the request of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to extend the surface lease on Section 16-12-5, which is lease to Lacassine Refuge in the amount of \$12,000.00 per year, from five (5) years to ten (10) years.

On motion of Mrs. Theriot, seconded by Mrs. Morris, the Board received the report on school zone signal lights as presented by Mr. Welch.

On motion of Mr. Howerton, seconded by Mrs. Theriot, the Board received the report on small debris cleanup at 246 Dewey Street, Cameron, LA 70631 as presented by Mr. Welch.

On motion of Mrs. Abadie, seconded by Mr. Sanner, the Board received for deletion on March 12, 2007, the Management of FEMA Funds Policy as presented by the Superintendent.

On motion of Mr. Trahan, seconded by Mrs. Theriot, the Board received a report on Attendance Awareness Week as presented by Mr. Benoit.

On motion of Mr. Howerton, seconded by Mrs. Theriot, the Board approved the bid from K.A.S. Construction from Roanoke, LA to restore the existing facility of the gym area. Attachment.

K.A.S. Construction; \$1,378,210.00 (All Phases of Work) Seven O Electric; \$150,000.00 (Electrical Only)

On motion of Mr. Howerton, seconded by Mrs. Theriot, the Board approved the concept and advancement of the proposal for new school facilities at the South Cameron High School site.

On a motion of Mrs. Theriot, seconded by Mrs. Morris, the Board approved the plans proposed by Mr. Gayle Zembower for the central office building which will be located at 510 Marshall Street, Cameron, LA contingent upon final plan reviews and the successful passage of the millage continuation proposals on March 31, 2007.

YEAS: Mrs. Theriot, Mrs. Morris, Mr. Trahan, Mr. McEvers, Mrs. Abadie and Mr. Sanner

NAYS: Mr. Howerton On motion of Mr. Howerton, seconded by Mrs. Theriot, the Board approved the selection of Vincent & Shows Architects of Sulphur, LA for the new South Cameron School located at 753 Grand Chenier Hwy, Oak Grove/Creole (former site of South Cameron High School), contingent upon: (1) review of plans with school personnel, appropriate central office staff, board members, and superintendent; (2) review by the full board on March 12, 2007; and, (3) successful passage of the millage continuation proposals on March 31, 2007.

On motion of Mr. Howerton, seconded by Mr. Sanner, the Board approved entering into executive session for pipeline litigation and personnel.

YEAS: Mr. Trahan, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Theriot, Mr. McEvers, Mr. Sanner, Mrs. Abadie and Mr. Howerton

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

On motion of Mr. Howerton, seconded by Mrs. Theriot, the Board approved returning from executive session and entering into regular school board meeting.

YEAS: Mr. Trahan, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Theriot, Mr. McEvers, Mr. Sanner, Mrs. Abadie and Mr. Howerton

NAYS: None ABSENT: None

On motion of Mrs. Abadie, seconded by Mr. Trahan, the Board approved to instruct counsel to move forward with pipeline litigation.

YEAS: Mr. Trahan, Mrs. Morris, Mr. McEvers, Mr. Sanner and Mrs. Abadie

LEGAL NOTICES

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seconded by Mr. Sanner, the Board accepted the Superintendent's resignation effective July 31, 2007, and the proposed schedule and calendar of events to seek a replacement. (See attached material)

On motion of Mr. Howerton, seconded by Mr. Sanner, the Board approved the following personnel report.

Personnel
The following listed items are recommended by the superintendent.

/s/ Douglas L. Chance
DOUGLAS L. CHANCE,
SUPERINTENDENT

Appointments:

Erica Johnson, Teacher, Hackberry High, provisional appointment beginning January 22, 2007 for the remainder of the 2006-2007 school session;

Charlene Gail Constance, Sweeper, Hackberry High, appointed effective January 30, 2007 until further notice;

Resignation:

Lindsey D. Bufford, Teacher-Coach, Hackberry High, effective at the end of her assignment at the close of the 2006-2007 school session;

Sabbatical Leave:

Hayes P. Picou, Principal, Johnson Bayou, recommend granting him sabbatical leave per his request for 2007-2008 with use of sick leave and extended sick leave as applicable based upon his physician's statement and his plans to retire at the conclusion of the leave periods;

Permission to Advertise:

Permission to advertise for positions which are vacant and/or currently filled by provisionally appointed personnel in order to recruit and recommend for employment certificated and qualified personnel as plans are structured for the 2007-2008 school session;

On motion of Mrs. Theriot, seconded by Mr. Trahan, the Board adjourned the meeting with the next regular school board meeting being March 12, 2007 at 5:30 P.M. in the cafeteria at South Cameron High School.

APPROVED:

/s/ Loston McEvers
LOSTON MCEVERS,
PRESIDENT
CAMERON PARISH
SCHOOL BOARD

ATTEST:

/s/ Douglas L. Chance
DOUGLAS L. CHANCE,
SECRETARY
CAMERON PARISH
SCHOOL BOARD

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Cameron Parish School Board has received an application to advertise for bid for a lease for oil and gas from Drue C. Fournet, CPL & Associates, covering the following described tract of land:

That certain tract of land estimated to contain 640.0 acres, more or less, being all of Section 16, Township 14 South, Range 5 West, Cameron Parish, for an Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease.

WHEREAS, said application was accompanied by a certified check in the amount of \$500.00 payable to the Cameron Parish School Board, as required by law, and

WHEREAS, the Cameron Parish School Board is desirous of advertising for bid the above described tract of land as requested.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Cameron Parish School Board does hereby authorize and request its Superintendent, Douglas L. Chance, to advertise, pursuant to the terms of R.S. 30, Sections 151 through 158 as amended, for an oil and gas lease, covering and affecting the following described tracts of land:

That certain tract of land estimated to contain 640.0 acres, more or less, being all of Section 16, Township 14 South, Range 5 West, Cameron Parish, for an Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease.

Said advertisement shall further provide that said bids shall be received on or before the 12th day of March, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. at the cafeteria at the South Cameron High School, 753 Oak Grove Hwy, Grand Chenier, Louisiana, 70643 and that the Cameron Parish School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Douglas L. Chance, Superintendent of the Cameron Parish School Board, is empowered to do each and every thing that is necessary to carry out the intents and purposes of this resolution and that such actions are hereby approved and ratified as actions of this Board.

Adopted and approved the 12th day of February, 2007.

APPROVED:

/s/ Loston McEvers
LOSTON MCEVERS, VICE
PRESIDENT
CAMERON PARISH
SCHOOL BOARD

ATTEST:

/s/ Douglas L. Chance
DOUGLAS L. CHANCE,
SECRETARY
CAMERON PARISH
SCHOOL BOARD

**SOUTH CAMERON GYM
COMPLEX REPAIRS**

Cameron Parish School Board
**Bid Date: February 9, 2007
10:00 A.M.**

Items on Bid; Seven-O-Residential & Commercial; K.A.S. Construction LLC

Roof Repair; ;
Electrical Repair; \$150,000.00
cost estimate; \$420,357.00.

Exterior & Interior Walls; ;
\$491,900.00

Exterior & Interior Windows,
Doors, & Glass
Repair/Replacement; ;

Exterior & Interior Doors
included with Wall Bid Above; ;

A/C & Heating; ;\$226,453.00.

Plumbing & Sewerage
R e p a i r / R e p l a c e m e n t ;
\$239,500.00.

Total for All Phases;
\$150,000.00; \$1,378,210.00.

February 12, 2007

Mr. Loston McEvers, President
and Other Members of the Board
Cameron Parish School Board
P. O. Box 1548
Cameron, LA 70631-1548

Dear Mr. McEvers and
Members of the Board:

The purpose of this correspondence is to provide you advance notice of my intent to complete my appointment as Superintendent of Schools for the Cameron Parish School Board at the close of the day, July 31, 2007.

Further, please be aware of my sincere appreciation for the support and pursuit of excellence demonstrated by students, employees, administrators, citizens, and members of business and industry during my tenure as superintendent. I am grateful!

Sincerely,
Douglas L. Chance

Position Announcement

The Cameron Parish School Board will accept applications for the position of Superintendent of Schools beginning March 1, 2007 through the close of the business day on March 30, 2007.

Interested persons with authorization to serve as Superintendent of Schools in a public school system, as certified by the Louisiana State Department of Education, should make application by sending the following:

- * A cover letter stating interest in the position;
- * A complete resume listing:
 - * Chronology of work experience --- education and other;
 - * Education preparation --- colleges, universities, and degrees;
 - * Certification areas listed on certificate;
 - * Professional affiliations and service;
 - * Special and/or unique contributions and activities; and,
 - * Other data the applicant wishes to include;
 - * Copies of:
 - * Teaching certificate
 - * Student copy of transcripts
 - * Driver's license
 - * Social Security Card
 - * Names and contact information of five professional references;
 - * A signed statement authorizing the Board to conduct appropriate background checks, and the signed statement must include a notation that a copy of the statement shall be accepted as an original;

The items noted above should be sent by the US Postal Service using certified return receipt service to:

Mr. Loston McEvers, President
Cameron Parish School Board
P. O. Box 1548
Cameron, LA 70631-1548

Cameron Parish School Board: An
Equal Opportunity Employer
**Schedule of Events
for the position
Superintendent of Schools**
Advertisement Period:
February 13, 2007 - March 22, 2007

Block Ad in *Cameron Pilot*
February 22, 2007

Legal Ad in *Cameron Pilot*:
March 1, 2007; March 8, 2007;
March 15, 2007; March 22, 2007

Mail notice to: All School
Boards in Louisiana; LA School
Boards Association; LA
Superintendents' Association;
Career Office: MSU, NSU, & ULL

Receive Applications: March 1,
2007 - March 30, 2007

Review and Screen
Applications: April 5, 2007

Certification/Background
Checks: April 5, 2007 - May 4,
2007

Initial Interviews: May 14,
2007

Make Appointment: June 11,
2007

Transition Period: June 11,
2007 - July 31, 2007

Effective Date: August 1, 2007
RUN: Feb. 22 (F48)

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

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Gravity Drainage District No. Five, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, the governing authority of the District, on February 13, 2007, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held in Gravity Drainage District No. 5, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, on Saturday, May 5, 2007, and that at said election there will be submitted to all registered voters of said Parish qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution and laws of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

PROPOSITION

SUMMARY: AUTHORITY FOR GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. FIVE TO COLLECT, FOR 10 YEARS, A TAX OF FIVE AND FIFTY-THREE HUNDREDTHS MILLS PER ANNUM ON ALL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (AN ESTIMATED \$135,000 REASONABLY EXPECTED TO BE COLLECTED FROM THE LEVY OF THIS TAX PER ANNUM) FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING, OPERATING AND MAINTAINING SAID DISTRICT'S DRAINAGE OPERATIONS WITHIN AND FOR SAID DISTRICT.

Shall Gravity Drainage District No. Five of the Parish of Cameron, be authorized to levy a tax of five and fifty-three hundredths (5.53) mills on the dollar of assessed valuation on all property subject to taxation in said District (an estimated \$135,000 reasonably expected to be collected from the levy of this tax per annum), for a period of ten (10) years, commencing with the year 2007, for the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining said District's drainage systems constituting works of public

improvements, title to which shall be in the public within and for said District?

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

PORION OF PRECINCT 12; MURIA FIRE STATION
PORION OF PRECINCT 17; SAINT EUGENE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the commissioners-in-charge duly certified by the Clerk of Court of Cameron Parish and selected by the Parish Board of Election Supervisors as provided for in R.S. 18:433, as amended, are hereby designated as the commissioners-in-charge to serve at the polling places designated in the election herein called. The commissioners of election and alternate commissioners of election shall be appointed by the Cameron Parish Clerk of Court, in accordance with R.S. 18:1286, as amended. In the event the election herein called is held at the same time as the election of public officials the commissioners and alternate commissioners shall be those commissioners and alternate commissioners selected for the election of public officials, in accordance with R.S. 18:1286, as amended.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Board of Commissioners of Gravity Drainage District No. Five, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, the governing authority of said District, will meet at its regular meeting place, the Grand Chenier Waterworks Office, Grand Chenier, Louisiana, on Tuesday, the 8th day of May, 2007, at 5:00 PM, and will then and there, in open and public session, proceed to examine and canvass the returns as certified by the Clerk of Court of Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and declare the result of the said special election.

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

THUS DONE AND SIGNED on this, the 13th day of February, 2007.

APPROVED:

/s/ D. Y. Doland
D. Y. DOLAND, JR.,
PRESIDENT
GRAVITY DRAINAGE
DISTRICT NO. FIVE

ATTEST:

/s/ Darrell Williams
DARRELL WILLIAMS,
SECRETARY
GRAVITY DRAINAGE
DISTRICT NO. FIVE
RUN: Feb. 22, Mar. 1, 8, 15 (F 49)

PROCEEDINGS

Cameron Parish Recreation
District No. 5

The Cameron Parish Recreation District No. 5 held its regularly scheduled meeting on February 15, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.

Board members in attendance were: Anita Kingham, Toby Landry and Kim Nunez. Members absent were Kim Montie and Julia Racca.

Employees present were Janice Landry, Ada Aguilard and Lisa Dupuie.

Anita called the meeting to order.

Toby made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes

Anita made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and was seconded by Toby. The motion carried.

Anita made a motion to pay bills and was seconded by Toby. The motion carried.

Kim stated that the volunteers would be in the area around March 5, 2007 to make improvements to the recreation center. They will be painting the bathrooms and removing and replacing paneling in the spa. The metal awning near the pool will be replaced also.

Anita stated that Danny will be cleaning and painting the pool in March.

Anita made a motion that an advertisement be placed in the American Press and run for two weeks advertising for pool director and lifeguards. This was seconded by Toby. The motion carried.

Old business for March meeting will include further discussion of pool director and lifeguards.

Anita made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Toby.

ATTESTED BY:

ANITA KINGHAM,
PRESIDENT
RUNS: Feb. 22 - F 50

**CAMERON PARISH
WATER DISTRICT NO. 11
PROCEEDINGS**

September 11, 2006

There was a regular meeting of the Board of Water District No. 11 at 6:00 p.m., Monday, September 11, 2006, at the Grand Lake Waterworks office.

PRESENT: Jeffrey Jouett,
Andre Abadie, Gerald Richard,
Tim Fontenot

ABSENT: Grace Robideaux

OTHER ATTENDEES: Mr. Lonnie Harper, Lonnie Harper & Associates

The meeting was called to order by Board President Jeffrey Jouett.

On motion of Gerald Richard, seconded by Tim Fontenot and carried unanimously, the reading of the minutes was dispensed with.

On motion of Gerald Richard, seconded by Tim Fontenot and carried unanimously, the minutes from the August 21, 2006 regular meeting, were approved as previously mailed out.

The board reviewed the proposed Water Users Agreement. This agreement will be sent to the District Attorney's office for review before being accepted by the board.

Mr. Lonnie Harper updated the board on the Airport Well project. The installation of the line is going well. The well work and electrical work have begun. The line should be ready for pressure testing in approximately two weeks.

On motion of Andre Abadie, seconded by Tim Fontenot and carried unanimously, the board voted to offer Phillip W. Duplechien the position of Operator at a rate of \$13.25 per hour.

On motion of Andre Abadie, seconded by Tim Fontenot and carried unanimously, Craig Duhon was given and increase in pay of \$2.00 per hour.

On motion of Andre Abadie, seconded by Gerald Richard and carried unanimously, the board voted to buy a spare motor for the wells on the Sweetlake side.

There was a discussion regarding the customers in the Red Bud Lane area. We will obtain a right-of-way from Kelly Vigo for Red Bud Lane. We will send letters to the customers in that area and inform them that they need to pay for a new radio read meter and other fees associated with installing a new tap to each home. These taps will be installed once the new line from the airport is in service.

On motion of Gerald Richard, seconded by Tim Fontenot and carried unanimously, the board voted to request the 2nd draw of \$306,317.83 for the Airport Well Project.

There was a financial report given for the month ending August 31, 2006.

The superintendent's report was given by James Cox. His report included the following:

- Taps Installed
- Production Report

On motion of Tim Fontenot, seconded by Tim Fontenot and carried unanimously, all bills were approved for payment.

There being no further business, on motion of Gerald Richard, seconded by Tim Fontenot and carried unanimously, the meeting was declared adjourned.

APPROVED:
Jeffrey Jouett, President

ATTEST:
Helen Williams, Secretary
RUN: Feb. 22 (F 52)

**CAMERON PARISH
WATER DISTRICT NO. 11
PROCEEDINGS**

October 16, 2006

There was a regular meeting of the Board of Water District No. 11 at 6:00 p.m., Monday, October 16, 2006, at the Grand Lake Waterworks office.

PRESENT: Jeffrey Jouett,
Andre Abadie, Gerald Richard,
Tim Fontenot, Grace Robideaux

ABSENT: None

OTHER ATTENDEES: Mr. Lonnie Harper, Lonnie Harper & Associates

The meeting was called to order by Board President Jeffrey Jouett.

On motion of Tim Fontenot, seconded by Gerald Richard and carried unanimously, the reading of the minutes was dispensed with.

On motion of Tim Fontenot, seconded by Gerald Richard and carried unanimously, the minutes from the September 11, 2006 regular meeting, were approved as previously mailed out.

Mr. Lonnie Harper gave an update on the airport well project.

The issue of the Customer Service Agreement was tabled until the next meeting.

On motion of Andre Abadie, seconded by Tim Fontenot and carried unanimously, the board voted to request the third draw from the Calcasieu Public Trust Authority in the amount of \$305,751.58.

There was a discussion regarding Long Acre Trailer Park. Mr. McCain would like approval to install a new line with meters. This issue will be discussed at the next meeting.

There was a financial report given for the month ending September 30, 2006.

The superintendent's report was given by James Cox. His report included the following:

- Line break
- Radio read
- Taps Installed
- Production Report

On motion of Grace Robideaux, seconded by Gerald Richard and carried unanimously, all bills were approved for payment.

There being no further business, on motion of Grace Robideaux, seconded by Tim Fontenot and carried unanimously, the meeting was declared adjourned.

APPROVED:
Jeffrey Jouett,
President

ATTEST:
Helen Williams, Secretary
RUN: Feb. 22 (F 53)

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LAKESIDE FIELD
07-269**

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana

Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1st Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m. on **TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2007**, upon the application of **BALLARD EXPLORATION COMPANY, INC.**

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the **1,500' Zone, Reservoir A**, in the Little Cheniere Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

1. To permit the applicant, Ballard Exploration Company, Inc., to drill, designate and utilize the Ballard Exploration Company, Inc.-Baccigalopi No. 2 Well as the substitute unit well for 11500 RA SUA at the location shown on the plat submitted with the application.

2. To permit the applicant, Ballard Exploration Company, Inc., to redesignate and utilize the current unit well, the Ballard Exploration Company, Inc.-Baccigalopi No. 1 (ST) Well, as the alternate well for 11500 RA SUA, at the location shown on the plat submitted with the application.

3. To permit the unit operator, Ballard Exploration Company, Inc., to produce the unit allowable for 11500 RA SUA from the substitute unit well, the alternate unit well, or both, at its discretion.

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

The 11500' Zone, Reservoir A, was fully defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 645-FF, effective March 11, 2003.

A plat is available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge and Lafayette, Louisiana.**

www.dnr.state.la.us/CONS/CONSEREN/hearings/pubhearings.htm

All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

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

Baton Rouge, LA
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RUNS: Feb. 22 - F 54

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RUN: Feb. 22 - F 55

BY ORDER OF:
JAMES H. WELSH
COMMISSIONER OF
CONSERVATION

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RUN: Feb. 22 - F 55

**— Immediate Opening —
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RUN: Feb. 15, 22 (F 28)



JOHNSON BAYOU High School fifth graders made posters for their study of a science project on clouds. Pictured with their posters are Alexis Call, left photo; Kirsten Webb, center photo; and Briana Romero, right photo.



Hank Williams' memorable performance at McNeese

By HERSHEL FRAZIER

Having played music with Rev. Homer Bailes since June of 2000, I have been privileged to hear many stories about the Grand Ole Opry and the Louisiana Hayride. The Bailes Brothers played on the Opry, left Nashville and came to Shreveport and with the help of others started the Louisiana Hayride in the 1940s.

Bro. Bailes said they would play the hayride on Saturday night and go out on the road during the week. They played in school gyms, ball fields, churches, fairgrounds and just about any place they could get a booking. Soon after the McNeese auditorium was completed, they got a booking there. They would leave Shreveport early on their way to the show date so as to make as many radio stations as they could. They were always welcome by the disc-jockey and got the advertisement free.

Johnnie and Homer Bailes felt the show needed a solo singer and persuaded manager Tillman Franks to hire a singer that they felt had a promising career in country music. His name was Hiram Williams and he performed under his nickname, Hank. When they hired Hank they didn't know Hank drank. He turned out to be a very heavy drinker, but most of the time it didn't affect his performance.

On one such road date they were booked at the new auditorium at McNeese junior college. They stopped at radio station KDLA in DeRidder, there was no sign of Hank. They arrived in Lake Charles about 2 p.m., and found the KPLC station, Johnnie, Homer, Kittie Wells and her husband Johnnie Wright, his partner Jack Anglin, along with as many band members as could get into the small studio.

I asked Bro. Homer if the disc-jockey was named Jim Toth? He said, "Yea, I believe that's right." In those days there was not any kind of derogatory language allowed

on the air ways.

Bro Bailes said they were really living it up and having a good time when Hank burst through the door. "Where you been Hank," asked Mr. Toth?

"I've been having a blankety-blank good time in your town and we're gonna have a blankety-blank good time tonight," Hank said. Mr. Toth cut him off. That ended that.

We found the auditorium, got set up and was ready for the show. The auditorium was full. Our routine was for one show on the road was the Bailes Brothers first, Hank Williams in the middle, and Johnnie and Jack, the Tennessee Mountain Boys and Miss Kitty Wells last.

Next show was Johnnie and Jack, Miss Kittie, Hank, the Bailes Brothers and the West Virginia Home Folks last. This show featured the Bailes Brothers first. We did our show and it was Hank's turn.

By that time he was really three sheets in the wind. We got him out on stage, he didn't even put his guitar around his neck, he just took it out there by the guitar neck and put it down in front of him as to hold him up and keep him from falling off the stage. He said, "Hey ya'll want to hear my new song?"

The crowd gave a thunderous applause with a lot of hollering and whistling. "Ya'll like it? Well you're gonna hear it," more applause. Then Hank said, "Ain't nobody can sing it like John Bailes and started off the stage."

To save face and the show, Johnnie went out and sang it and it seemed to please the crowd. Johnnie and Jack came on and put on a good show. We never were booked there again.

(EDITOR'S NOTE-- Hank Williams went on to become one of the greatest country musicians of all times. He later went to the Grand Ole Opry but unfortunately the drinking did him in and he died in 1953 at the young age of 29. His appearance at McNeese was in the early 1940s.)



How some Cameron streets were named

(EDITOR'S NOTE-- Some years ago the Cameron Parish Police Jury appointed a committee to choose names for several unnamed streets in the town of Cameron. The following was their report which retold some of the history of the town.)

The Parish of Cameron was created on March 16, 1870, by a bill of the Legislature, signed by Governor Henry Clay Warmouth. Cameron was created from the Southern portion of Calcasieu Parish and the east portion of Vermilion Parish with the Mermentau River as boundary. The Parish established and a building was purchased for use as a Courthouse.

The town of Cameron was entered by two different people. The 80 acre tract lying north of the centerline of Section 31, Tp. 14 S. R. 9 West was entered from the State of Louisiana by Edward R. Simms, in the year 1856, who sold same to Mary A. Mudd, this was during the time that Cameron was still part of Calcasieu Parish.

On April 16, 1871, shortly after Cameron Parish was formed, Mary A. Mudd sold this tract to Phineas E. Smith, who was then assessor of the newly formed parish. Mr. Smith was also a surveyor. He remained assessor of Cameron Parish for over 21 years. On Feb. 26, 1874, the Cameron Parish courthouse burned and all records were lost.

On Sept. 4, 1875, Phineas E. Smith donated a two acre tract where the present courthouse exists, to the Cameron Parish Police Jury, Charles C. Burch, President, for the erection of a courthouse and jail,

with the stipulation that if this site is ever abandoned by the Cameron Parish Police Jury, the land would revert back to his heirs. This donation was given as a renewal of one made by him when he bought the land and the records were destroyed by the fire.

SMITH CIRCLE

The courthouse now stands on the north portion of the two acres originally donated by Phineas E. Smith with a street circling the square, therefore the same was named P. E. Smith Circle.

That certain tract lying south of the centerline of Section 31 was entered from the State of Louisiana by John Todd on Mar. 18, 1856. Todd died on Nov. 19, 1865, leaving said tract to his surviving wife Amanda Harrison Todd, who later married Captain George C. Marshall. Amanda died on May 25, 1885, leaving by will to her husband, G. C. Marshall, that portion of her property.

George C. Marshall remarried to Mary LeBloux, and one child was born Georgie Mae Marshall, who later married Rex Deaton. That portion of the Marshall property lying south of the present Main Street or Highway from the Monkey Island Ferry eastward to property of J. A. Davis was subdivided into lots, called the George C. Marshall Subdivision. The streets were laid out but not named.

Marshall died May 2, 1903. The lots in Marshall Sub. were sold to pay the debts, leaving the balance of the property clear. On Mar. 2, 1908, Mary D. Marshall and Georgie Mae Marshall executed a right of way to the Cameron Parish Police Jury along the north side of the Marshall Subdivision and extending eastward to the home place of James A. Wakefield and now J. A. Davis.

Therefore, the committee named this right of way Marshall Street because of the fact that the Marshall family had donated the land.

The unnamed street leading from the Highway to the river was the main road used to the boat landing of the Borealis Rex, the river boat for several years, therefore as a remembrance of this boat, the street was named Rex Street.

The unnamed street leading eastward in the Marshall Subdivision from Rex Street was named Leesburg in memory of the Town of Leesburg which at that time was the official name of the town and later changed to Cameron.

The street leading south from the Highway or Marshall Street between Cameron Food Mart and Fred's Restaurant was donated by W. H. "Black" Carter who purchased the east portion of the Marshall Subdivision is known as Carter Street.

Miller Livestock Markets, Inc.
Market Report

For the Sale of Feb. 17, 2007. Trading was active with a turnout of 471 Head from 98 Sellers with 68 Buyers Present. All Classes of Cattle remained fully steady.

DeQuincy (Saturday) Feb. 17: Livestock Receipts: Cattle 289, Horses 5 Hogs 37, Sheep 28, and Goats 112. **BABY CALVES:** Dairy 50¢-75¢ per HD, Beef 150¢-200¢ per HD, Roping Calves (125-200 lbs.) 1.65-1.85 per lb. **STEER & HEIFER CALVES:** 200-300 lb. Steers: 1.40-1.65 per lb., Heifers: 1.25-1.60 per lb.; 300-400 lb. Steers: 1.30-1.50 per lb., Heifers: 1.20-1.45 per lb.; 400-500 lb. Steers: 1.05-1.20 per lb., Heifers: .90-1.20 per lb.; 500-600 lb. Steers: .95-1.05 per lb., Heifers: .85-1.05 per lb.; 600-700 lb. Steers: .77-.85 per lb., Heifer: .75-.90 per lb. **CATTLE:** Cutter & Utility: .51-.55 per lb.; Canners: .44-.49 per lb.; Fat Cows: .46-.50 per lb.; Thin Cows: .37-.42 per lb.; Slaughter Bulls: .60-.65 per lb.; Feeder Bulls: .47-.55 per lb. **COW/CALF PAIRS:** 750-950¢ per pair. **PREGNANCY TESTED COWS:** 550-800¢ per HD. **HOGS:** Choice Barrows & Gilts: .37-.42; Medium Barrow & Gilts: .32-.35; Butcher Pigs: .35-.40; Feeder Pigs: .55-.65; Sows 300-500 lbs.: .27-.34 per lb.; Boars: .08-.10 per lb. **HORSES:** .28-.33 per lb. **SHEEP & GOATS:** 35¢-1.75¢ per HD.

2 Complete Herd Sell-Outs
Saturday, March 10 -- 2:00 p.m.
(In conjunction with our regular sale)

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Registration deadline is Feb. 28th

In order to vote in the March 31 election you must be registered by Wednesday, Feb. 28 at 4:30 p.m. according to Suzanne Sturlese, Cameron Parish Registrar of Voters.

You can register by mail (by requesting a form) or you can come to her office located in Grand Lake at 10084 Gulf Hwy. in the single wide trailer. The phone number is 905-1167.

The office will be closed Thursday, Mar. 1, because of senior classes but will reopen Friday.

Legion to meet Tues.

American Legion Post 176 of Cameron will meet Tuesday, Feb. 27, at 5:30 p.m. in the home of the past commander, Roland Primeaux, 258 E. Creole Hwy., Creole.

Contact Commander Vernon Primeaux for information at 802-6685.



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POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT
Principal - Johnson Bayou High School

Interested persons, with certification, should contact the Cameron Parish School Board Office for application instructions.

The application period closes Friday, March 2, 2007.

RUN: 2/15, 22 & 3/1 (F-36)

— NOTICE —

Grand Lake Recreation Center is accepting applications for the following positions:
POOL DIRECTOR & LIFEGUARDS

Applications can be filled out at the Grand Lake Recreation Center, 108 Recreation Lane, Monday thru Saturday, 2 p.m. - 9 p.m.

RUN:Feb. 22, Mar. 1, 8 & 15 (F-51)

The Cameron Parish Library Staff & Board Members

Invite you to attend a **Community Celebration in honor of the Grand Re-Opening of Libraries**

Grand Chenier Branch
Ribbon Cutting
Noon, February 26, 2007

Cameron Branch
Ribbon Cutting
Three o'clock, February 26, 2007

Celebration festivities immediately following the Cameron ribbon cutting ceremony

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Grand Chenier, LA 70643

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