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CAMERON SALTWATER Fishing Festival royalty crowned on Saturday are (from left): Junior Miss Cameron Fishing Festival - Danielle Nester, Baby Miss - Isabelle Camel, Little Miss - Olivia Hebert, Teen Miss - Kristen Broussard, Tiny Miss - Brynn Hardie, Petite Miss - Maeleigh Conner, Deb Miss - Breann DeBarge, Toddler Miss - Hallie Haynie. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

Qualifying now being done here

Qualifying is being held this week in the Cameron Clerk of Court's office for an election to fill the vacancy in the Ward 2 Justice of the Peace position. The election will be held Saturday, Sept. 30.

Candidates may qualify on Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 9 and 10, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and on Friday, Aug. 11 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Cameron Parish School Boards would ordinarily have been voted on Sept. 30 also, but due to the turmoil created by Hurricane Rita, a bill was passed in the Legislature allowing the present board members to serve another year before elections are held.

Also on the Sept. 30 ballot will be a vote on the renewal of a 10-year 21 mill tax for operation and maintenance of the South Cameron Memorial Hospital. Upon levy of this tax a 3.66 mill maintenance tax approved by voters in 2000 will be canceled.

Also on the Sept. 30 ballot will be statewide elections for Secretary of State, Insurance Commissioner and two Supreme Court positions.

A number of Constitutional amendments will be voted on.

Persons not already registered to vote should call the Registrar of Voters office at 905-1167 to make arrangements to do so.

POLLING PLACES

Polling places for the election will be at the regular location, although in lower Cameron Parish, temporary buildings will be provided where previous buildings were destroyed by Hurricane Rita.

Cameron LNG will form advisory group

To expand its relationship with the businesses and communities within Cameron Parish, Cameron LNG has announced it is seeking local area leaders to serve on its new Community Advisory Committee.

"We are excited about the opportunity to expand our relationship with the Parish and its local leadership," said Kelly Prasser, community relations and events manager for the project. "This group will provide us with an additional opportunity to continue the dialogue with our neighbors on the progress of the Cameron LNG terminal and important issues that impact the community."

Cameron LNG's Community Advisory Committee will be comprised of seven community and business leaders from throughout Cameron Parish. The committee is expected to meet quarterly and its principal responsibility will be to advise management about how Cameron LNG can enhance its positive relationship with the community and communicate major milestones on the project.

Applications for the Community Advisory Committee now are available at the Hackberry Recreation Center, the Johnson Bayou book mobile and the branches of the Cameron Parish Library in Hackberry, Grand Lake and Cameron. Applications also will be available online at Cameron LNG's web site, www.CameronLNG.com or copies can be ordered through the toll-free telephone line at 877-736-7729.

Applications must be received by Sept. 18. It is anticipated that the members of the Cameron LNG Community Advisory Committee will be announced by mid-October.

Located just south of the Ellender Bridge off Highway 27, the Cameron LNG receipt terminal will be capable of delivering 1.5 billion cubic feet (Bcf) per day of natural gas. Representing a $750 million investment by Sempra LNG, the project is slated for completion in late 2008. Permits for the proposed expansion of 1.15 Bcf were filed earlier this year.

KC chapters to regroup

Several meetings to reorganize Knights of Columbus chapters in Cameron, Creole and Grand Chenier are being planned, according to Jimmy Saltzman, who asks that officers and members of these chapters contact him at 274-6150.

Churches served by these Catholic men organizations were destroyed by Hurricane Rita last September.

Boustany to be in Hackberry

Congressman Charles Boustany, who is seeking re-election, will attend the grand opening for the Hackberry Rod & Gun Saturday, Aug. 19.

A ribbon cutting ceremony will be held at 6 p.m.

Aging group sets meeting

The Cameron Council on Aging board of directors will meet on Aug. 28 at 12 noon at the Grand Lake Fireman Center. All members are urged to attend. Guests are always welcome.

VOLUNTEERS FROM Americorps, School Board staff, and teachers pitched in Monday and Tuesday to unload an entire school's furniture at South Cameron High School, where all three southeast Cameron Parish schools will be combined for the coming school year. (Photos by Cyndi Sellers.)

Hackberry Clinic back in its old building

The Hackberry Rural Health Clinic of West Calcasieu Cameron Hospital has reopened at its permanent location of 1020 Main Street in Hackberry. The clinic suffered major damage due to Hurricane Rita and has undergone extensive repair and remodeling.

A temporary location provided by Sempra Energy allowed basic health care services to be offered during the reconstruction of the permanent site.

According to Julie Galley, CFNP, the clinic was able to see patients within a few weeks of the storm. "Having health care services available is a major part of the recovery effort. We appreciate the encouragement and continued support we've received from the community as we've all worked on moving forward," she said.

Galley asked all KidMed clients to contact the clinic to resume schedule for check-ups.

The clinic provides general health services, immunizations, women's health, lab work and basic pediatric care. Most insurance plans are accepted, and the clinic sees patients who are uninsured, self-pay, have Medicare or Medicaid.

The hours are 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Mondays, 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays and 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. on Fridays. The clinic is closed on Wednesdays.

Dental care will be available through Dr. Thomas Cates, who will be in the Hackberry Rural Health Clinic each Thursday.

For more information, call 762-3762.

Jury hires The Shaw Group to provide recovery service

By CYNDI SELLERS

Recovery was in the air at the Cameron Parish Police Jury meeting Monday night as jurors took major steps to speed up the process.

After a national search, parish Economic Development and Planning Director Ernie Broussard recommended the engagement of The Shaw Group, a Louisiana based company, to provide professional services in support of the recovery effort.

Broussard said the company's contacts with governmental and private funding sources, its international connections, and engineering design specialists will serve the parish well in the coming months.

Shaw's president of Louisiana operations George Bevan told jurors that through the request for proposal process, "You have positioned yourself a lot closer to recovery than all your sister parishes." He said the Louisiana team will be supported by 23,000 other Shaw staffers around the nation.

Bevan promised that through accessibility and accountability the group will "create a trust that will turn vision into reality."

Senior Vice President of Louisiana Operations Jeffery Jenkins pointed out that Shaw is a subcontractor for the state's Road Home program, and congratulated the parish on getting a Housing Assistance Center for the parish, which may be open before anyone else's.

William Croft, Director of Emergency Operations for Shaw, said the company is already working on the parish's Hazard Mitigation plan that is due at the end of the month, and will review all FEMA project worksheets to make sure "you get all your bang for the buck."

ICE HOUSE COMING

The parish accepted the donation of an ice plant from the Shell Oil Foundation. Assistant District Attorney Tom Barrett announced that the plant should be shipped Thursday and arrive Monday. The parish will contract with Larry Miller to operate the plant at the former TJ's Seafood location. Barrett was authorized to complete contract negotiations with Miller, to include affordable prices for the ice, which is much needed by area shrimpers.

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Missouri became the 24th state on Aug. 10, 1821.

Schools to open here Aug. 21st

Cameron Parish schools will open on Monday, Aug. 21 and meetings of parents and teachers are being held this week to establish where students will be attending.

Students who attend Grand Lake, Hackberry and Johnson Bayou high schools will attend those schools as in the past.

Students of South Cameron High, South Cameron Elementary and Cameron Elementary will attend school in temporary buildings located at the South Cameron high site. There will be 44 new classrooms on the site.

Johnson Bayou students will attend school using the portable classrooms that were used in the spring semester at Hackberry. The cafeteria has been restored and the gym is expected to be restored by October.

All schools will operate on a regular five days per week schedule.

The School Board was able to retain all employees after the hurricane.

Mail to be upgraded here soon

U.S. Representative Charles W. Boustany, Jr. recently announced that the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) will expand operations in Cameron Parish. Congressman Boustany's office had been urging the USPS to expand mail delivery in Cameron Parish to aid in the rebuilding effort.

"I am pleased that the Postal Service has responded to the requests I have made. I'm sorry that I can't say the same for FEMA," said Boustany. "Residents of Cameron have to deal with enough during the rebuilding process, the least the Postal Service can do is provide easier access for mail delivery."

The changes announced by the USPS include the following:

Hours of mail pick up at the Cameron Parish Courthouse have been extended: 11 a.m - 2 p.m.

The rural route will be re-established for half of the households on the route. All Cameron residents are advised to put up their mailboxes.

The USPS will soon sign a lease to set up a temporary facility in Cameron Parish. The facility is expected to be operational 30 days from after the lease is signed.

THE LINE WAS very long for the food distributions at the Minvielle Outreach Ministry in Cameron on August 4th. The line of cars filled the parking lot and cars were parked on the side of the highway around the corner where Cameron State Bank was. (Photo courtesy of Dede Nunez.)

Free medical care offered here

Free Medical Care will be offered on Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 14 and 15 at the Minvielle Outreach Ministry tent site on the old post office grounds in Cameron.

Rev. Cheryl Minvielle from New Iberia has been working on getting free medical facilities here for about eight months and her dreams have finally come true.

With the help of the PRC, Pasters Relief Council of Compassion, a medical team will be in Cameron those two days with hopes to return more often. If enough people are seen, the Ministry will try to get free medical services on a regular basis.

A temporary kitchen will also be brought in so that all people will receive a hot meal. You do not need to be seen by the medical staff to get the meal. Volunteers will be needed to serve meals. Volunteers can call the number below to let Rev. Minvielle know you are coming to help.

Minvielle Ministries has been in Cameron Parish offering help since October with the first food truck coming in January. The Minvielle ministry has been approved to deliver food until January.

Volunteers are needed each Thursday to empty trucks from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

On Thursday, Aug. 17, a special eighteen-wheeler will be in Cameron to deliver food. Many volunteers will be needed on that day and a forklift will also be needed. Please call 364-5157 or 224-1612 for more information.

THIS IS A picture of Dugas Landing in Hackberry. The area may have been damaged and homes destroyed, but these ducks know they can always return. (Photo courtesy of Grace Welch.)

Funeral

FRANCIS MELVIN MILLER

Francis Melvin Miller, 73, of Lake Charles died Saturday, Aug. 5, 2006, in a local care facility.

He was a native of Iota and lived in Lake Charles for the past 50 years.

He was a member of Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Ramona Newman of Lake Charles and Roxanne Sonnier and her husband, John, of Grand Lake; five sons, Roderick Miller and his wife, Patsy of Lake Charles, Rickie Miller and his wife, Phyllis, Bryan Miller and his wife, Cindy, and Scotty Miller and his wife, Denise, all of Grand Lake; and Craig Miller and his wife, Doris, of Sulphur; 16 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren; one brother, Ronald Miller of Houston; and two sisters, Merita Aucoin of Eunice and Melva Miller of Walker. His wife, Fernella Grace Miller, precedes him in death.

His funeral was held Monday. Aug. 7, in Johnson Funeral Home. Deacon George Carr officiated. Burial was in Consolata Cemetery.

SHINY NEW desks on the move to their new homes at South Cameron High School. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

TIM MILLER, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Lloyd Sprague, of Denver, Colorado were among more than 20 Aegon employees who came from all around the country to help install furniture at South Cameron High School on Tuesday. The company has been a major donor for the restoration of the school. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

POLICE JURY

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RITA MONUMENT

Jerry Daigle, representing Hixson and Johnson Funeral Homes and Wilbert Industries vault company, presented a proposal to the jury to place a monument to Hurricane Rita victims and its destruction on the grounds of the Court House. The monument might include a time capsule. The group would like to dedicate it on the first anniversary of the storm, Sept. 23.

A committee of jurors was appointed to work with the group, whose plans are almost complete.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

CapitalOne senior vice-president Wanda Clark acquainted jurors with the New Market tax credit program, which she said is designed to promote economic development in low income communities. The plan gives tax credits to qualifying borrowers which, combined with Gulf Opportunity Zone incentives, should encourage investment in Cameron Parish, she said.

Ernie Broussard reported on a $200,000 grant for planning and plans for a mortgage program to provide low interest, no down payment loans for helping people re-populate Cameron Parish.

EOC REPORT

Parish OEP Director Clifton Hebert reported that right of way cleanup by the Corps of Engineers has ceased. Remaining debris along the roads will be written up for FEMA reimbursement on a project worksheet. Tire and white goods pick-up is taking place at this time.

About 30 building demolitions remain to be completed, and are projected to be done by next week.

The DEQ is finding less vehicles and boats under 50 ft. along the right of way than expected, so there should be money left to go after vehicles off the right of way and vessels over 50 ft. Hebert said the large boats stranded on the site of the future Creole Trail LNG terminal are scheduled to be removed by the owners, clearing the way for construction to begin on the plant.

Rusty Welch, representing Gravity Drainage Districts 3 and 4, reported that 11 projects have been approved so far for clean-up of drainage. Two have been awarded and await signatures, and three are set to go out for bid. Welch said the other six will be coming through soon.

Sammie Faulk asked about the future of the Jetty Pier and RV Park, and was told the PW's have already been written, and it only remains to ascertain who is the proper recipient, parish or state. The pier and park will be re-built, however.

Questions about Holly Beach sewer infractions by Ray Miler will be answered at a public meeting in Holly Beach on Saturday, said Juror Sonny McGee.

OTHER BUSINESS

In other business, the jury accepted bids on plastic culverts and three air curtain destructors. Keeling Company was the low bidder for plastic culverts to replace broken culverts around the parish, and Concept Products Corp. was low bidder, at $73,164.99, for the destructors, which are used at dump sites to burn woody debris.

No bids were received on stationary compactors, so they will be re-advertised.

Delta Development was the successful bidder on the repair of the jail kitchen and repainting of the jail. The project will cost $339,159.90.

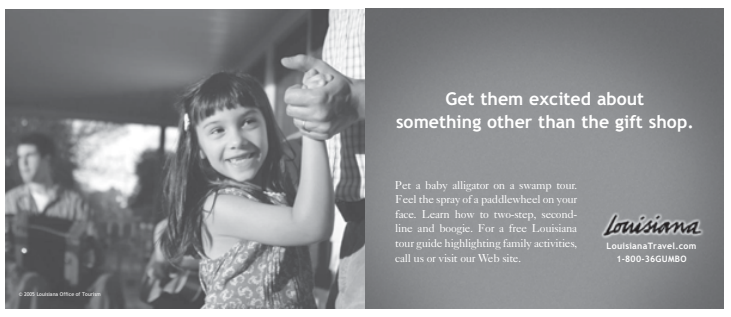
Also to be advertised are a replacement communications tower for the court house, repairs to the Rutherford Beach bridge, a bathroom facility for the Grand Lake maintenance barn, lease of a one acre tract of parish property in Grand Lake, and sale of surplus equipment by the library and road and bridge.

Two excavation and fill permits for Johnson Bayou were tabled at the request of the state coastal management department, who have questions about damage to the coastal cheniers.

APPOINTMENTS

John Walters was reappointed to the Communications District, and Alex "Black" Seay was reappointed to Gravity Drainage Dist. #9.

Liz Barnett was appointed to Recreation District #7, placing Kim Meaux who is not returning to the parish.



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Cameron Communications

THE GRAND CHENIER Elementary Sixth Grade of 1963-64 held a reunion at the new home of Mr. And Mrs. Whitney Baccigalopi in Lake Charles. Nine of the remaining eleven students were able to attend. Pictured above are (front row, from left): Carolyn (Bonsall) Summers, Dorothy (Baccigalopi) Falkenberg, Patricia (Dupuie) Cougar, Melodie (Swire) Knippers, Wedna Benoit, Gayle (Burleigh) LaFleur, Michael Styron; (back row) Carlos Belanger, Suetta (Jones) Burney, Jackie (McGeHee) Broussard, Karen (Mhire) Burchfield, Michael McCall. (Photo courtesy of Mike McCall)

Grand Chenier class has reunion

The Grand Chenier Elementary Sixth Grade of 1963-64 held a reunion at the new home of Mr. And Mrs. Whitney Baccigalopi in Lake Charles. Nine of the remaining eleven students were able to attend.

These former classmates attended grades one through six at Grand Chenier Elementary beginning in the 1958-59 school year and grades seven through twelve at South Cameron High School, graduating in 1970. Also attending were three South Cameron High classmates.

The afternoon was spent reminiscing about the past and enjoying good company and great food.

Out of town classmates traveled in from Houston, New Orleans and suburban Memphis, but one classmate traveled the farthest from Belgium.

Alliance to meet soon

The Grand Lake-Sweetlake Alliance, the organization serving as an unofficial Chamber of Commerce for the lake area, will hold its next meeting at 6 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 7 at the Grand Lake Fireman Center on Hwy. 384.

Guest speaker will be Mike Heinan of the Jeff Davis Electric Coop.

Alliance members and all other interested persons are invited to attend.

Town meeting set Aug. 22

A town meeting will be held for the Grand Lake/Big Lake communities at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 22 at the Grand Lake Firemen's Center. All interested persons are encouraged to attend.

Dump hours

The Sweetlake dump site will now be open on Sundays from 2 to 6 p.m. in addition to normal operating hours, according to the Cameron Parish Police Jury.

Memorial books donated

With the Cameron Parish Library now recovering from its great loss of books, equipment and facilities in Hurricane Rita, the donation of memorial books to the library has taken on new importance. Here are some memorial books donated recently with honoree, donor and name of the book listed in that order:

Pat Pinch, Alma Hebert, Storey's Guide to Raising Beef Cattle.

Preston Robinson, Richard & Dale Poole, Ricky & Kaylynn Poole, Daryl & Becky Poole, Marsh Mission.

Oren Doxey, Orson & Debbie Billings & Fly., Reader's Digest Nature in America.

Mamie Richard, Grand Chenier Homemakers, Singer Quick & Easy Decorating Projects.

Annie Laurie Miller, Grand Chenier Homemakers, Singer More Sewing for the Home.

Coy H. Miller, Peggy & Charles Bonsall, Life: Our Century in Pictures.

Sandra Sandy Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Earhart, Sewing For the Home.

Claude DeVall, Charlotte Trosclair, A Day in the Country.

Jonas Mayne, Charlotte Trosclair, America A to Z.

Pat Pinch, Charlotte Trosclair, The Complete Horse.

Meeting set

The Cameron Community Action Agency board of directors will meet on Monday, Aug. 28 at 12:30 p.m. at the Grand Lake Fireman Center. All members are urged to attend. Guests are welcome.

Hackberry News

By GRACE WELCH

CHURCH NEWS

New lay ministers of communion appointed to replace those St. Peter's lost are Jesse Kovach, K. J. and Haley Kovach, Aaron Savoie, Trisha Silvers, Cindy Duhon, Brennan Duhon, Kevin and Missy LaBauve, Tony and Keisha Constance, and Mae Doris Little.

New lectors are Cheryl Addison and Douglas Welch.

The K. C. meeting is on the third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m.

The Catholic Daughters Court 1980 from Sulphur is having a raffle on a Louisiana quilt designed and made by Barbara Breaux, Pat Miller and Ruby Palermo. All proceeds go to St. Peter the Apostle Church. If you would like to buy or sell tickets, please contact the church office. The drawing will be on the anniversary of Hurricane Rita, Sept. 23. Tickets will be sold after Mass this weekend.

RELOCATION

Caryn Rene Morris and sons Teddy and Ricky have gone to Fort Benning, Ga., where her husband, SSG Edward Morris is stationed. Caryn is the daughter of Patricia and Roland Kershaw of Houston, Tex. She is the granddaughter of Irene Kershaw and Grace Welch of Hackberry.

CATHOLIC NEWS

Aug. 15 is the Holy Day of Obligation of the Assumption of Mary, the patron saint of our church. As a community let us join together in a Novena in honor of Our Lady of the Assumption beginning Aug. 6 in order to help the Johnson Bayou community to receive the Eucharist more often during the Novena. Mass will be celebrated this week at OLA on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday morning at 8:30 a.m.

Hackberry Church tells activities

Four days of activities for youth ages 7th grade through college will be held at Hackberry's First Baptist Church Aug. 9-12.

A Youth Vacation Bible school will be held Wednesday through Friday at 6 p.m. each evening.

There will be live music, movies, fellowship, food and fun.

On Saturday the Calvary Chapel of Houston will present a "Summer's End Celebration" at the church for the same age group.

Activities will be from 2 to 7:30 p.m. and will include a free concert, contests, food and fun.

The schedule includes a concert by Chrissy Lovell, introduction of a former pro baseball player, Mike Robertson, now pastor of Calvary chapel; a basketball contest and football toss.

Hot dogs and hamburgers will be served and there will be t-shirts for everyone.

All youth in the area are invited to participate.

MR. & MRS. Lee R. Nunez (Bobbye Jean Collins) of Grand Chenier will celebrate their 50th anniversary with a family dinner at Pat's of Henderson on Saturday, August 12, at 6:30 p.m. They were married August 12, 1956 in Marthaville. They have two daughters, Vickie Guilliot and husband, Albert and Cindy Olivier and husband, Neal, all of Arnaudville. Their grandchildren are David Lee and Andre Savoie, Alexa Guilliot, Chloe and Clelie Olivier.

Parish Shooting Program makes plans for the fall

The Cameron Parish Shooting Sports Program is gearing up for 2006-07. In the aftermath of Hurricane Rita, the program came together to produce the Champion Jr. Trap Shooting Team, and several Senior Trap High Individuals. The program is growing tremendously. Youth from across the parish are signing up to participate, and adult volunteers are needed to be trained to coach these youth.

On Sept. 9-10, training will be conducted in Woodworth for all Shooting Sports disciplines (shotgun, rifle, air-rifle, pistol, BB gun, black powder, and archery).

If you or anyone that you know would like to participate, please contact the Cameron 4-H Office at 562-8900. Volunteers are needed to help keep the program and your youth growing.

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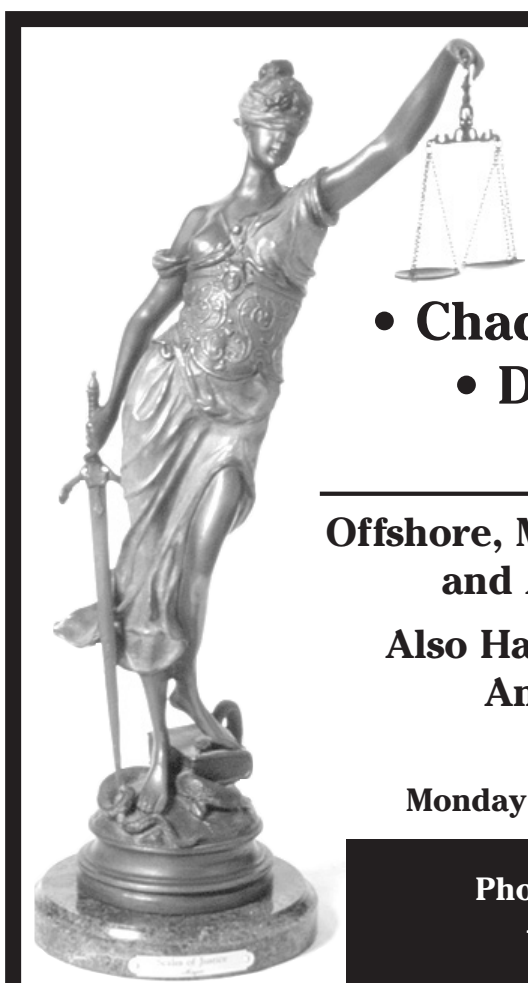

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The 150th anniversary of the founding of the Benedictine Sisters of Erie, Penn., has turned out to be a boon to the faith community of Our Lady Star of the Sea Church in Cameron and the repair of their church after the devastation of Hurricane Rita. In the top picture, workers unload a 53 foot van containing 102 pews, 58 lights (28 large, 30 small) and five large ceiling fans to refurnish the devastated Church donated by the community of religious sisters and place them in storage (shown below). According to Kathy Linse, the director of communications for the community, the cost to replace the items sent is between $65,000 and $75,000. The Erie sisters became interested in the badly damaged Cameron church after seeing the church resembled their own chapel, according to a story in the Erie Times News. One of the ways the sisters were celebrating their 150 years of existence was beginning a renovation of their own chapel, at Mount St. Benedict Monastery. An Erie moving and storage company gave the sisters a reduced rate to pack and ship the furnishings, which the sisters didn't want to sell or toss away. All of the donated items will be stored during the lengthy process of repairing the church.

Catholic schools begin August 16; spaces open

LAKE CHARLES - The end of summer is fast approaching for thousands of children in Southwest Louisiana and with it the beginning of the new school year for students attending the eight Catholic schools of the Diocese of Lake Charles.

Wednesday, August 16, will mark the first day of school in the Diocese and the principals of all eight schools want everyone to know that there is still time to register students in the Catholic schools and there are spaces available at most of the schools. The first day is a half-day with students leaving at noon.

Students in the Catholic schools of the Diocese have historically scored higher than students in the public system on standardized tests. Catholic schools opened last August with 2,636 students, slightly down from the 2004-2005 first day numbers.

The eight schools of the Diocese are:

Immaculate Conception Cathedral School, 1536 Ryan Street, features SAT scores consistently higher than the national average, an excellent teacher/student ratio, before and after school care and a summer day camp. Interested parents can reach Principal Dinah Bradford at dbradford@icc-school.org or by phone at 337-433-3497. The schools' web site is www.icc-school.org.

Our Lady Immaculate School provides classes from three years of age through eighth grade at its 600 Roberts Avenue location in Jennings. The school has an up to date computer lab and offers an exclusive and outstanding athletic program. Joann Wallwork, the principal, can be reached at 337-824-1743 or at jwallwork@olischool.org. The school's web site is www.ollischool.org

Our Lady Queen of Heaven School, located at 3908 Creole Street, has an award- winning fine arts department as well as a challenging curriculum including a number of advanced classes. The school provides an atmosphere that encourages academic success while nurturing and developing the faith-lives of the students and faculty. Principal Mary Ann Hipp can be reached at 337-477-7349 or by e-mail at olqhs@olqhs.org. The school's web site address is www.olqhs.org.

Our Lady's School, located at 1111 Cypress Street in Sulphur, offers classes a challenging curriculum for Pre-K through eighth grade students and is the only Catholic school on the west side of the Calcasieu River. Carol Fetters, an educator with 26 years experience, is the principal and she can be reached at cfetters@ourladysschool.org or 337-527-7828. The school web site is www.olcs.org.

Sacred Heart/St. Katharine Drexel School offers 98 years of ministry in Catholic Christian education from pre-kindergarten through eighth grade integrating culture and faith. Due to damages to the school buildings by Hurricane Rita, the Pre-K through fifth grade is located at 301 N. Cherry Street while the sixth through eighth grades are at 1100 Mill Street. Contact Principal Kathleen Dorsey Bellow at 337-436-3588 or at dorseybellow@sh-skd.org. The school's web site is www.sacredheartkd.org

St. Louis Catholic High School, the only Catholic High School in the Diocese of Lake Charles, is the consolidation of three Catholic schools, Landry Memorial High School, St. Charles Academy and Sacred Heart High School. The school located at 1620 Bank Street has an award-winning choir and offers French, Spanish, and Latin courses. The students' ACT scores are consistently above local, state, and national averages. The school offers 13 interscholastic sports, including defending district and state championship teams. The principal, William Simon, can be reached at 337-436-7275. The school's web site is www.stlouishighschool.org.

St. Margaret of Scotland School, located at 2510 Enterprise Boulevard, offers a quality Pre-Kindergarten to eighth grade curriculum as well as extended day care supervised by St. Margaret faculty. The school also offers a full range of enrichment and athletic programs. Principal Brenda Dufrene can be reached at 337-436-7959 and the school's web site is www.stmcs.com

St. Theodore Holy Family School, located at 785 Sam Houston Jones Parkway, offers a pre-kindergarten through eighth grade curriculum including a computer lab for all grades and a middle school laptop program. Principal Trish Trejo can be reached at 337-855-9465 or via e-mail at trejo@sthfcs.com. The school's web site is www.sthfcs.com.

The Office of Catholic Schools of the Diocese of Lake Charles is located at 411 Iris Street and can be reached at 337-439-7418, Ext. 18.

New principal at OLS not new to education

SULPHUR - Our Lady's School is located on Cypress Street, right next door to Our Lady of Prompt Succor Church, and the school's new principal, Mrs. Carol Fetters, sees a certain notability to the school, the only Catholic school on the west side of the Calcasieu River.

"The uniqueness of this particular school is that even though we are located here in Sulphur we are owned by six parishes," Fetters said. "With that uniqueness in mind and such a diversified alumni there is continuous support of the community for the school. That support is not only continuous but stable. If I need something all I have to do is pick up the phone and that support is here."

Even though she is new to Our Lady's School, Fetters is an experienced educator.

"My background in education adds strength to the fact that I am a new principal but not new to education," Fetters said. She has a Bachelor's degree in elementary education from Lamar University, a Master's degree in Early Childhood Education from McNeese State University, and certification in educational administration in Texas from Houston Baptist University, and has taught every grade level from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade in her 26-year career.

"The experience as a teacher has allowed me to examine individual differences in students and their various needs at their various levels," she said. "With that expertise also comes the knowledge of curriculum and benchmarks, among other things that are necessary for an administrator to be successful in preparing the students for future needs."

Carol Fetters

As she begins her first year Fetters will be seeking more parent involvement in the school

"The component that needs to be strengthened is parent involvement and the issues that go with that," she said. "That goes for getting volunteers for service as well.

"Another goal I have set is to integrate technology with the classroom tools so as to increase parental involvement with the education of the children as well. Those two together should do a lot to enable our students to be ready for the high schools they are going to enter - especially St. Louis."

Several other changes, along with a sprucing up of the school and repairs to the damage wrought by Hurricane Rita, for the 2006-2007 school term have a new uniform for students and a new school logo.

"We have gone from a red polo shirt to a traditional navy shirt with khaki pants, navy blue shirt, white logo and khaki pants," Fetter said. "We have a new logo. It was designed with the tradition as well as some minor changes to the existing logo."

With the renovations come other temporary changes at Our Lady's School.

"As a result of the refurbishment we have changed our after care program and we are offering after care alternatives to provide services to our families," Fetters said. "We are networking with licensed day care facilities for the same price that we were offering our aftercare until the renovations are complete. We are referring people with those needs to agencies in Sulphur and providing transportation through the Calcasieu Parish School Board as a partner in helping us meet some of those needs."

A Catholic school principal has to be an educator, an administrator and a fundraiser.

"The need for financial knowledge is also a prerequisite for a Catholic school principal and having administrator experience as well as grant writing expertise will enable me to be open minded and flexible, which are needed in the financial knowledge base of a Catholic school principal" Fetter said.

A Catholic school education is seen by many as superior to that of a public school education. Fetters sees one component of the Catholic school education as a key.

"Self-discipline is part of the key, the uniform thing, all of those things come together to provide the students with more self-discipline."

Covert doing internship at Sacred Heart of Jesus

LAKE CHARLES - For men studying for the priesthood at Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans, the fourth year takes them out of the classroom and into parish life. It is at that time that the students are assigned to a church within their own diocese to fulfill a seven-month Diaconate Internship. Some two months ago, Derek Covert, one of five men studying for the priesthood for the Diocese of Lake Charles, began this tutelage at Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish in Lake Charles under the supervision of the Rev. Henry Mancuso.

In this situation Covert is learning what it's like to be with the people of God experiencing the ebb and flow of a faith community.

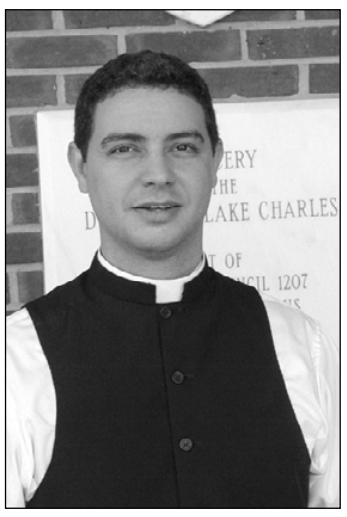
"They want us to experience as much ministry as we can as an unordained man," Covert said. "For me that has included teaching and preaching in areas such as Adoration and Benediction. I also teach various conferences and things of that nature. I am currently doing a teaching presentation on Mary and the Bible and Marian devotion and adoration at Crossroads Bookstore.

"I have also been involved in prison ministry, which I hope to do frequently maybe once a month and twice month with a group of laymen here in the diocese," Covert continued. "I do once a week hospital ministry, taking an afternoon to visit the parishioners of Sacred Heart in various hospitals in the diocese."

As you would expect, Covert is also deeply involved in the parish's liturgical ministry, serving at daily Mass and serving on weekends as acolyte and sometimes a lector, depending upon the need. He is involved with funerals and weddings as well as marriage preparation.

During the internship period Covert has been asked by Father Mancuso to become involved in the parish's youth ministry program.

"The re-establishment of the youth program has been difficult since the hurricane," Covert said. "So Father Mancuso asked me to help with restructuring, offering vision and creating enthusiasm for various activities and events and service projects.



Derek Covert

"What we are looking at in my last five months will be working with the youth, calling meetings together to hear their ideas and see what it is they would like to see within the program. Also I am doing my own research in youth ministry, talking to youth ministers along with using ideas I have had in previous youth ministry experience to see how we can establish a program that will sustain itself."

Following the internship Covert will serve in a leadership role on a seminary mission trip as one of three fourth year seminarians on the trip.

"I will be doing a mission trip, Accompáno, to Nicaragua for two weeks in December as part of the leadership team for seminary," Covert said. "The trip is one that all first year students are required to take. They pick six men to provide leadership and logistics for the trip, allowing everyone in the 40-man group to experience what it's like to be on a mission trip."

During the internship Covert is still responsible for various seminary functions.

"We have to go back to seminary for two weeks to take classes," he said. " We also have weekly meetings with our supervisors to talk about various events and ministries that we've been involved with to see how we are doing. They have to give us an evaluation and all of that has to be sent to the seminary."

Covert admits to sometimes feeling somewhat overwhelmed, even though his experience has been a positive one.

"At times, I feel unprepared just because of the immensity of the ministry but at the same time I feel very prepared in everything we have done," he said.

The unknowns of working in some ministries have given Covert anxious times.

"I was doing prison ministry and I had a great anxiety because I didn't know what was going to happen," Covert said. "I was very anxious before into the jail but when I walked in, even though I was in a prison for the first time, that anxiety began to part and I felt a deep connection with the inmates.

"There was really no explanation because though I was anxious that anxiety was really removed. The Lord allowed me to experience it and to humble me. When I walked out I was rejuvenated. I had a deep joy of being there."

According to Covert making hospital calls has also provided unique experiences.

"Every time I leave the hospital I am more convinced of the life of simplicity that I am called to live. When I go in to meet with people, I feel I have nothing to offer them, except our Lord. When we talk I feel my faith is deepened just being there with them. I am called to a deeper sense of love because of the pain and the sorrow that many people are going through."

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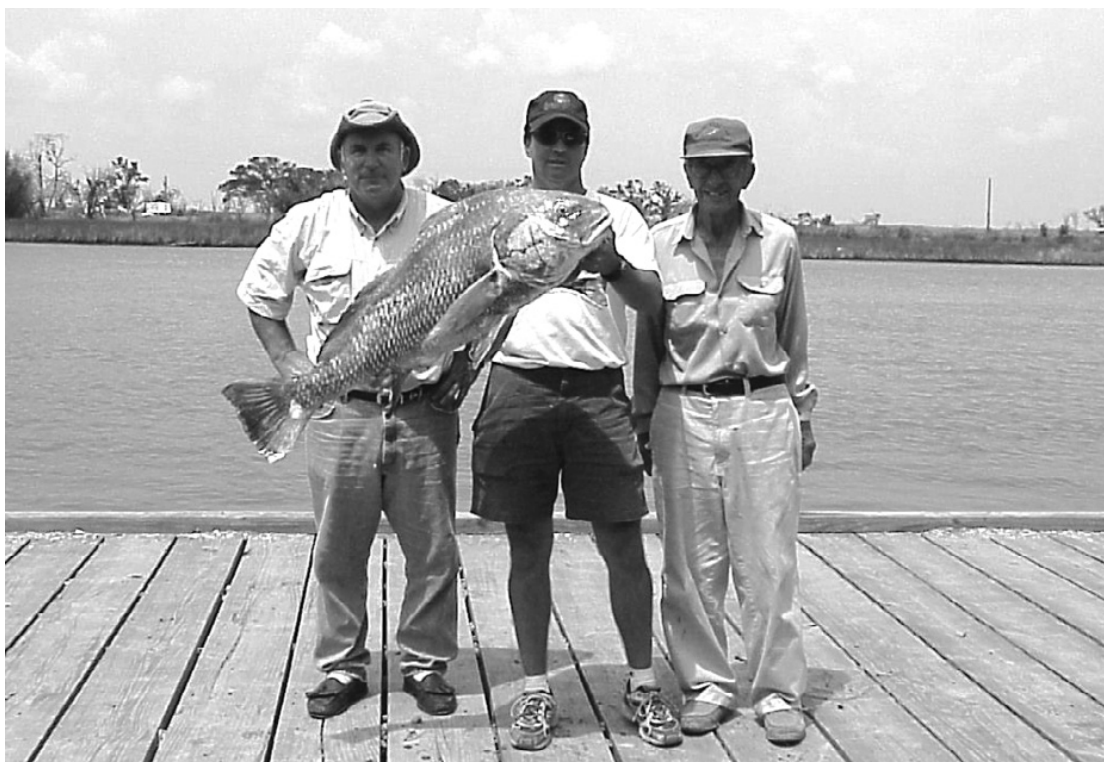


GERALD DAIGLE, Kevin Savoie, weighmaster; and Burton Daigle are shown with the first place Black Drum in the 2006 Cameron Fishing Festival. Mr. Burton, former Cameron Tax Assessor and lifetime resident of Cameron, still enjoys fishing.

KEVIN SAVOIE flings a fish at the weigh-in station during the Cameron Saltwater Fishing Festival held at Grand Chenier Park last weekend. Recording the weights were Vida Landry and Karen McCall. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

Cameron Outdoors

By LOSTON MCEVERS

FISH RECORDS

The third annual Cameron Saltwater Fishing Festival and Rodeo was a success, although rain had the Grand Chenier Park area a little muddy. Visitors had plenty of food and good music to enjoy under the pavilion.

WINNERS

Bay and Surf: Speckle Trout - Bodie LaBove, 7.2; Quentin LeBouf, 4.1; Bodie LaBove, 3.66. Redfish - Tommy Jordan, 30.2; Kaleb Trahan, 28.4; Russell Potier, 28.3. Flounder - Quentin Chaumont, 2.84; Carl Aguillard, Jr., 1.82; Greg January, 1.4. Sheephead - Chad DeBarge, 4.06 and 4.06 (first and second); Russell Potier, 4.02. Gafftop - Russell Potier, 7.2; Jennifer Saltzman, 6.08; Ronald Nunez, 5.98. Garfish - Todd Richard, 78.1 and 74.4; Private Miller, 45.2. Croaker - Tommy Jordan, .94; Mina Fontenot, .84; J. Berton Daigle, .82. White Trout - Vickie Roberts, .90; Ed Franks, .72 and .64.

Junior Division: Red Snapper - Ruston Smith, 6.68 and 4.06; Kenneth Brecktel, Jr., 2.52. Spadefish - Keith Foreman, 3.36 and 3.00; Kenneth Bracktel, Jr., 3.22. Spanish Mackerel - Keith Foreman, 2.98; Jonathon Quinn, 1.56. Bonito - Ruston Smith, 7.46; Kenneth, Brecktel, Jr., 5.16 and 4.56. Triggerfish - Ruston Smith, 2.7 and 1.6; Kenneth Brecktel, Jr., 1.44; Gafftop - T-Chad CeBarge, 7.52 and 6.6; Christopher Trahan, 6.28. Speckle Trout - Brand LeBouf, 4.9 and 3.98; Grant Davis, 4.02. Redfish - Zavier Theriot, 29.9; Tanner Knipper, 29.2; Blake Payne, 27.7. Croaker - Joel Rogers, .70; Jordan Hanks, .64; Brandon LeBouf, .62. Flounder - Madison LeJeune, 3.28, 2.08 and 1.90.

Offshore Division: Cobia (Ling) - Brad Baker, 19.7. Dolphin - Jody Styron, 4.08; Jack Laviolette, 2.16; Kendall Styron, 1.24. Barracuda - Kenneth Brecktel, Jr., .96. Red Snapper - George Heard, 12.0; Dale Conner, 11.42; Daniel Duprie, 8.08. Jackfish - William Baker, 2.28; Brad Baker, 22.0 and 20.3. Tripletail - Dale Conner, 3.78 and 2.72; Brad Baker, 2.8. Bonito - Daniel Duprie, 9.76; Justin Picou, 7.6; Derek Hardie, 7.08. Spadefish - George Heard, 5.12; Russell Brecktel, 4.8; Brad Baker, 4.54. Bluefish - Brad Baker, 1.62; George Heard, 1.58 and 1.48. King Mackerel - Kendall Styron, 17.1; Cody Styron, 17.0; Justin Picou, 16.32. Triggerfish - Cody Styron, 2.82, 2.12 and 1.86. Spanish Mackerel - Fara Cloud, 3.62; Ben Welsh, 1.86; Fred Patrick, 1.22.

CCA'S STAR LEADERS

There were a few changes in the leaders this week. In the Session II West Division - 1st, Lance Conner, 6.95; Cory LeBouf, 6.85; Joey Bergeron, 6.60. Andy Oliver got knocked out. In the Flounder Division, Paul Frilot took the lead with a 5.80 pounder. In the Early Bird drawing, it was Darryl Lajormie.

Lifetime Licenses given were to Katie Johnson and Karlie Major. There has been only one tagged redfish caught and Chris Vallette of Sulphur has the honor. There is still 49 tagged redfish somewhere out there. Remember the 101 day tournament ends Sept. 4, so we have less than a month to try to catch the fish that'll put us on the leader board.

TOLEDO BEND

Water levels have fallen on Toledo Bend Lake to 164.8 and the generators are running 8 to 9 hours each day. Temperatures are 82 to 86 degrees. Anglers are still doing good on bass and lots of crappie are being caught.

FISH RECORDS

We all know what Hurricane Rita and Katrina did to our Louisiana Coast. Now that almost a year has passed and folks are slowly getting back to our coast. Next year, I think more people will move back to the coast.

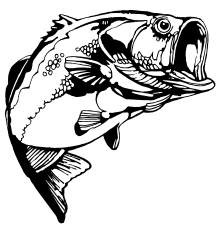
Saltwater fishing is great not only for sportsman, but for commercial fishing as well. Where there's fishing, there's fish out there that will set records. The Louisiana Outdoor Writer's Association keeps all state records and there are still some categories of fish with our state records have no or very few entries.

The Fly-fishing group, both in fresh and saltwater division have openings. The rod and reel division also has many openings with new species added for 2005-06.

A new record of 358.25 pound Warsaw Grouper and two new fly-fishing records with a sheephead, 7.58 pounder and black drum of 54.55 pounds. These are first place records for this year. You'll see Edward McIntyre's 9.35 sheephead is in first place, rod and reel. So we know there's large sheephead out there to be taken on fly rods. The same goes for Black Drum with the 58.5 pounder caught on rod and reel that Lori Reed caught.

There are certain rules to follow and new requirements for submitting your catch for recognition. Starting this year, all applicants are asked to e-mail digital pictures of their catch so that they can be circulated.

Applications and rules can be downloaded at www.laoutdoorwriters.com under fish records of Bill Ford, records chairman at fishrecords@yahoo.com .



Hunter Ed class told

A Hunter Education Course will be held at the Vinton VFW Hall, 2292 Hwy. 109, Vinton Sept. 4, 5 and 6 from 6 to 9:30 p.m. each evening.

Youngsters must complete such a course before they can get their Louisiana hunting license. For information call Bill Newman at 589-2657.

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NOTICE TO VOTERS OF
SPECIAL BOND AND
MAINTENANCE TAX
ELECTION

To the qualified electors of Lower Cameron Hospital Service District, Cameron Parish, Louisiana:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on the 8th day of June, 2006, the Board of Commissioners, acting as the governing authority of Lower Cameron Hospital Service District, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, ordered that a special election be held in Lower Cameron Hospital Service District on Saturday, the 30th day of September, 2006, for the purpose of submitting to all qualified electors of said ~~District,~~ the following proposition:

MAINTENANCE TAX PROPOSITION

SUMMARY: AUTHORITY FOR LOWER CAMERON HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT, CAMERON PARISH, LOUISIANA, TO LEVY AND COLLECT A 10-YEAR MAINTENANCE TAX OF 21 MILLS FOR THE PURPOSE OF OPERATING AND MAINTAINING THE DISTRICT'S HOSPITAL FACILITIES.

Shall Lower Cameron Hospital Service District, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, levy and collect a maintenance tax of 21 mills on all property subject to taxation in said District for a period of ten (10) years from the first levy of the tax, for the purpose of operating an~~d maint~~aining such hospital buildings, related hospital facilities and equipment within and for said District, title to which shall be in the public; and, simultaneously, upon levy of said tax, cancel the levy and collection of that certain 3.66 mill maintenance tax approved by the electors of the District on April 15, 2000, and initially levied in the year 2000?

Said election will be held and temporary buildings will be provided at each of the polling places situated within the boundaries of Lower Cameron Hospital Service District, Cameron Parish, Louisiana. All registered voters in each of the following precincts shall be eligible to vote on the propositions:

PRECINCT, POLLING PLACE;

2, Cameron Parish Police Jury Annex, 110 Smith Circle, Cameron;

12, Fire Station, E Creole/Muria, 129 Muria Road, Creole;

13, Creole Fire Station, 184-B East Creole Highway, Creole;

14, Cameron Parish Police Jury Annex, 110 Smith Circle, Cameron;

15, Cameron Parish Police Jury Annex, 110 Smith Circle, Cameron;

ONLY THOSE REGISTERED VOTERS IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING PRECINCTS WHO RESIDE WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF LOWER CAMERON HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT, CAMERON PARISH, LOUISIANA, SHALL BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE ON THE PROPOSITIONS:

PRECINCT, POLLING PLACE;

1 (Part), Multi Purpose Bldg, 5556 Gulf Beach Hwy, Johnson Bayou;

17 (Part), Grand Chenier Fire Station, 4011 Grand Chenier Highway, Grand Chenier;

The polls will be open at six (6:00) o'clock a.m. and shall remain open until not later than eight (8:00) o'clock p.m. The said special election will be held substantially in accordance with the general election laws of the State of Louisiana, except that the election is called and shall be conducted, canvassed, and promulgated, and notice thereof given in accordance with the procedures set forth in Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended. The officials appointed to hold the election or such substitutes therefor as may be selected, designated and sworn in compliance with Sections 1286 through 1289 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, will make due returns thereof to the Board of Commissioners, acting as the governing authority of Lower Cameron Hospital Service District of Cameron Parish, Louisiana. Voting machines will be used in the conduct of the election. All qualified electors of Lower Cameron Hospital Service District of Cameron Parish, Louisiana, will be entitled to vote. No voter shall be required to sign a ballot or vote assessed valuation of property.

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, the 3rd day of October, 2006, 5:30 o'clock p.m., the Board of Commissioners will meet in open and public session at the special meeting place of the Board of Commissioners, Grand Lake High School, Grand Lake, Louisiana, and will, then and there, examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of said election.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED in Grand Lake, Louisiana, by authority of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners, acting as the governing authority of Lower Cameron Hospital Service District of Cameron Parish, Louisiana, on the 8th day of June, 2006.

/s/ Kyle Theriot
Kyle Theriot, President
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:
/s/ Gregory Fawvor
Gregory Fawvor, Secretary
Board of Commissioners
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PUBLIC NOTICE
GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES
OF LOWER CAMERON
HOSPITAL SERVICE DISTRICT
CAMERON PARISH,
LOUISIANA

Beginning at the southeast corner of Cameron Parish, Louisiana; thence in a northerly direction along the east line of Cameron Parish, Louisiana, to the northeast corner of Township 13 South, Range 3 West in Cameron Parish, Louisiana (and being the northeast corner of Section 1, Township 13 South, Range 3 West);

THENCE in a westerly direction along the north line of Township 13 South, Ranges 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 West (traversing the Intracoastal Canal, Rabbit Island, Lacassine Point, the Lacassine National Wildlife Refuge, and Cameron Prairie National Wildlife Refuge and the Sweetlake Oil Field) to the northwest corner of Section 6, Township 13 South, Range 7 West (near the east bank of Sweet Lake);

THENCE south along the west boundary of Sections 6 and 7, Township 13 South, Range 7 West (crossing the Intracoastal Canal in Section 7, Township 13 South, Range 7 West) to the northeast corner of Section 24, Township 13 South, Range 8 West;

THENCE westerly along the north boundaries of Sections 24, 23, 22, 21, 20 and 19, Township 13 South, Range 8 West and the north line of Section 24, Township 13 South, Range 9 West (traversing Blind Lake and Cross Canal) to the east bank of the Calcasieu Lake;

THENCE from the east bank of Calcasieu Lake, continue westerly crossing Calcasieu Lake along the southern boundaries of Wards 4 and 6 to the northeast corner of Section 19, Township 13 South, Range 9 West at Long Point;

THENCE southwesterly along the bank of Calcasieu Lake to the northeast corner of Section 6, Township 14 South, Range 10 West;

THENCE west along the north line of Section 6, Township 14 South, Range 10 West to the northwest corner of Section 6, Township 14 South Range 10 West;

THENCE southerly along the west lines of Township 14 South, Range 10 West and Township 15 South, Range 10 West extending southerly to the southern most boundary of Cameron Parish;

THENCE easterly along the southern boundary of Cameron Parish to the point of beginning, point of beginning being the southeast corner of Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

/s/ Kyle Theriot
Kyle Theriot, President
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:
/s/ Gregory Fawvor
Gregory Fawvor, Secretary
Board of Commissioners
RUN: July 27,Aug. 3,10,17(Ju-44)

NOTICE FOR BIDS

Acting under the authority of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, the Cameron Parish School Board will receive sealed bids for the leasing of all surface rights including the rights of range, trapping, hunting, fishing, and farming, on the following described lands for the unexpired term as indicated in the description below:

SECTION-TOWNSHIP-RANGE, UNEXPIRED TERM, DESCRIPTION;

16-12-12, 4 Years, Located of Bancroft Canal; near Black Bayou Filed; two (2) miles South of Calcasieu-Cameron line; three (3) miles North of Sabine Refuge; nine (9) miles East of Sabine River, containing approximately 644.48 acres.

16-12-13, 2 Years, Approximately three (3) miles East of Sabine River. Two (2) miles South of Calcasieu Parish line, containing approximately 640 acres.

16-14-3, 2 Years, Partial Section (332.96 acres) three (3) miles West of Vermillion Parish Line; bordering Grand Lake.

16-14-12, 3 Years, Seven (7) miles West of Southwest corner of Sabine Lake within boundaries of Sabine Refuge; adjacent to Starks Canal.

16-15-4, 2 Years, Approximately one (1) mile North of Highway 82 in Grand Chenier area; North of Rockefeller Refuge.

16-15-5, 4 Years, Located in Grand Chenier area; bordered on the North by La. Highway 82; 561.21 acres.

16-15-7, 4 Years, Along the Gulf; approximately one (1) mile South of the Mermentau River and five (5) miles West of lower Mud Lake; 22.46 acres.

16-15-14, 3 Years, Nine (9) miles East of Texas line and one (1) mile North of Gulf of Mexico in Johnson Bayou, less 20 acres under separate lease, containing 620 acres.

(A description map may be seen in the School Board Office during normal working hours.)

NOTE: Leaseholders on listed sections have until July 31, 2006 to renew the lease. If annual rental payment is received prior to this date the bids on these sections will be returned unopened.

All bids must be sealed; the envelope marked "Bid _ Section 16, Township ___, Range ___" and may be forwarded through the U.S. Mail to the Cameron Parish School Board, P. O. Box 1548, Cameron, LA 70631. Bidder must offer an annual rental of not less than $2.00 per acre for a lease for the unexpired term as listed above. Annual renewal rentals will be due each year by July 31st, in order to continue the lease in effect. Cash payment or a certified or cashier's check, or teller's check, or an official check issued by a bank in favor of the Cameron Parish School Board for the amount of the annual rental for the first year shall accompany and be deposited with the bid (no checks other than types noted above are acceptable) and the rental thus deposited shall be forfeited to the Board as liquidated damages if the successful bidder fails to enter into written contract in accordance with his bid within ten (10) days after acceptance by the Board. The bid submitted must include the following information: Name of Bidder, Address of Bidder, Phone Number of Bidder.

Bidders are reminded that the lease is for the unexpired term.

If farming rights are utilized, bidder may offer annual rental plus a fractional part of not less than one-sixth (1/6) of any and all crops produced and saved during the year. The value of the one-sixth (1/6) share shall not be considered in the awarding of the lease unless the bidder guarantees a specific amount which shall be added to and accompany the bid. Should the one-sixth (1/6) value of crops be less than the cash guarantee paid at the time of the lease, the Cameron Parish School Board shall demand such additional payment as necessary to bring the value adjustment to a full one-sixth (1/6) of crops produced and harvested on any and all listed sections, and thirty-five percent (35%) of cash market value of all alligators harvested by lessee. Lessor reserves the right to gather and dispose of alligator eggs from the lease premises, without any compensation to lessee.

The surface rights and privileges granted in the lease are restricted to range, trapping, hunting, farming, and fishing and these rights shall in no way, manner, or form interfere with the granting of a mineral lease or the full utilization of all rights and privileges granted in any mineral lease.

It is further agreed and understood between the contracting parties hereto that this lease shall be heritable, but shall not be subject to mortgage, pledge, hypothecation or seizure and sale, nor shall the said lease be assigned, subleased, or otherwise transferred by the said lessee unless authorized by prior written approval of the lessor. Such assignment, sublease or transfer of said lease shall be subject to terms and conditions as may be deemed proper by the lessor. Terms and conditions for subleasing may be obtained by contacting the Cameron Parish School Board land manager.

The Cameron Parish School Board does not warrant or provide ingress or egress to the leased premises. Ingress and egress is the sole responsibility of lessee.

Bids will be received until the hour of 4:00 p.m., August 14, 2006 at which time all bids received will be opened and considered in public session of the Cameron Parish School Board in Cameron, Louisiana.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids received.

BY: Douglas L. Chance,
Superintendent
CAMERON PARISH
SCHOOL BOARD
RUN: July 27, Aug. 3, 10 (JU 45)

NOTICE FOR BIDS

Acting under the authority of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, the Cameron Parish School Board will receive sealed bids for the leasing of all surface rights including the rights of range, trapping, hunting, fishing, and farming, on the following described lands:

SECTION-TOWNSHIP-RANGE, DESCRIPTION;

16-12-6, Containing approximately 640.00 acres; two (2) miles South of Calcasieu Parish Line and five and one-half (5 1/2) miles East of La. Highway 27.

16-13-10, Located off Highway 27; three (3) miles West of Calcasieu Lake; bordered on West by North Canal.

16-15-15, Two and one-half (2 1/2) miles East of Sabine River; approximately two (2) miles North of Gulf of Mexico along La. Highway 82 in Johnson Bayou.

16-14-10, 47.13 acres, bordering the Southwest corner of Calcasieu Lake; three (3) miles West of the ship channel in Cameron.

(A description map may be seen in the School Board Office during normal working hours.)

All bids must be sealed; the envelope marked "Bid - Section 16, Township __, Range __" and may be forwarded through the U.S. Mail to the Cameron Parish School Board, P. O. Box 1548, Cameron, LA 70631. Bidder must offer an annual rental of not less than $2.00 per acre for a lease with a primary term of five years to end July 31st, 2011. Annual renewal rentals will be due each year by July 31st, in order to continue the lease in effect. Cash payment or a certified or cashier's check, or teller's check, or an official check issued by a bank in favor of the Cameron Parish School Board for the amount of the annual rental for the first year shall accompany and be deposited with the bid (no checks other than types noted above are acceptable) and the rental thus deposited shall be forfeited to the Board as liquidated damages if the successful bidder fails to enter into written contract in accordance with his bid within ten (10) days after acceptance by the Board.

The bid submitted must include the following information: Name of Bidder, Address of Bidder, and Phone Number of Bidder.

If farming rights are utilized, bidder may offer annual rental plus a fractional part of not less than one-sixth (1/6) of any and all crops produced and saved during the year. The value of the one-sixth (1/6) share shall not be considered in the awarding of the lease unless the bidder guarantees a specific amount which shall be added to and accompany the bid. Should the one-sixth (1/6) value of crops be less than the cash guarantee paid at the time of the lease, the Cameron Parish School Board shall demand such additional payment as necessary to bring the value adjustment to a full one-sixth (1/6) of crops produced and harvested on any and all listed sections, and thirty-five percent (35%) of cash market value of all alligators harvested by lessee. Lessor reserves the right to gather and dispose of alligator eggs from the lease premises, without any compensation to lessee.

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Bids will be received until the hour of 4 p.m., August 14, 2006, at which time all bids received will be opened and considered in public session of the Cameron Parish School Board in Cameron, Louisiana.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids received.

BY: Douglas L. Chance,
Superintendent
CAMERON PARISH
SCHOOL BOARD
RUN: July 27, Aug. 3, 10 (JU 46)

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Coastal Management
Divisison of The Louisiana
Department of Natural Resources
Periodic Review of the Cameron
Parish Coastal Zone Management
Program
FY 2003-2005

Notice is hereby given that the State Coastal Zone Management Program will be conducting a local coastal program periodic review for Cameron Parish, pursuant to La. R.S. 49:214.28(H)(3). The review will take place Wednesday, August 16, 2006 at the Cameron Parish Police Jury, 10080 Gulf Hwy., Grand Lake, LA 70607 at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Documentation relevant to the review will be available to the public at the Louisiana Coastal Management Division office on the 10th floor of the LaSalle Building at 617 N. 3rd St., Baton Rouge, LA 70802. Coastal Management Division will be accepting comments from the date of publication to 9/30/2006. The public is invited to submit comments by mail or email for consideration during the review. Correspondence and additional information regarding the reviews should be addressed to: Mr. Gregory J. DuCote, Program Manager, Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Coastal Management Divison, P. O. Box 44487, Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4487 gregory.ducote@la.gov.
RUN: Aug. 3, 10 (Au-9)

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals for the construction of the following project will be received by the Cameron Parish Police Jury until **10:00 AM on 28 August 2006** at the Police Jury Temporary Offices, 10080 Gulf Hwy., Grand Lake Community, Lake Charles, LA 70607.

Project Number: 2006-10
Post-Rita Restoration of Hackberry Maintenance Barn

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

I. Building Construction.

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

Full information and proposal forms are available at the office of Lonnie G. Harper & Associates, Inc., Post Office Box 229, Grand Chenier, Louisiana 70643-0229, (337) 538-2574. Plans and specifications may be inspected upon deposit of $50.00 per set. Bids must be submitted on proposal forms provided by the engineer. Official action will be taken at the regularly scheduled Cameron Parish Police Jury meeting. The Cameron Parish Police Jury reserves the right to reject any or all the proposals and to waive informalities.

Cameron Parish Police Jury
/s/ Douaine Conner, President.
RUN: Aug. 3, 10, 17 & 24.(Au-19)

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals for the construction of the following project will be received by the Cameron Parish Water and Wastewater District Number 1 until **3:00 PM on 24 August 2006** at the Cameron Parish Water annd Wastewater District Number 1 Office, 125 Carter Street, Cameron LA 70631.

Project Number: 2006-13
Post-Rita Maintenance of Cameron Elevated Water Storage Tower

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

Specialty: Painting (Industrial and Commercial).

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

Full information and proposal forms are available at the office of Lonnie G. Harper & Associates, Inc., Post Office Box 229, Grand Chenier, Louisiana 70643-0229, (337) 538-2574. Plans and specifications may be inspected upon deposit of $50.00 per set. Bids must be submitted on proposal forms provided by the engineer. Official action will be taken at the regularly scheduled Cameron Parish Water and Wastewater District Number 1 meeting. The Cameron Parish Water and Wastewater District Number 1 reservs the right to reject any or all the proposals and to waive informalities.

Cameron Parish Water and
Wastewater District Number 1
/s/ J. C. Murphy, President
RUN: Aug. 3, 10, 17 & 24 (Au-20)

PUBLIC NOTICE
CAMERON PARISH COASTAL
USE PERMIT APPLICATION

Interested parties are hereby notified that the Coastal Management Section of the Cameron Parish Police Jury has received the following apparently complete application for a Coastal Use Permit in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Louisiana Coastal Resources Program and R.S. 49, 213.1, the State and Local Coastal Resources Management Act of 1978, as amended.

C.U.P. #____, L.C.U.P.# 060814

Name of Applicant: Patrick LaRocca, 133 Belle Savane, Lake Charles, LA 70607.

Location of permit: Grand Lake, Section 6, T12S-R8W, Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

Character of Work: Mr. LaRocca proposes to excavation approximately 4,700 cubic yards of clay, mud, and top soil to provide fill material which will be utilized for a house pad and driveway. The excavated area will be used as a pond.

The decision on whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impacts of the proposed activity in accordance Police Jury Ordinance. The decision will reflect in the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The decision must be consistent and must represent an appropriate balancing of social, environmental and economic factors. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered; among these are flood and storm hazards, water quality, water supply, feasible alternative sites, drainage patterns, historical sites, economics, public and private benefits, coastal water dependency, impacts on natural features, compatibility with the natural and cultural setting and the extent of long term benefits or adverse impacts.

Certification that the proposed activity will not violate applicable water and air quality, laws, standards and regulations will be required before a permit is issued.

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

Plans for the proposed work may be inspected at the Cameron Parish Police Jury Annex Building, P.O. Box 1280, Cameron, Louisiana, (337) 775-5718. Written comments should be mailed within 25 days from the date of this public notice to Cameron Parish Police Jury, Post Office Box 1280, Cameron, Louisiana 70631.

Sincerely,
/s/ Myles Hebert
Myles Hebert,
Coastal Zone Administrator
CAMERON PARISH
POLICE JURY
RUN: Aug. 10 (Au-25)

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Cingular Wireless, LLC has applied for a permit to install a cellular tower, access road, culvert, pilings, equipment platforms, and a fence for communications infrastructure improvements off La. Hwy 82 near Sabine Pass, Louisiana in Cameron Parish. The applicant is applying to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Environmental Services for a Water Quality Certification in accordance with statutory authority contained in the LAC 33:IX.1507.A-E and provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act.

Comments concerning this application can be filed with the Registrations and Certifications Section within ten days of this notice by referencing JP 060731-01/AI 141686 to the following address:

Louisiana Department of
Environment Quality
Registrations and
Certifications Section
P.O. Box 4313
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4313
Attn: Jamie Phillips
225-219-3469

A copy of the application is available for inspection and review at the LDEQ Public Records Center, on the first floor of the Galvez Building, Room 127 at 602 North Fifth Street Baton Rouge, LA 70802 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Run: Aug. 10 (Au 26)

SHERIFF'S SALE
THIRTY EIGHT JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT
PARISH OF CAMERON
STATE OF LOUISIANA
CITY SAVINGS BANK & TRUST
COMPANY VS. NO.
10-17296
NICHOLAS TRENT CONSOLE
AND MYRTIS CONSOLE

By virtue of a writ of EXECUTORY PROCESS issued to me directed by the Honorable Court aforesaid, I have seized and will offer for sale at public auction to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement, at the Court House door of this Parish of Cameron, on Wednesday, September 20, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. the following described property to-wit:

1. TRACT 1 AND TRACT 2 OF THE MRS EDNA D MARCANTEL PARTITION, OF A TRACT OF LAND SITUATED IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (NE/4 OF SW/4) OF SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH RANGE 8 WEST, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 5, PAGE 31, RECORDS OF CAMERON PARISH, LOUISIANA. TOGETHER WITH ANY AND ALL PRESENT FUTURE BUILDINGS, CONSTRUCTIONS COMPONENT PARTS, IMPROVEMENTS, ATTACHMENTS, APPURTENANCE, FIXTURES RIGHTS WAYS PRIVILEGES, ADVANTAGE, BATTURE, AND BATTURE RIGHTS, SERVITUDES AND EASEMENTS OF EVERY TYPE AND DESCRIPTION, NOW AND/OR IN THE FUTURE RELATING TO THE PROPERTY, AND ANY AND ALL ITEMS AND FIXTURES ATTACHED TO AND/OR FORMING INTEGRAL OR COMPONENT PARTS OF THE PROPERTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOUISIANA CIVIL CODE

2. 2001 GMC PICKUP BEARING VIN#2GTEC19T811361594.
seized under said writ.

TERMS: CASH DAY OF SALE.

/s/ Theos Duhon
Theos Duhon, Sheriff
CAMERON PARISH, LA.
Sheriff's Office, Cameron, La.
AUGUST 4, 2006
F. STEVE LANDRENEAU
Attorneys for CITY SAVINGS
BANK & TRUST
Run: Aug. 10 and Sept. 7 (Au 27)

NOTICE
Proposed Constitutional
Amendments to be voted on at
the Open Primary Election
September 30, 2006

CODING: Words in ~~struck through~~ type are deletions from existing law; words underscored (House Bills) and underscored and **boldfaced** (Senate Bills) are additions.

First Extraordinary Session, 2006

ACT No. 29

HOUSE BILL NO. 29
BY REPRESENTATIVE
LANCASTER AND
SENATOR DUPRE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 3 of Act No. 69 of the 2005 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature, relative to the proposed constitutional amendment to change the name of the Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Fund to the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund and to provide relative to such fund; to change the date on which the proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. Section 3 of Act No. 69 of the 2005 First Extraordinary Session of the
Legislature is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 3. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on ~~April 29, 2006, if provision is made by law for a statewide election to be held on that date; if no provision is made for such an election on April 29, 2006, then on the date of the next statewide election provided for by law~~ September 30, 2006.

Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

Approved by the Governor, February 23, 2006

A true copy:
Al Ater
Secretary of State

Proposed Amendment No. 1
First Extraordinary Session, 2005

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ACT No. 69

SENATE BILL NO. 27
(Duplicate of House Bill No. 139)
BY SENATOR DUPRE AND REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO AND COAUTHORED BY SENATORS ADLEY, AMEDEE, BAJOIE, BARHAM, BOASSO, BROOME, CAIN, CHAISSON, CHEEK, CRAVINS, DARDENNE, DUPLESSIS, ELLINGTON, FONTENOT, B. GAUTREAUX, N. GAUTREAUX, HEITMEIER, HINES, HOLLIS, JACKSON, JONES, LENTINI, MALONE, MARIONNEAUX, MCPHERSON, MICHOT, MOUNT, MURRAY, NEVERS, QUINN, ROMERO, SCHEDLER, SHEPHERD, SMITH, THEUNISSEN AND ULLO AND REPRESENTATIVES ARNOLD, BALDONE, BAUDOIN, BRUCE, BURRELL, K. CARTER, CAZAYOUX, CRANE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DANIEL, DARTEZ, DEWITT, DORSEY, DOVE, FANNIN, FARRAR, FAUCHEUX, FRITH, GRAY, HAMMETT, HARRIS, HEBERT, HILL, HONEY, HUTTER, JACKSON, JEFFERSON, LABRUZZO, LAFLEUR, LAFONTA, LAMBERT, LANCASTER, MCDONALD, ODINET, PIERRE, PITRE, M. POWELL, T. POWELL, QUEZAIRE, RICHMOND, RITCHIE, ROBIDEAUX, ROMERO, SALTER, SCALISE, SCHNEIDER, SMILEY, GARY SMITH, JACK SMITH, JANE SMITH, ST. GERMAIN, STRAIN, TOOMY, TOWNSEND, TRAHAN, TUCKER, WALKER, WHITE AND WOOTON

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Sections 10(D)(2)(e), 10.2, and 10.5(B) and (C) of the Constitution of Louisiana and to repeal Act No. 513 of the 2005 Regular Session, relative to the Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Fund; to change the name of the fund to the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund; to provide relative to deposits and uses of the fund; to provide relative to certain federal revenues received by the state generated from Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas activity; to provide for the depositing and crediting of such monies into the fund, and for the uses of such federal revenues; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the ~~electors;~~ and to provide for related matters.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to amend Article VII, Sections 10(D)(2)(e), 10.2, and 10.5(B) and (C) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

§10. Expenditure of State Funds

Section 10.

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(D) Appropriations.

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(2) Except as otherwise provided in this constitution, the appropriation or allocation of any money designated in the official forecast as nonrecurring shall be made only for the following purposes:

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(e) Providing for allocation or appropriation for deposit into the ~~Wetlands Conservation~~ Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund established in Article VII, Section 10.2 of this constitution.

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§10.2. ~~Wetlands Conservation and Restoration~~ **Coastal Protection and Restoration** Fund

Section 10.2(A) ~~Effective July 1, 1990, there~~ **There** shall be established in the state treasury the ~~Wetlands Conservation and Restoration~~ **Coastal Protection and Restoration** Fund to provide a dedicated, recurring source of revenues for the development and implementation of a program to ~~conserve and restore Louisiana's vegetated wetlands.~~ **protect and restore Louisiana's coastal area.**

Of revenues received in each fiscal year by the state as a result of the production of or exploration for minerals, hereinafter referred to as mineral revenues from severance taxes, royalty payments, bonus payments, or rentals, and excluding such revenues received by the state as a result of grants or donations when the terms or conditions thereof require otherwise, the treasurer shall make the following allocations:

(1) To the Bond Security and Redemption Fund as provided in Article VII, Section 9(B) of this constitution.

(2) To the political subdivisions of the state as provided in Article VII, Sections 4(D) and (E) of this constitution.

(3) As provided by the requirements of Article VII, Sections 10-A and 10.1 of this constitution.

(B)(1) After making the allocations provided for in Paragraph (A), the treasurer shall then deposit in and credit to the ~~Wetlands Conservation and Restoration~~ **Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund** any amount of mineral revenues that may be necessary to insure that a total of five million dollars is deposited into such fund for the fiscal year from this source; provided that the balance of the fund which consists of mineral revenues from severance taxes, royalty payments, bonus payments, or rentals shall not exceed an amount provided by law, but in no event shall the amount provided by law be less than five hundred million dollars.

(2) After making the allocations and deposits provided for in Paragraphs (A) and (B)(1) of this Section, the treasurer shall deposit in and credit to the ~~Wetlands Conservation and Restoration~~ **Coastal Protection and Restoration** Fund as follows:

(a) Ten million dollars of the mineral revenues in excess of six hundred million dollars which remain after the allocations provided for in Paragraph (A) are made by the treasurer.

(b) Ten million dollars of the mineral revenues in excess of six hundred fifty million dollars which remain after the allocations provided in Paragraph (A) are made by the treasurer.

However, the balance of the fund which consists of mineral revenues from severance taxes, royalty payments, bonus payments, or rentals shall not exceed an amount provided by law, but in no event shall the amount provided by law be less than five hundred million dollars.

(C) The money in the fund shall be invested as provided by law and any earnings realized on investment of money in the fund shall be deposited in and credited to the fund. Money from other sources, such as donations, appropriations, or dedications, may be deposited in and credited to the fund; however, the balance of the fund which consists of mineral revenues from severance taxes, royalty payments, bonus payments, or rentals shall not exceed an amount provided by law, but in no event shall the amount provided by law be less than five hundred million dollars. Any unexpended money remaining in the fund at the end of the fiscal year shall be ~~retained~~ in the fund.

(D) The money in the fund may be appropriated for purposes consistent with the ~~Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Plan developed by the Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Authority~~ **Coastal Protection Plan developed by the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority**, or its successor.

No appropriation shall be made from the fund inconsistent with the purposes of the plan.

(E)(1) Subject to Article VII, Sections 9(B) and 10.1 of this constitution, in each fiscal year, the federal revenues that are received by the state generated from Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas activity and eligible, as provided by federal law, to be used for the purposes of this Paragraph shall be deposited and credited by the treasurer to the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund.

(2) Federal revenues credited to the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund pursuant to this Paragraph shall be used only for the purposes of coastal protection, including conservation, coastal restoration, hurricane protection, and infrastructure directly impacted by coastal wetland losses.

(3) The fund balance limitations provided for in Paragraph (B) of this Section relative to the mineral revenues deposited to this fund shall not apply to revenues deposited pursuant to the provisions of this Paragraph.

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§10.5. Mineral Revenue Audit and Settlement Fund

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(B) After making the allocations provided for in Paragraph (A), the ~~treasurer~~ shall then deposit in and credit to the Mineral Revenue Audit and Settlement Fund any such remaining revenues. Any revenues deposited in and credited to the fund shall be considered mineral revenues from severance taxes, royalty payments, bonus payments, or rentals for purposes of determining deposits and credits to be made in and to the ~~Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Fund~~ **Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund** as provided in Article VII, Section 10.2 of this constitution. Any revenues deposited in and credited to t~~he fund~~ shall not be considered mineral revenues for purposes of the Budget Stabilization Fund as provided in Article VII, Section 10.3 of this constitution. Money in the fund shall be invested as provided by law. The earnings realized in each fiscal year on the investment of monies in the Mineral Revenue Audit and Settlement Fund shall be deposited in and credited to the Mineral Revenue Audit and Settlement Fund.

(C) After making the allocations provided for in Paragraph (A), the treasurer shall credit thirty-five million dollars to the ~~Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Fund~~ **Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund**, and thereafter any monies credited to the fund in any fiscal year may be annually appropriated by the legislature only for the purposes of retirement in advance of maturity through redemption, purchase, or repayment of debt of the state, pursuant to a plan proposed by the State Bond Commission to maximize the savings to the state; for payments against the unfunded accrued liability of the public retirement systems which are in addition to any payments required for the annual amortization of the unfunded accrued liability of the public retirement systems, required by Article X, Section 29 of this constitution; however, any such payment to the public retirement systems shall not be used, directly or indirectly, to fund cost-of-living increases for such systems; and for deposit in the ~~Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Fund~~ **Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund.**

Section 2. Be it further resolved that Act No. 513 of the 2005 Regular Session is hereby repealed, the amendment to the constitution proposed in such Act is hereby withdrawn, and the secretary of state is hereby ordered not to include the proposition contained in that Act on the ballot on November 7, 2006.

Section 3. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on April 29, 2006, if provision is made by law for a statewide election to be held on that date; if no provision is made for such an election on April 29, 2006, then on the date of the next statewide election provided for by law.

Section 4. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted to vote FOR or AGAINST, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as follows:

To change the name from the Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Fund to the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund; to provide that the eligible federal revenues received by the state generated from Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas activity shall be credited to the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund and used only for purposes of coastal wetlands conservation, coastal restoration, hurricane protection, and infrastructure directly impacted by coastal wetland losses. (Amends Article VII, Sections 10(D)(2)(e), 10.2, and 10.5(B) and (C))

A true copy:
Al Ater
Secretary of State

Proposed Amendment No. 2
Regular Session, 2006

ACT No. 854

SENATE BILL NO. 229
BY SENATORS DARDENNE, BAJOIE AND DUPRE AND REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to add Article VII, Section 10.2(F) and to repeal Article VII, Section 10.11 of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to coastal protection and restoration; to provide for the deposit of a portion of the proceeds of any tobacco securitization into the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund; to repeal the Louisiana Coastal Restoration Fund; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to add Article VII, Section 10.2(F) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

§10.2. Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund

Section 10.2.

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(F)(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of Article VII, Section 10, Article VII, Section 10.3, Article VII, Section 10.8, or any other provision of this constitution to the contrary, if, after July 1, 2006, the state securitizes any portion of the revenues ~~received~~ from the Master Settlement Agreement executed November 23, 1998, and approved by Consent Decree and Final Judgment entered in the case "Richard P. Ieyoub, Attorney General, ex rel. State of Louisiana v. Philip Morris, Incorporated, et al.," bearing Number 98-6473 on the docket of the Fourteenth Judicial District for the parish of Calcasieu, state of Louisiana, the treasurer shall transfer to the fund established in Paragraph A of this Section twenty percent in the aggregate of the revenues received as a result of the securitization occurring after July 1, 2006.

(2) The legislature may appropriate up to twenty percent of the funds deposited into the fund pursuant to Subparagraph (1) of this Paragraph to the Barrier Island Stabilization and Preservation Fund to be used for purposes of the Louisiana Coastal Wetlands Conservation and Restoration-Program.

(3) The fund balance limitations provided for in Paragraph (B) of this Section relative to the mineral revenues deposited to this fund shall not apply to revenues deposited pursuant to the provisions of this Paragraph.

Section 2. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to repeal Article VII, Section 10.11 of the Constitution of Louisiana.

Section 3. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on September 30,
2006.

Section 4. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted to vote FOR or AGAINST, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as follows:

Requires twenty percent of the proceeds of tobacco securitization to be deposited in the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund, with a portion to be used for barrier island stabilization and preservation, and repeals the Louisiana Coastal Restoration Fund. (Adds Article VII, Section 10.2(F); Repeals Article VII, Section 10.11)

A true copy:
Al Ater
Secretary of State

Proposed Amendment No. 3
First Extraordinary Session, 2006

ACT No. 43

SENATE BILL NO. 9
BY SENATORS BOASSO, MOUNT, ADLEY, AMEDEE, BAJOIE, BARHAM, BROOME, CAIN, CHAISSON, CHEEK, DARDENNE, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ELLINGTON, FONTENOT, B. GAUTREAUX, N. GAUTREAUX, HINES, HOLLIS, JACKSON, KOSTELKA, LENTINI, MALONE, MARIONNEAUX, MCPHERSON, MICHOT, MURRAY, NEVERS, QUINN, ROMERO, SCHEDLER, SHEPHERD, SMITH, THEUNISSEN AND ULLO AND REPRESENTATIVES K. CARTER, DORSEY, SALTER, JEFFERSON, ALEXANDER, ANSARDI, ARNOLD, BADON, BALDONE, BAUDOIN,BAYLOR, BEARD, BOWLER, BRUCE, BRUNEAU, BURNS, BURRELL, CAZAYOUX, CRANE, CRAVINS, CROWE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DANIEL, DOERGE, DOVE, DOWNS, DURAND, ERDEY, FANNIN, FAUCHEUX, FRITH, GALLOT, GLOVER, GRAY, GREENE, E. GUILLORY, M. GUILLORY, HILL, HONEY, HOPKINS, JACKSON, KATZ, KENNARD, KENNEY, LAFLEUR, LAMBERT, LANCASTER, MARTINY, MCDONALD, MCVEA, MONTGOMERY, MORRELL, MORRISH, PIERRE, PITRE, M. POWELL, T. POWELL, QUEZAIRE, RICHMOND, RITCHIE, SCALISE, SCHNEIDER, SMILEY, GARY SMITH, JACK SMITH, JANE SMITH, JOHN SMITH, ST. GERMAIN, STRAIN, THOMPSON, TOOMY, TRAHAN, TRICHE, TUCKER, WADDELL, WALSWORTH, WHITE AND WINSTON

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Section 38(A)(1) and Section 39 and to add Section 38.1 of Article VI of the Constitution of Louisiana and to redesignate the title to Part III of said Article, relative to flood protection; to provide for the establishment of regional flood protection authorities and its governing authority, powers, duties, functions; to provide for the governing authority of levee districts within the territorial jurisdiction of a regional flood protection authority; to provide for taxing authority; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to amend Section 38(A)(1) and Section 39 and to add Section 38.1 of Article VI of the Constitution of
Louisiana and to redesignate the title to Part III of said Article, to read as follows:

PART III. LEVEE DISTRICTS
AND REGIONAL FLOOD PROTECTION AUTHORITIES

§38. Levee Districts

Section 38.(A) Retention; Reorganization; Consolidation. Levee districts as organized and constituted on January 1, 1974 shall continue to exist, except that

(1) The legislature may provide by law for the consolidation, division, or reorganization of existing levee districts or, may create new levee districts, **or may establish regional flood protection authorities as authorized by Section 38.1 of this Part.** However, **except for the board of commissioners of a regional flood protection authority** the members of the board of commissioners of a district heretofore or hereafter created shall be appointed or elected from among residents of the district, as provided by law.

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§38.1. Regional Flood Protection Authorities

Section 38.1.(A) Establishment. (1) The legislature by law may establish regional flood protection authorities, with territorial jurisdiction limited to parishes and levee districts which are situated entirely or partially within the coastal zone as described in R.S. 49:214.24 as of the effective date of this Section, and provide for their territorial jurisdiction, governing authority, powers, duties, and functions for the purpose of constructing and maintaining levees, levee drainage, flood protection, and hurricane flood protection within the territorial jurisdiction of the authority, and for all other purposes incidental thereto. Each authority shall be governed by a board of commissioners which shall also be the governing authority of each levee district within the territorial jurisdiction of the authority.

(2) The legislature, by law, may include within territorial jurisdiction of the regional flood protection authority one or more parishes or portions of parishes which are included in one or more levee districts that are not included within territorial jurisdiction of the authority. The inclusion of such parishes or portions of parishes shall not affect the authority of the respective levee district (a) to levy taxes in such areas nor prohibit the levy of taxes provided for in this
Section in such areas, (b) to employ and provide for its employees, or (c) to own, construct, and maintain its property.

(B) Authority-wide Tax. In addition to the taxes authorized to be levied by any levee district situated within the territorial jurisdiction of a regional flood protection authority, the board of commissioners of the authority may levy annually a tax on the dollar of the assessed valuation of all property not exempt from taxation situated within the territorial jurisdiction of the authority. The necessity and the levy and rate of the tax, or any increase thereof, shall be subject to the provisions of Article VII, Section 20 of this Constitution and shall be subject to the provisions of Article VII, Section 21(F) of this Constitution and shall be submitted to the electors within the authority, and the tax or increase shall take effect only if approved by:

(1) A majority of the electors voting thereon within that authority, and

(2) Each of the parishes in that authority, by a majority of the electors voting thereon in each parish, in an election held for that purpose.

(C) Notwithstanding the provisions of Article VII, Section 10.2(D) of this Constitution, the legislature may appropriate up to five hundred thousand dollars annually to regional flood protection authorities from the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund.

(D) Obligation of Contract Affirmed. No action taken under this Section shall impair the obligation of outstanding bonded indebtedness or of any other contract of a levee district.

(E) The phrase "levee district" when used in Sections 40 and 41 of this Part and in Articles VII and IX of this Constitution shall include regional flood protection authorities.

§39. Levee District Taxes

Section 39.(A) District Tax; Millage Limit. For the purpose of constructing and maintaining levees, levee drainage, flood protection, hurricane flood protection, and for all other purposes incidental thereto, the governing authority of a levee district **created prior to January 1, 2006,** may levy annually a tax not to exceed five mills, except the Board of Levee Commissioners of the Orleans Levee District
which may levy annually a tax not to exceed two and one-half mills on the dollar of the assessed valuation of all taxable property situated within the alluvial portions of the district subject to overflow.

(B) Millage Increase. If the necessity to raise additional funds arises in any levee district **created prior to January 1, 2006,** for any purpose set forth in Paragraph **(A) of this Section,** or for any other purpose related to its authorized powers and functions as specified by law, the tax may be increased. However, the necessity and the rate of the increase shall be submitted to the electors of the district, and the tax increase shall take effect only if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon in an election held for that purpose.

(C) Districts Created After January 1, 2006. For any purpose set forth in Paragraph (A) of this Section, the governing authority of a levee district created after January 1, 2006, may annually levy a tax on all property not exempt from taxation situated within the alluvial portions of the district subject to overflow. However, such a district shall not levy such a tax nor increase the rate of such a tax unless the levy or the increase is approved by a majority of the electors of the district who vote in an election held for that purpose. If the district is comprised of territory in more than one parish, approval by a majority of the electors who vote in each parish comprising the district is also required for any such levy or increase.

Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on September 30,
2006.

Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted to vote FOR or AGAINST, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as follows:

To authorize the legislature to establish regional flood protection authorities and provide for its governing authority, powers, duties, and functions, for the governing authority of levee districts within the territorial jurisdiction of the regional authority, and authorizing ad valorem taxes subject to voter approval. (Amends Article VI, Sections 38(A)(1) and 39 and adds Article VI, Section 38.1)

A true copy:
Al Ater
Secretary of State

Proposed Amendment No. 4
Regular Session, 2006

ACT No. 853

SENATE BILL NO. 27
(Duplicate of House Bill No. 450)
BY SENATOR DUPRE AND REPRESENTATIVE PITRE

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VI, Section 42(A) and to add Article I, Section 4(G) of the Constitution of Louisiana; to provide relative to the taking of property; to provide relative to the compensation paid for certain takings of property; to provide that compensation paid for the taking of, or loss or damage to, property rights affected by certain flood control projects shall be governed by the Fifth Amendment of the United States Constitution; to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition; and to provide for related matters.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to add Article I, Section 4(G) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

ARTICLE I. DECLARATION OF RIGHTS

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§4. Right to Property

Section 4.

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(G) Compensation paid for the taking of, or loss or damage to, property rights for the construction, enlargement, improvement, or modification of federal or non-federal hurricane protection projects, including mitigation related thereto, shall not exceed the compensation required by the Fifth Amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America. However, this Paragraph shall not apply to compensation paid for a building or structure that was destroyed or damaged by an event for which a presidential declaration of major disaster or emergency was issued, if the taking occurs within three years of such event. The legislature by law may provide procedures and definitions for the provisions of this Paragraph.

Section 2. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to amend Article VI, Section 42(A) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

ARTICLE VI. LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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PART III. LEVEE DISTRICTS

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§42. ~~Compensa~~tion for Property Used or Destroyed; Tax

Section 42.(A) Compensation. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of this constitution, lands and improvements thereon hereafter actually used or destroyed for levees or levee drainage purposes shall be paid for as provided by law. **With respect to lands and improvements actually used or destroyed in the construction, enlargement, improvement, or modification of federal or non-federal hurricane protection projects, including mitigation related thereto, such payment shall not exceed the amount of compensation authorized under Article I, Section 4(G) of this constitution.** However, nothing contained in this Paragraph with respect to compensation for lands and improvements shall apply to batture or to property the control of which is vested in the state or any political subdivision for the purpose of commerce. If the district has no other funds or resources from which the payment can be made, it shall levy on all taxable property within the district a tax
sufficient to pay for property used or destroyed to be used solely in the district where collected.

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Section 3. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on September 30, 2006.

Section 4. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted to vote FOR or AGAINST, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as follows:

To provide that compensation paid for the taking of, or loss or damage to, property rights affected by the construction, enlargement, improvement, or modification of hurricane protection projects, including mitigation related thereto, shall be limited to the compensation required by the Fifth Amendment of the United States Constitution; to provide an exception for the taking of buildings or structures destroyed or damaged by an event for which a presidential declaration of major disaster or emergency was issued, if the taking occurs within three years of such event; and to authorize the legislature by law to provide procedures and definitions for these requirements. (Amends Article VI, Section 42(A); Adds Article I, Section 4(G))

A true copy:
Al Ater
Secretary of State

Proposed Amendment No. 5
Regular Session, 2006

Act No. 851

SENATE BILL NO. 1
BY SENATOR MCPHERSON AND REPRESENTATIVE BRUNEAU AND SENATORS ADLEY, AMEDEE, BARHAM, CAIN, CRAVINS, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, ELLINGTON, HINES, HOLLIS, LENTINI, MOUNT, MURRAY, NEVERS, SCHEDLER, SMITH, N. GAUTREAUX AND MARIONNEAUX AND REPRESENTATIVES STRAIN, SCHNEIDER, R. CARTER, CRAVINS, MONTGOMERY, TOWNSEND, HUNTER, ALARIO, ALEXANDER, BALDONE, BAUDOIN, BOWLER, BURNS, CAZAYOUX, CROWE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DARTEZ, DOERGE, DOWNS, DURAND, FANNIN, FARRAR, FRITH, GREENE, E. GUILLORY, HILL, JEFFERSON, JOHNS, KLECKLEY, LAFONTA, LANCASTER, MCDONALD, MCVEA, T. POWELL, RITCHIE, ROMERO, WALSWORTH, BADON, BAYLOR, BEARD, BURRELL, CHANDLER, CRANE, DEWITT, DORSEY, ERDEY, FAUCHEUX, GLOVER, HARRIS, HEATON, HEBERT, HOPKINS, JACKSON, KATZ, KENNEY, LABRUZZO, MARCHAND, MORRELL, MORRISH, ODINET, PIERRE, PINAC, PITRE, M. POWELL, ROBIDEAUX, SCALISE, GARY SMITH, JACK SMITH, JANE SMITH, THOMPSON, TRAHAN, TRICHE, TUCKER, WADDELL, WHITE AND WINSTON

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article I, Section 4(B) and Article VI, Section 21(A) and to add Article VI, Section 21(D) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the expropriation of property; to prohibit the expropriation of property by the state or a political subdivision of the state for the predominant use by or transfer to any private person or entity under certain circumstances; to provide for the definition of "public purposes"; to provide for items included in just compensation to be paid to the owner of expropriated property; to provide exceptions for the operation of public ports; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide

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a ballot proposition.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to amend Section 4(B) of Article I and Section 21(A) of Article VI and to add Section 21(D) of Article VI of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

§4. Right to Property

Section 4. * * *

(B) **(1)** Property shall not be taken or damaged by the state or its political subdivisions except for public purposes and with just compensation paid to the owner or into court for his benefit. **Except as specifically authorized by Article VI, Section 21 of this Constitution property shall not be taken or damaged by the state or its political subdivisions: (a) for predominant use by any private person or entity; or (b) for transfer of ownership to any private person or entity.**

(2) As used in Subparagraph (1) of this Paragraph and in Article VI, Section 23 of this Constitution, "public purpose" shall be limited to the following:

(a) A general public right to a definite use of the property.

(b) Continuous public ownership of property dedicated to one or more of the following objectives and uses:

(i) Public buildings in which publicly funded services are administered, rendered, or provided.

(ii) Roads, bridges, waterways, access to public waters and lands, and other public transportation, access, and navigational systems available to the general public.

(iii) Drainage, flood control, levees, coastal and navigational protection and reclamation for the benefit of the public generally.

(iv) Parks, convention centers, museums, historical buildings and recreational facilities generally open to the public.

(v) Public utilities for the benefit of the public generally.

(vi) Public ports and public airports to facilitate the transport of goods or persons in domestic or international commerce.

(c) The removal of a threat to public health or safety caused by the existing use or disuse of the property.

(3) Neither economic development, enhancement of tax revenue, or any incidental benefit to the public shall be considered in determining whether the taking or damaging of property is for a public purpose pursuant to Subparagraph (1) of this Paragraph or Article VI, Section 23 of this Constitution.

(4) Property shall not be taken or damaged by any private entity authorized by law to expropriate, except for a public and necessary purpose and with just compensation paid to the owner; in such proceedings, whether the purpose is public and necessary shall be a judicial question.

(5) In every expropriation **or action to take property pursuant to the provisions of this Section**, a party has the right to trial by jury to determine **whether the** compensation **is just,** and the owner shall be compensated to the full extent of his loss. **Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution, the full extent of loss shall include, but not be limited to, the appraised value of the property and all costs of relocation, inconvenience, and any other damages actually incurred by the owner because of the expropriation.**

(6) No business enterprise or any of its assets shall be taken for the purpose of operating that enterprise or halting competition with a government enterprise. However, a municipality may expropriate a utility within its jurisdiction.

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ARTICLE VI. LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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§21. Assistance to Local Industry

Section 21.(A) Authorization. In order to (1) induce and encourage the location of or addition to industrial enterprises therein which would have economic impact upon the area and thereby the state, (2) provide for the establishment and furnishing of such industrial plant, **(3) facilitate the operation of public ports**, or ~~(3)~~ **(4)** provide movable or immovable property, or both, for pollution control facilities, the legislature by law may authorize, subject to restrictions it may impose, any political subdivision, ~~deep-water~~ **public** port commission, or ~~deep-water~~ **public** port, harbor, and terminal district to:

(a) issue bonds, subject to approval by the State Bond Commission or its successor, and use the funds derived from the sale of the bonds to acquire and improve industrial plant sites and other property necessary to the purposes thereof;

(b) acquire, through purchase, donation, exchange, and ~~(subject to Article I, Section 4)~~ expropriation, and improve industrial plant buildings and industrial plant equipment, machinery, furnishings, and appurtenances, **including public port facilities and operations which relate to or facilitate the transportation of goods in domestic and international commerce;** and

(c) sell, lease, lease-purchase, or demolish all or any part of the foregoing.

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(D) Property excepted. The bona fide homestead, as defined by Article VII, Section 20(A)(1), shall not be subject to expropriation pursuant to this Section.

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Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on September 30, 2006.

Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted to vote FOR or AGAINST, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as follows:

To prohibit the expropriation of property by the state or a political subdivision of the state for predominant use by or transfer to a private person or entity under certain circumstances; to define "public purposes" relative to the expropriation of property; to provide exceptions for the operation of public ports and airports and for the expropriation of property for industrial development purposes; and to provide for items included in just compensation to be paid to the owner of the expropriated property. (Amends Article I, Section 4(B) and Article VI, Section 21(A); Adds Article VI, Section 21(D))

A true copy:
Al Ater
Secretary of State

Proposed Amendment No. 6
Regular Session, 2006

ACT No. 859

HOUSE BILL NO. 707
BY REPRESENTATIVES FARRAR, RICHMOND, AND STRAIN
A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to add Article I, Section 4(G) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to prohibit, except in limited instances, the transfer or lease of property expropriated by the state or its political subdivisions to any person without first offering the property to the original owner; to provide that unused expropriated property be declared surplus property to be first offered to the original owner prior to sale to the general public by competitive bid; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to add Article I, Section 4(G) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

§4. Right to Property

Section 4.

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(G)(1) Except for leases or operation agreements for port facilities, highways, qualified transportation facilities or airports, the state or its political subdivisions shall not sell or lease property which has been expropriated and held for not more than thirty years without first offering the property to the original owner or his heir, or, if there is no heir, to the successor in title to the owner at the time of expropriation at the current fair market value, after which the property can only be transferred by competitive bid open to the general public. After thirty years have passed from the date the property was expropriated, the state or political subdivision may sell or otherwise transfer the property as provided by law.

(2) Within one year after the completion of the project for which the property was expropriated, the state or its political subdivision which expropriated the property shall identify all property which is not necessary for the public purpose of the project and declare the property as surplus property.

(3) All expropriated property identified as surplus property shall be offered for sale to the original owner or his heir, or, if there is no heir, to the successor in title to the owner at the time of expropriation at the current fair market value, within two years after completion of the project. If the original owner, heir, or other successor in title refuses or fails to purchase the surplus property within three years from completion of the project, then the surplus property may be offered for sale to the general public by competitive bid.

(4) After one year from the completion of the project for which property was expropriated, the original owner or his heir, or, if there is no heir, the successor in title to the owner at the time of expropriation may petition the state or its political subdivision which expropriated the property to have all or any portion of his property declared surplus. If the state or its political subdivision refuses or fails to identify all or any portion of the expropriated property as surplus, the original owner or the successor in title may petition any court of competent jurisdiction to have the property declared surplus.

Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on September 30, 2006.

Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted to vote FOR or AGAINST, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as follows:

To prohibit, except in limited instances, the transfer or lease of property expropriated by the state or its political subdivisions to any person without first offering the property to the original owner; to provide that unused expropriated property be declared surplus property to be first offered to the original owner prior to sale to the general public by competitive bid. (Adds Article I, Section 4(G))

A true copy:
Al Ater
Secretary of State

Proposed Amendment No. 7
Regular Session, 2006

ACT No. 857

HOUSE BILL NO. 406
BY REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL
A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 14(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to authorize the investment of a portion of the Medicaid Trust Fund for the Elderly in equities; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to amend Article VII, Section 14(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

§14. Donation, Loan, or Pledge of Public Credit

Section 14.

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(B) Authorized Uses. Nothing in this Section shall prevent (1) the use of public funds for programs of social welfare for the aid and support of the needy; (2) contributions of public funds to pension and insurance programs for the benefit of public employees; (3) the pledge of public funds, credit, property, or things of value for public purposes with respect to the issuance of bonds or other evidences of indebtedness to meet public obligations as provided by law; (4) the return of property, including mineral rights, to a former owner from whom the property had previously been expropriated, or purchased under threat of expropriation, when the legislature by law declares that the public and necessary purpose which originally supported the expropriation has ceased to exist and orders the return of the property to the former owner under such terms and conditions as specified by the legislature; (5) acquisition of stock by any institution of higher education in exchange for any intellectual property; (6) the donation of abandoned or blighted housing property by the governing authority of a municipality or a parish to a nonprofit organization which is recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) nonprofit organization and which agrees to renovate and maintain such property until conveyance of the property by such organization; (7) the deduction of any tax, interest, penalty, or other charges forming the basis of tax liens on blighted property so that they may be subordinated and waived in favor of any purchaser who is not a member of the immediate family of the blighted property owner or which is not any entity in which the owner has a substantial economic interest, but only in connection with a property renovation plan approved by an administrative hearing officer appointed by the parish or municipal government where the property is located; (8) the deduction of past due taxes, interest, and penalties in favor of an owner of a blighted property, but only when the owner sells the property at less than the appraised value to facilitate the blighted property renovation plan approved by the parish or municipal government and only after the renovation is completed such deduction being canceled, null and void, and to no effect in the event ownership of the property in the future reverts back to the owner or any member of his immediate family; (9) the donation by the state of asphalt which has been removed from state roads and highways to the governing authority of the parish or municipality where the asphalt was removed, or if not needed by such governing authority, then to any other parish or municipal governing authority, but only pursuant to a cooperative endeavor agreement between the state and the governing authority receiving the donated property; or (10) the investment in stocks of a portion of the Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge Trust and Protection Fund, created under the provisions of R.S. 56:797, and the Russell Sage or Marsh Island Refuge Fund, created under the provisions of R.S. 56:798, such portion not to exceed thirty-five percent of each fund; or (11) the investment in equities of a portion of the Medicaid Trust Fund for the Elderly created under the provisions of R.S. 46:2691 et seq., such portion not to exceed thirty-five percent of the fund.

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Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on September 30, 2006.

Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted to vote FOR or AGAINST, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as follows:

To authorize the investment in equities of up to thirty-five percent of the Medicaid Trust Fund for the Elderly. (Amends Article VII, Section 14(B))

A true copy:
Al Ater
Secretary of State

First Extraordinary Session, 2006

ACT No. 27

HOUSE BILL NO. 27
BY REPRESENTATIVE LANCASTER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 2 of Act No. 70 of the 2005 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature and to direct the Louisiana Tax Commission to take certain actions to protect taxpayers and assessors until such Act is voted on, relative to the proposed constitutional amendment to provide for the continuation of the homestead exemption and special assessment level under certain specified circumstances; to change the date on which the proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. Section 2 of Act No. 70 of the 2005 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on ~~April 29, 2006~~ September 30, 2006.

Section 2. A. It is the intention of the Legislature by enacting Act No. 70 of the 2005 First Extraordinary Session of the Legislature that taxpayers whose homes were lost or destroyed in the recent hurricanes should not have to suffer the levy of ad valorem property tax or the loss of their special assessment level because of their temporary inability to occupy their homes. Because of the unavoidable delay until September of submission to voters of Act No. 70 as provided for in this Act, there is a possibility that some taxpayers may be assessed tax without the benefit of those two exemptions.

B. Therefore, the Legislature of Louisiana hereby directs the Louisiana Tax Commission to provide for the following:

(1) The continuation of the Homestead Exemption and the Special Assessment Level for taxpayers who may not be able to occupy their homes because they were damaged or destroyed during the disaster or emergency declared by the governor because of the hurricanes until such time as the constitutional amendment proposed in Act No. 70 becomes effective. If Act No. 70 is not approved by the electorate, the authorization provided in this Subparagraph shall cease.

(2) A procedure for and requirement for the keeping of such records by assessors in the event Act No. 70 is not approved by the voters.

(3) Such procedures to ensure, insofar as it is possible, that no more than one homestead exemption or special assessment level extend or apply to any person in this state.

Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

Approved by the Governor, February 23, 2006

A true copy:
Al Ater
Secretary of State

Proposed Amendment No. 8
First Extraordinary Session, 2005

ACT No. 70

HOUSE BILL NO. 34
BY REPRESENTATIVES ALARIO, HAMMETT, ODINET, BALDONE, CURTIS, FAUCHEUX, HEATON, HILL, HONEY, KENNEY, AND TOWNSEND
A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to add Article VII, Sections 18(G)(5) and 20(A)(10) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the homestead exemption and special assessment level where the homestead has been destroyed or is uninhabitable due to a disaster or emergency; to provide for claiming and keeping the homestead exemption and special assessment levels; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to add Article VII, Sections 18(G)(5) and 20(A)(10) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

§18. Ad Valorem Taxes

Section 18.

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(G) Special Assessment Level.

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(5) Any owner entitled to the special assessment level set forth in this Paragraph who is unable to occupy the homestead on or before December thirty-first of a future calendar year due to damage or destruction of the homestead caused by a disaster or emergency declared by the governor shall be entitled to keep the special assessment level of the homestead prior to its damage or destruction on the repaired or rebuilt homestead provided the repaired or rebuilt homestead is reoccupied by the owner within five years from December thirty-first of the year following the disaster. The assessed value of the land and buildings on which the homestead was located prior to its damage shall not be increased above its assessed value immediately prior to the damage or destruction described in this Subparagraph. If the property owner receives a homestead exemption on another homestead during the same five-year period, the damaged or destroyed property shall not be entitled to keep the special assessment level, and the land and buildings shall be assessed in that year at the percentage of fair market value set forth in this constitution. In addition, the owner must also maintain the homestead exemption set forth in Article VII, Section 20(A)(10) to qualify for the special assessment level in this Subparagraph.

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§20. Homestead Exemption

Section 20.(A) Homeowners.

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(10) Any homestead receiving the homestead exemption that is damaged or destroyed during a disaster or emergency declared by the governor whose owner is unable to occupy the homestead on or before December thirty-first of a calendar year due to such damage or destruction shall be entitled to claim and keep the exemption by filing an annual affidavit of intent to return and reoccupy the homestead within five years from December thirty-first of the year following the disaster with the assessor within the parish or district where such homestead is situated prior to December thirty-first of the year in which the exemption is claimed. In no event shall more than one homestead exemption extend or apply to any person in this state.

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Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on April 29, 2006.

Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted to vote FOR or AGAINST, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as follows:

To authorize the continuation of the homestead exemption and the special assessment level where the homestead has been destroyed or is uninhabitable due to a declared disaster or emergency. (Adds Article VII, Sections 18(G)(5) and 20(A)(10))

A true copy:
Al Ater
Secretary of State

Proposed Amendment No. 9
Regular Session, 2006

ACT No. 855

SENATE BILL NO. 296
BY SENATORS QUINN AND HINES AND REPRESENTATIVE TOOMY
A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VI, Section 14 of the Constitution of Louisiana, to provide that no law, unless enacted by two-thirds of the elected members of each house of the legislature, requiring increased expenditures for any purpose shall be applicable to a city, parish, or other local public school board except under certain circumstances; to provide for exceptions to such prohibition; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to amend Article VI, Section 14 of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

§14. Increasing Financial Burden of Political Subdivisions

Section 14.(A)**(1)** No law or state executive order, rule, or regulation requiring increased expenditures for any purpose shall become effective within a political subdivision until approved by ordinance enacted, or resolution adopted, by the governing authority of the affected political subdivision or until, and only as long as, the legislature appropriates funds for the purpose to the affected political subdivision and only to the extent and amount that such funds are provided, or until a law provides for a local source of revenue within the political subdivision for the purpose and the affected political subdivision is authorized by ordinance or resolution to levy and collect such revenue and only to the extent and amount of such revenue. This ~~Section~~ **Paragraph** shall not apply to a school board.

~~(B)~~**(2)** This ~~Section~~ **Paragraph** shall not apply to:

~~(1)~~**(a)** A law requested by the governing authority of the affected political subdivision.

~~(2)~~**(b)** A law defining a new crime or amending an existing crime.

~~(3)~~**(c)** A law enacted and effective prior to the adoption of the amendment of this Section by the electors of the state in 1991.

~~(4)~~**(d)** A law enacted, or state executive order, rule, or regulation promulgated, to comply with a federal mandate.

~~(5)~~**(e)** A law providing for civil service, minimum wages, hours, working conditions, and pension and retirement benefits, or vacation or sick leave benefits for firemen and municipal policemen.

~~(6)~~**(f)** Any instrument adopted or enacted by two-thirds of the elected members of each house of the legislature and any rule or regulation adopted to implement such instrument or adopted pursuant thereto.

~~(7)~~**(g)** A law having insignificant fiscal impact on the affected political subdivision.

(B)**(1) No law requiring increased expenditures within a city, parish, or other local public school system for any purpose shall become effective within such school system only as long as the legislature appropriates funds for the purpose to the affected school system and only to the extent and amount that such funds are provided, or until a law provides for a local source of revenue within the school system for the purpose and the affected school board is authorized by ordinance or resolution to levy and collect such revenue and only to the extent and amount of such revenue. This Paragraph shall not apply to any political subdivision to which Paragraph (A) of this Section applies.**

(2) This Paragraph shall not apply to:

(a) A law requested by the school board of the affected school system.

(b) A law defining a new crime or amending an existing crime.

(c) A law enacted and effective prior to the adoption of the amendment of this Section by the electors of the state in 2006.

(d) A law enacted to comply with a federal mandate.

(e) Any instrument adopted or enacted by two-thirds of the elected members of each house of the legislature.

(f) A law having insignificant fiscal impact on the affected school system.

(g) The formula for the Minimum Foundation Program of education as required by Article VIII, Section 13(B) of this constitution, nor to any instrument adopted or enacted by the legislature approving such formula.

(h) Any law relative to the implementation of the state school and district accountability system.

Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on September 30, 2006.

Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted to vote FOR or AGAINST, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as follows:

To provide that no law, unless enacted by two-thirds of the elected members of each house of the legislature, requiring increased expenditures for any purpose shall be applicable to any city, parish, or other local public school board until approved by school board resolution or until, and as long as, the legislature appropriates funds to the school board for the purpose and only to the extent and amount of such funds or until a law provides for a local source of revenue to the school board for the purpose and the school board is authorized to levy and collect such revenue and only to the extent and amount of such revenue; and to provide for exceptions to such prohibition on increasing the financial burden of city, parish, and other local public school boards. (Amends Article VI, Section 14)

A true copy:
Al Ater
Secretary of State

Proposed Amendment No. 10
Regular Session, 2006

ACT No. 856

HOUSE BILL NO. 345
BY REPRESENTATIVE CAZAYOUX
A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 14(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to authorize the investment in stocks of certain endowed funds of institutions of higher education; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to amend Article VII, Section 14(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

§14. Donation, Loan, or Pledge of Public Credit

Section 14.

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(B) Authorized Uses. Nothing in this Section shall prevent (1) the use of public funds for programs of social welfare for the aid and support of the needy; (2) contributions of public funds to pension and insurance programs for the benefit of public employees; (3) the pledge of public funds, credit, property, or things of value for public purposes with respect to the issuance of bonds or other evidences of indebtedness to meet public obligations as provided by law; (4) the return of property, including mineral rights, to a former owner from whom the property had previously been expropriated, or purchased under threat of expropriation, when the legislature by law declares that the public and necessary purpose which originally supported the expropriation has ceased to exist and orders the return of the property to the former owner under such terms and conditions as specified by the legislature; (5) acquisition of stock by any institution of higher education in exchange for any intellectual property; (6) the donation of abandoned or blighted housing property by the governing authority of a municipality or a parish to a nonprofit organization which is recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) nonprofit organization and which agrees to renovate and maintain such property until conveyance of the property by such organization; (7) the deduction of any tax, interest, penalty, or other charges forming the basis of tax liens on blighted property so that they may be subordinated and waived in favor of any purchaser who is not a member of the immediate family of the blighted property owner or which is not any entity in which the owner has a substantial economic interest, but only in connection with a property renovation plan approved by an administrative hearing officer appointed by the parish or municipal government where the property is located; (8) the deduction of past due taxes, interest, and penalties in favor of an owner of a blighted property,

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but only when the owner sells the property at less than the appraised value to facilitate the blighted property renovation plan approved by the parish or municipal government and only after the renovation is completed such deduction being canceled, null and void, and to no effect in the event ownership of the property in the future reverts back to the owner or any member of his immediate family; (9) the donation by the state of asphalt which has been removed from state roads and highways to the governing authority of the parish or municipality where the asphalt was removed, or if not needed by such governing authority, then to any other parish or municipal governing authority, but only pursuant to a cooperative endeavor agreement between the state and the governing authority receiving the donated property; or (10) the investment in stocks of a portion of the Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge Trust and Protection Fund, created under the provisions of R.S. 56:797, and the Russell Sage or Marsh Island Refuge Fund, created under the provisions of R.S. 56:798, such portion not to exceed thirty-five percent of each fund; or (11) the investment in stocks of a portion of the state-funded permanently endowed funds of a public or private college or university, not to exceed thirty-five percent of the public funds endowed.

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Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on September 30,
2006.

Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted to vote FOR or AGAINST, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as follows:

To authorize the investment in stocks of up to thirty-five percent of the state-funded permanently endowed funds of public or private colleges and universities. (Amends Article VII, Section 14(B))

A true copy:
Al Ater
Secretary of State

Proposed Amendment No. 11
Regular Session, 2006

ACT No. 852

HOUSE BILL NO. 389
BY REPRESENTATIVES TRICHE, ARNOLD, BALDONE, CURTIS, DARTEZ, FAUCHEUX, HEATON, KENNEY, AND WALSWORTH AND SENATORS ADLEY, DUPLESSIS, DUPRE, N. GAUTREAUX, HOLLIS, KOSTELKA, MALONE, MARIONNEAUX, MICHOT, MOUNT, MURRAY, NEVERS, AND ULLO
A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 20(A)(3) and (5) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the extension of the homestead exemption to trusts; to provide that the exemption shall extend to revocable and irrevocable trusts under certain circumstances; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to amend Article VII, Section 20(A)(3) and (5) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

§20. Homestead Exemption

Section 20.(A) Homeowners.

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(3) The homestead exemption shall extend to property owned by ~~an irrevocable~~ a trust when the principal beneficiary or beneficiaries of the trust are the settlor or settlors of the trust and were the immediate prior owners of the homestead, and the homestead is occupied as such by a principal beneficiary. The provisions of this Subparagraph shall apply only to property which qualified for the homestead exemption immediately prior to transfer, conveyance, or donation in trust or which would have qualified for the homestead exemption if such property were not owned in trust.

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(5) The homestead exemption shall extend only to a natural person or persons and to ~~an irrevocable~~ a trust created by a natural person or persons, in which the beneficiaries of the trust are a natural person or persons provided that the provisions of this Paragraph are otherwise satisfied.

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Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on September 30, 2006.

Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted to vote FOR or AGAINST, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as follows:

To extend the homestead exemption to property owned by a revocable trust, in addition to the existing application to property owned by an irrevocable trust. (Amends Article VII, Section 20(A)(3) and (5))

A true copy:
Al Ater
Secretary of State

Proposed Amendment No. 12
Regular Session, 2006

ACT No. 858

HOUSE BILL NO. 716
BY REPRESENTATIVE BEARD
A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article IV, Sections 15 and 16 of the Constitution of Louisiana, to provide for the filling of a vacancy in a statewide elective office other than the office of governor; to provide for certain procedures and limitations; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to amend Article IV, Sections 15 and 16 of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

§15. Vacancy in Office of Lieutenant Governor

Section 15. Should a vacancy occur in the office of lieutenant governor, the governor shall nominate a lieutenant governor, who shall take office upon confirmation by a majority vote of the elected members of each house of the legislature. If the unexpired term exceeds one year, such person shall serve as lieutenant governor only until the office is filled as provided in Section 16(B) of this Article.

§16. Vacancies in ~~Other~~ Statewide Elective Offices

Section 16. (A) A vacancy in a statewide elective office other than that of governor or lieutenant governor shall be filled by the first assistant. If the unexpired term exceeds one year, the first assistant shall serve only until the person elected as provided in Paragraph (B) of this Section takes office.

(B) If the unexpired term exceeds one year, the office shall be filled by election at the next regularly scheduled congressional or statewide election; ~~and the first assistant shall serve only until the person then elected takes office.~~ however, if no such election date is available within one year of the vacancy, the office shall be filled by election at a special election called by the governor for such purpose.

Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on September 30, 2006.

Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted to vote FOR or AGAINST, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as follows:

To provide for the filling of vacancies in the lieutenant governor's office and other statewide elective offices; to provide that if more than one year remains in the term, the person nominated by the governor and confirmed by the legislature to serve as lieutenant governor or the first assistant in other statewide elected offices, shall fill the vacancy only until the office can be filled at the next regular statewide or congressional election or until the governor is required to call a special election. (Amends Article IV, Sections 15 and 16)

A true copy:
Al Ater
Secretary of State

Proposed Amendment No. 13
Regular Session, 2006

ACT No. 860

HOUSE BILL NO. 13
BY REPRESENTATIVES GREENE AND TOOMY
A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article V, Section 24 of the Constitution of Louisiana, to provide for the qualifications of office for judges; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; to provide for an effective date; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to amend Article V, Section 24 of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

§24. Judges; Qualifications

Section 24.(A) A judge of the supreme court, a court of appeal, district court, family court, parish court, or court having solely juvenile jurisdiction shall have been ~~admitted to the practice of law in this state for at least five years prior to his election and shall have been~~ domiciled in the respective district, circuit, or parish for ~~the two years~~ one year preceding election and shall have been admitted to the practice of law in the state for at least the number of years specified as follows:

(1) For the supreme court or a court of appeals - ten years.

(2) For a district court, family court, parish court, or court having solely juvenile jurisdiction - eight years.

(B) He shall not practice law.

Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on September 30, 2006.

Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted to vote FOR or AGAINST, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as follows:

To provide that a person shall have been admitted to the practice of law for ten years preceding election to the supreme court or a court of appeals and for eight years preceding election to a district court, family court, parish court, or court having solely juvenile jurisdiction; and to decrease the requirement that a person be domiciled in the respective district, circuit, or parish from two years to one year preceding election. Effective January 1, 2008, and applicable to any person who is elected to the office of judge on and after January 1, 2008. (Amends Article V, Section 24)

Section 4. Be it further resolved that the provisions of this Amendment shall become effective on January 1, 2008, and shall be applicable to any person who is elected to the office of judge on and after January 1, 2008.

A true copy:
Al Ater
Secretary of State

RUN: Aug. 10 (Au 28)

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals for the construction of the following project will be received by the CAMERON PARISH POLICE JURY of Cameron, Louisiana until 3:30 PM on 31 August 2006 at the Cameron Parish Police Jury Temporary Offices, 10080 Gulf Highway, Grand Lake Community, Lake Charles, LA 70607.

Project Number: 2006-14
Post-Rita Restoration of Parish Road 217

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

II. Highway and Bridge Construction

3. Permanent or paved highways or streets (Asphalt Hot Mix)
5. Permanent or paved highways or street (Concrete)
6. Permanent or paved highways or streets (Soil Cement)

Proposal forms will not be issued later than 24 hours prior to the hour and date set for receiving proposals. Contractors may submit proposals on any contract for which they hold valid Louisiana Contractors classification. Every bid submitted shall be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond in the amount of 5% of the bid and shall be made payable to the CAMERON PARISH POLICE JURY.

Full information and proposal forms are available at the office of Lonnie G. Harper & Associates, Inc., Post Office Box 229, Grand Chenier, Louisiana 70643-0229, (337) 538-2574. Plans and specifications may be inspected upon deposit of $50.00 per set. Bids must be submitted on proposal forms provided by the engineer. Official action will be taken at the regularly scheduled Cameron Parish Police Jury meeting. The CAMERON PARISH POLICE JURY reserves the right to reject any or all the proposals.

Cameron Parish Police Jury
/s/ Douaine Conner, President
RUN: Aug. 10, 17 and 24 (Au-29)

I AM APPLYING to the Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control of the State of Louisiana for a permit to sell beverages of high and low alcoholic content at retail in the Parish of Cameron at the following address:

4428 W. Creole Hwy
Creole, LA 70632
Creole One Stop
/s/ Angela Nunez

Petition of Opposition should be made in writing in accordance with L.R.S. Title 26, Section 85 and 283.
Run: Aug. 10 (Au 30)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sealed bids will be received by the Cameron Parish Recreation District #7 until 1:30 p.m., Friday, August 25, 2006 in the Police Jury Administrative Office, 10080 Gulf Highway, Grand Lake, Louisiana, for the purchase and installation of new fencing at the Creole Pool located at 115 East Creole Highway, Creole, Louisiana as per specifications. All bids must be submitted on bid forms which may be obtained from the Police Jury Administrative Office or by calling (337) 905-1189.

BY:
/s/ Angelia Conner
Angelia Conner, President
Run: Aug. 10, 17, and 24 (Au 32)

CAMEORN PARISH
WATERWORKS DISTRICT
NO. 10
PROCEEDINGS

The Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 10 met in regular session on Tuesday-July 11, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. at the Johnson Bayou Baptist Church Fellowship Hall in Johnson Bayou, Louisiana, due to Hurricane Rita. Members present were: Mrs. Connie Trahan, Mr. Nathan Griffith, and Mr. Lloyd Badon. Members absent were Mr. Jessie Simon, Jr. and Mr. Jim Cox. Guest attending were Sonny McGee, Mike Elliott, Billy Crabb, John Walters, Anne & Dale Scrivner, Stu Butler & Bob Dill.

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

It was moved by Mrs. Trahan, seconded by Mr. Badon and carried that the minutes be read and accepted.

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

It was moved by Mr. Badon, seconded by Mrs. Trahan and carried to approve the 2005 final audit presented by CPA Mike Elliott.

Mr. Bob Dill, Anne Scrivner, Dale Scrivner, and Stu Butler discussed the Longbeach water problem with the Board of Directors and Billy Crabb with the State. the main objective at this time is to get water to the residences of Longbeach subdivision, but legalities in the COBRA zone are keeping the project from moving forward. Rhonda will keep in touch with Billy Crabb and public officials to get this project going.

John Walters approached the Board of Directors about putting a pole barn in the place of the Holly Beach ambulance station and extending a little to the East to store the Fire and rescue truck until the new fire station is built. It was moved by Mrs. Trahan, seconded by Mr. Badon and carried to allow Mr. Walters to have a pole barn built for the above purposes.

It was moved by Mr. Badon, seconded by Mrs. Trahan and carried to re-install the 6' hurricane fence to the North of the Johnson Bayou office.

The contract with Phoenix Tank was reviewed. Rhonda is to contact Mr. Werling to discuss issues pertaining to the contract. Once everything is resolved the contract will be signed and work will begin.

It was moved by Mrs. Trahan, seconded by Mr. Badon and carried to begin charging a $5.00 late fee to all bills that are not paid in full by the 15th of each month.

It was moved by Mr. Badon, seconded by Mrs. Trahan and carried to implement the following policy: All distribution lines that are installed in the future will be 6" lines or larger. All fire hydrants will be a 3-way or larger.

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Badon adjourned the meeting at 8:15 pm.

The next Waterworks meeting will be held on the second Tuesday of August 2006 at 6:00 pm. in Johnson Bayou.

Approved:
/s/ Nathan Griffith
Nathan Griffith-Chairman
Attest:
/s/ Connie Trahan
Connie Trahan-Secretary
RUN: Aug. 10 (Au-33)

HACKBERRY RURAL Health Clinic has reopened in its permanent location at 1020 Main Street in Hackberry. The clinic is open weekdays except for Wednesdays. Call 762-3762 for more information.

Controlling fire ants

Fire ants currently infest 325 million acres in the U.S., an area larger than the size of Spain and France combined. Experts say preventative control methods, such as TopChoice(r), a low-dose, granular insecticide that is spread over lawns and landscape beds like fertilizer, can help control both existing mounds and the formation of new mounds for up to one year. For more information, visit www.nofireants.com and www.foodallergy.org.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

According to Carl Broussard, Cameron Parish Clerk of Court, and by proclamation of the Governor of the State of Louisiana, dated April 5, 2006, in accordance with provisions of La. R. S. 18:621 (A) (2) and (3) calling for a special Primary Election to be held on Saturday, September 30, 2006, and a General Election is hereby ordered to be held Tuesday, November 7, 2006 for the purpose of electing a person to fill the vacancy in the office of justice of the peace, Justice of the Peace, Ward 2, in the Parish of Cameron, State of Louisiana, due to the resignation of the Honorable Sallie Domingue.

Justice of the Peace, Ward 2 encompasses Portion of (Precinct 12) Muria, Portion of (Precinct 13) East Creole and Portion of (Precinct 17) Western Portion of Grand Chenier area of Cameron Parish.

Qualifying for candidates seeking said office shall be from Wednesday, August 9, 2006 through Friday, August 11, 2006 at the Cameron Parish Clerk of Court's Office, in Cameron, Louisiana.

The Clerk of Court's Office hours during qualifying will be as follows:

Wednesday, August 9, 2006, 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.
Thursday, August 10, 2006, 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.
Friday, August 11, 2006, 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

For a copy of qualifications and qualifying fees for the above named office; interested persons can call the Cameron Parish Clerk of Court's Office at (337) 775-5316 Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

RUN: July 27 and Aug. 3 (Ju-48)

Cameron LNG LLC
AN AFFILIATE OF SEMPRA LNG

Cameron LNG, LLC ("Cameron LNG"), a subsidiary of Sempra Energy, with its principal office located at 101 Ash Street, San Diego, California 92101, filed an application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("Commission") on July 18, 2006. In its application, Cameron LNG requests, among other things, authority under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 153 of the Rules and Regulations of the Commission for modifications to the liquefied natural gas ("LNG") import terminal approvals that the Commission previously granted in Hackberry LNG Terminal, L.L.C., Preliminary Determination on Non-Environmental Issues, 101 FERC ¶ 61,294 (2002) ("Preliminary Determination"); Cameron LNG, LLC, Order Issuing Certificates and Granting Requests for Rehearing, 104 FERC ¶ 61,269 (2003) ("Original Certificate Order"); Cameron LNG, LLC, Order Amending Section 3 Authorization, 111 FERC ¶ 61,018 (2005); and Cameron LNG, LLC, Order Amending Certificates and Section 3 Authorization, 115 FERC ¶ 61,229 (2006). The Commission has assigned Docket No. CP06-422-000 to this application.

In particular, the application seeks authority to expand the LNG terminal facilities previously approved: (i) to increase to 2.65 Bscf/d the send-out rate of the terminal from the previously certificated send-out rate of 1,500,000 Dth/d; (ii) to increase LNG storage capacity from 480,000 m^3 to 640,000 m^3 through the addition of a fourth storage tank; (iii) to increase the LNG unloading rate at each berth; (iv) on an interim basis, while the expansion facilities are being constructed, to increase to 1.8 Bscf/d the send-out rate from the previously certificated send-out rate of 1,500,000 Dth/d and (v) to modify the Btu control unit to include an option for diluting the send-out gas with an inert gas stream in addition to or as an alternative to the liquids-stripping facility previously identified by Cameron LNG in earlier applications. Cameron LNG has requested the Commission to issue a final order granting the requested authorizations by February 1, 2007.

A general location map of the Cameron LNG project is available at www.sempralng.com/Pages/Terminals/Cameron/maps.htm.

If you are interested in reviewing the Cameron LNG application, it will be made available at the Cameron Parish Public Library, Hackberry Branch, at 983 Main Street, Hackberry, Louisiana 70645. The application is also on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. It is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at www.ferc.gov using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208-3676. For TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Hard copies of the LNG Terminal application may be requested from:

Stacy Van Goor
Director of Federal Regulatory Affairs
Sempra Global
101 Ash Street, HQ8
San Diego, CA 92101
(619) 696-2264
SVangoor@SempraGlobal.com

Any questions about this application should be directed to contact information above or by calling (877) SEMPRA9.

On December 22, 2005, the Commission's staff granted the request of Cameron LNG to use the National Environmental Policy Act ("NEPA") Pre-Filing Process. Now, with the filing of the application, the NEPA Pre-Filing Process has ended. From this time forward, Cameron LNG's proceeding will be conducted only in the docket referenced in the caption of this notice.

The Commission's most recent landowner pamphlet entitled "An Interstate Natural Gas Facility on My Land? What Do I Need to Know?" explains the Commission's certificate process and addresses some of the basic concerns of landowners. A copy of this pamphlet is available at www.ferc.gov or by contacting the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (866) 208-3372 (toll-free) or (202) 208-1088. That office will answer any further questions about the procedures involved. Cameron LNG is sending copies of the Commission's notice of application that provides the date by which timely motions to intervene are due, together with the Commission's information sheet on how to intervene in Commission proceedings to affected landowners.

Cameron LNG strives to be a good neighbor and believes that its project will bring many benefits to the local community and region by providing hundreds of construction jobs, full-time positions and tax revenues, to name a few. Additionally, the project will play an integral role in providing competitively-priced supplies of natural gas to the nation, which in turn may help local manufacturers that rely on natural gas to run their operations more efficiently. If you have any questions or comments regarding the Cameron LNG project, please feel free to use the contact information above.

Classifieds

Real Estate

HOUSE FOR Sale. Elevated home on 1.25 acre lot in Garber Subdivision. Approximately 3 miles from Down Town Cameron. Over 3000 sq-ft of heated living. 5 Bedrooms, 3 Baths. Floor sits 15.6 feet above flood elevation. House experienced damage from Rita and needs repairs. Call (843) 402-9695 6/29 - 8/31p.

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Sex Offender

UNDER ACT 962 of the Louisiana Legislature, I am required to advise you that my name is I, Irvin A. Bang, Jr., have been convicted of Carnal Knowledge of a Juvenille. My address is 129 Mildred Street, Cameron, LA, 70531.

Race: White. Sex: Male. DOB: 07/18/80. Height: 5'11". Weight: 152 lbs. Hair Color: Brown. Eye Color: Hazel.

Au-24 (Runs: 8/10 & 8/27)

Health Savings Account fills gaps

Did you know a Health Savings Account (HSAs) can fill gaps in your regular health insurance plan? HSAs allow many employees to have pre-tax dollars deducted from their paychecks for payment of health-related expenses not covered by insurance. Plans vary according to your insurance deductible and the plan your employer offers, but HSAs can be a great way to save up for big expenses like braces for your kid (or yourself) or a new pair of glasses. HSAs allow you to get more bang for your buck – an average of 25 percent more for the average worker. In the past, workers were reluctant to participate in Flexible Savings Accounts because of the "use-it-or-lose-it" rule. HSAs are different because the money stays in an interest-bearing savings account until you use it for qualified medical expenses. More information is available about HSAs at http://www.treasury.gov/offices/public-affairs/hsa/.

CINDY NODORFT, left, AEGON Corporate Communications Manager from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Nicole Lorey of the Transamerica Los Angeles Division, display heaping plates of fried alligator, jambalaya, green beans and homemade bread and cookies under the gym's "breezeway" at South Cameron High School. The efforts of all of the volunteers are evident in the progress being made at the temporary campus in Creole.
(Photo courtesy of Stephanie Rodrigue.)

SUPERINTENDENT DOUG CHANCE thanks Ken Kilbane, President of Transamerica Occidental Life Insurance Company of Los Angeles and his daughter, Courtney, for their efforts in making a difference in the lives of Cameron Parish students.
(Photo courtesy of Stephanie Rodrigue.)

Getting Personal. . .

BY JERRY WISE

I recently ran across some color slides made by Bill Turnbull a few years ago and loaned to the Pilot for reprinting.

Bill and his wife Janie moved to Cameron some years ago following his retirement and they became very active in community affairs.

Bill was a very talented photographer and took hundreds of color photos of Cameron scenes. Many of these were run in the Pilot and others were used in promoting the Creole nature trail.

I and others urged him to publish a book of his photographs, which I thought were just as good as those of the noted Louisiana photographer, C. C. Lockwood.

Unfortunately, he never got around to doing that before his death several years ago.

Recently it occurred to me that if Janie was still living in Cameron, all of Bill's photographs may have been lost in the hurricane.

However, I learned that Janie had moved to Oklahoma before the hurricane and that the photos were safe.

In a telephone conversation with Janie, I learned that she has decided to publish a book of Bill's photos and is trying to find a publisher.

Let's hope that she is successful. Such a book would be great interest as it would preserve for posterity the beauty of Cameron Parish prior to Rita.

Hopefully that beauty will return in a few years as the parish makes a comeback just as it did after Hurricane Audrey nearly 50 years ago.

Volunteers aid schools

Aegon Transamerica employees, a Partner in Education with the lower Cameron Parish schools, converged from points throughout the country on Tuesday, Aug. 8, to assist in preparing 43 temporary classrooms in Creole.

Superintendent Doug Chance thanks Ken Kilbane, President of Transamerica Occidental Life Insurance Company of Los Angeles and his daughter Courtney, for their efforts in making a difference in the lives of Cameron Parish students.

Scotty Turner with Computer One of Lafayette provided a catered luncheon for all of the teachers, community and Aegon volunteers who are working this week at South Cameron High School.

Paula Mudd of Lake Charles Coca-Cola is providing water and soft drinks throughout the week, and Dewitt Carrier of Teacher's Pet is providing snacks. Teacher's Pet also provided dinner for the Aegon group before flying out on Tuesday evening.

The efforts of all of the volunteers are evident in the progress being made at the temporary campus in Creole.

Labor Day, Sept. 4, begins National Payroll Week

Did you know the average American will work 116 days in 2006 just to pay taxes? Fortunately, most taxes are deducted from your paycheck over the course of the year, making the tax hit a little less painful. You should check the tax deductions on your paycheck regularly to ensure the ideal amount is being deducted so you won't be caught off guard with a big tax bill at the end of they year. While some workers enjoy getting a tax refund, keep in mind that you missed out on the interest that your money could have earned if you had been saving it, rather than letting Uncle Sam enjoy an interest-free loan with your hard-earned cash. Check your tax deductions by using the free personal calculator at www.paycheckcity.com.

Livestock storm losses could be covered

USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) continues to take applications from livestock producers who had livestock and feed losses due to the 2005 hurricanes. According to Kirk L. Smith, County Executive Director in the Calcasieu-Cameron Parish FSA Office, FSA has two programs to assist farmers in reestablishing their purchasing power by making payments for livestock that perished or feed that was lost or increase in feed cost due to the hurricanes.

The programs are the Livestock Indemnity Program and the Feed Indemnity Program. Qualification is based on individual producer losses. There is an $80,000 payment limitation per "person" for each program and the ending date for the sign-up period has not yet been announced.

The Livestock Indemnity Program provides payment to eligible livestock owners and/or contract growers who incurred the death of livestock due to a 2005 hurricane. In order to qualify,, a producer had to have eligible livestock that perished in Louisiana as a result of a hurricane during the period beginning on Aug. 29, 2005 and ending either on Oct. 28, 2005 or Nov. 22, 2005, depending upon the parish where the livestock perished. The livestock must have been maintained for commercial usea as part of a farming operation.

Livestock producers who are interested in finding out more about these two programs may contact the Calcasieu-Cameron Parish Farm Service Agency Office located at 1400 Hwy. 14 or by calling 436-5020, ext. 2.

Miller Livestock Markets, Inc. Market Report

For the Sale of Aug. 5, 2006, Trading was active with a turnout of **658** Head from **135** Sellers with **78** Buyers Present. All Classes of Cattle remained fully steady.

DeQuincy (Saturday) August 5: Livestock Receipts: Cattle 542, Horses 2 Hogs 6, Sheep 23, and Goats 85. **BABY CALVES:** Dairy 75^{00}-100^{00} per HD, Beef 150^{00}-225^{00} per HD, Roping Calves (125-200 lbs.) 1.86-2.20 per lb. **STEER & HEIFER CALVES:** 200-300 lb. Steers: 1.50-2.00 per lb., Heifers: 1.45-1.90 per lb.; 300-400 lb. Steers: 1.35-1.90 per lb., Heifers: 1.30-1.75 per lb.; 400-500 lb. Steers: 1.25-1.40 per lb., Heifers: 1.15-1.30 per lb.; 500-600 Lb. Steers: 1.10-1.25 per lb., Heifers: .95-1.15 per lb.; 600-700 lb. Steers: .95-1.10 per lb., Heifer: .85-.95 per lb. **CATTLE:** Cutter & Utility: .47-.52 per lb.; Canners: .44-.47 per lb.; Fat Cows: .45-.47 per lb.; Thin Cows: .32-.36 per lb.; Slaughter Bulls: .54-.59 per lb.; Feeder Bulls: .65-.70 per lb. **COW/CALF PAIRS:** 850^{00}-1050^{00} per pair. **PREGNANCY TESTED COWS:** 750^{00}-950^{00} per HD. **HOGS:** Choice Barrows & Gilts: .33-.36; Medium Barrow & Gilts: .29-.32; Butcher Pigs: .35-.40; Feeder Pigs: .50-.60; Sows 300-500 lbs. .30-.35 per lb.; Boars: .08-.12 per lb. **HORSES:** .28-.37 per lb. **SHEEP & GOATS:** 30^{00}-225^{00} per HD.

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Finance Committee and Recognitions at 3:00 p.m. and Open ALL Bids and Regular Session at 4:00 p.m.

RUN: Aug. 3 (AU 30)

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ANNUAL VOTER REGISTRATION WEEK
AUGUST 7-11, 2006

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BETH FERGUSON, a National Board Certified Teacher at Grand Lake High School presents a plaque to Congressman Boustany which acknowledges his work on behalf of students and schools in Cameron Parish and Southwest Louisiana. The plaque was presented during Congressman Boustany's Educators Roundtable Conference in Crowley on Monday, August 7. The Educators' Roundtable is a forum Congressman Boustany uses to hear teachers, principals, superintendents, and college deans discuss educational concerns and successes across Southwest Louisiana. Ms. Beth Ferguson and Superintendent Chance represented Cameron Parish Schools at the meeting on August 7.

TARPON BASEBALL player Kyle Little takes one for the team from Kalyn Savoie at the Cameron Saltwater Fishing Festival. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

LEAPING LIKE a dolphin, Ian Griffith launches himself down the water slide, being kept slippery by Keylee Young, at the Cameron Saltwater Fishing Festival in Grand Chenier last weekend. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

THE SHAW GROUP has been chosen to assist parish Economic Development and Planning Director Ernie Broussard with the recovery effort in the parish. Broussard, center, introduced these Shaw Louisiana representatives (shown above, from left): Jeffrey Jenkins, Sr. VP; George Bevan, Pres.; Paul O'Neill, VP; and William Croft, Dir. of Emergency Operations. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

THIS YEAR'S Fishing Festival t-shirt says it all: Some things in Cameron Parish never change - Way of Life, Pride, Family, Hospitality, Community Spirit. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

It Seems Just Like Yesterday

By Keith Hambrick

(Cameron Pilot, Aug. 9, 1973)

NEW POSTMASTER

Mrs. Velta B. Berwick, a clerk in the Hackberry Post Office for the past 12 years, was sworn in as the new Hackberry Postmaster Friday. She succeeds Mrs. Marie Johnson, who was named Postmaster at DeQuincy in March.

Mrs. Audrey Michelwalt, clerk, is the other member of the post office staff.

The Hackberry Post Office is a third class post office and serves about 320 families.

JURY MAY ISSUE BONDS

The Cameron Parish Police Jury is looking into the possibility of issuing up to #3 million in road bonds to be retired with the royalty road funds that the parish receives from the state.

Parish Engineer George Bailey submitted a plan to the jurors at their Tuesday meeting that called for hard surfacing or resurfacing all of the parish roads, with the exception of two in Wards 2 and 4.

The jury is considering the bonding of this fund because of the possibility that the parish may lose these funds in the future because of changes made by the Louisiana Constitutional Convention.

At present the parish receives ten percent of all oil revenue that the state gets off of state owned land in the parish. This money is dedicated to improving roads and bridges in the parish.

The royalty road fund has been considerable in the past primarily because of the large oil revenues of the state owned Rockefeller Refuge in Cameron Parish.

The jury, upon a motion by Charles Riggs, voted to apply to the State Bond and Tax Commission for permission to sell the $3 million in bonds if it were decided to do so.

FIELD DEDICATED

The Stephen F. Canik Memorial Baseball Field was dedicated Saturday night in ceremonies at the newly completed $10,000 field. The field was built on land donated by the family of the late Stephen F. Canik.

J. B. Jones, Jr. presented the charter for the field to Mrs. Corrine Canik, widow of the late Mr. Canik.

In making the presentation, Jones praised Mr. Canik as the most optimistic man he had ever seen and one who had a deep love for Grand Chenier.

Mrs. Canik and her two sons, Louis and Orrie, threw out the first ball to officially start the games in the park.

Presentation of league trophies donated by John Richard were made by Orrie Canik to Cameron Constructtion team for second place, and Louis Canik to Roy Bailey Construction Co. team for first place.

SHRIMP MARKING

J. Berton Angelle, director of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, announced that during Aug. 6-10, Rockefeller Refuge will be the site for a joint shrimp marking and recapturing experiment, conducted by biologists of the National Marine Fisheries Service, Galveston Laboratory and the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission. The purpose of the study is to measure shrimp population size, mortality rates, and local movements. A number of these studies have been conducted along the Texas coast and this is the first study of this type in Louisiana in a number of years.

JAMBOREE
By NELL COLLIGAN

News from the four scouts at the Jamboree in Pennsylvania: They all enjoyed the trip up, especially touring Washington, D. C. Kevin Colligan was visited at the hotel by an aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Harris Domangue and their children, Ersin and Lale.

Jerry Jones broke his glasses; Purlis Viator had a stuffy head and sniffles on the way up; Steven Cheramie wrote that Mt. Vernon was the "funnest" place yet; and Kevin misplaced his sleeping bag. They're due back Aug. 10.

CHAIRMEN ARE NAMED

William O. Morris, president of the Cameron Lions Club, announced the following committee chairmen to serve for the coming year:

Ward Fontenot, constitution and by-laws; Ed Kelley, convention; Robert Landry, finance; James L. DeRouen, greeter; Rev. Mims Robertson, information; Charles F. Hebert, membership; J. Berton Daigle, program; E. J. Dronet, public relations; J. B. Jones, Jr., citizenship services; Robert Ortego, educational services; Bruce Craven, environmental services; Jimmy Colligan, health services; Garner Nunez, hearing conservation and work for the deaf; Ed Kelley, international understanding and youth exchange; Clifford Myers, public services; Rueben Morales, recreational services; Jimmy Colligan, sight conservation and work for the blind; Braxton Blake, food exchange; J. B. Jones, Jr., country and western shown; Claude Eagleson, eye glass collection.

GRAND LAKE 4-HERS ATTEND CAMP

Grand Lake Jr. 4-hers who attended Camp Grant Walker last week were Cindy Duhon, Maureen McCain, Betty Dugas, Shari Beard, Sharon LaBove, Karla Vincent, Christine Chession, Barbara LaBove, Pam Duhon, Jack Dugas, Beth Greathouse, Molly Elswick, Michael Beard, Buck Young, Albert Robicheaux, Bill Robicheaux. Also attending with the group were Jr. Leaders Suzanne Robicheaux and Pamela Duhon and local leader Mrs. Albert Guidry.

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Our temporary location was generously provided by Sempra Energy and allowed us to provide basic health services. We're glad to be back in our permanent location offering a range of services for all ages, including:

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KidMed clients are asked to please call the office to resume a schedule for checkups. We accept most health insurance policies, and see patients who are uninsured, self-pay, have Medicare or Medicaid.

Dental care is also available through Dr. Thomas Cates, who will be in the Hackberry Rural Health Clinic each Thursday. His office number is (337) 762-4437.

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