

### Rodney Guilbeaux Guilbeaux to be honored by Diocese

Four citizens of the Diocese of Lake Charles will be recognized for their services to the Church through evangelization and services to the needy.

The four honorees are: Rodney J. Guilbeaux Jr., of Constance Beach, Audrey M. Barker, Mary Ann Riviere, Mary Martin Rothermel, all of Lake Charles.

The four will receive the Diocese's Distinguished Service Award for Humanitarianism at the fourth annual Bishops' Charity Dinner, to be held on Thursday, Nov. 7, at Marilyn's Treasures in Lake Charles.

The \$75-dollar-a-plate dinner is a major fund raiser for the Diocese's Office for Pastoral Services and for other charitable needs of the Diocese's Secretariat for Community Services.

Mrs. Barker, a member of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, has been coordinator for food baskets for the needy during holiday seasons for the Knights of Peter Claver Auxiliary for a number of years.

Guilbeaux has been active for more than a decade in the Louisiana wetlands program and has been a member of Holy Trinity Mission for 20 years, and has served as council president. He has been president of the Louisiana Lions' Eye Research Program, and is a Richard Ward Fellow, in recognition of his services to visually-impaired youth.

Mrs. Riviere is a leader of the Rosary Makers of Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish, who make rosaries for the inmates of local prisons and jails, for members of the Armed Services and for Catholic Missions throughout the world.

Mrs. Rothermel conducts interviewing for all those seeking assistance for St. Margaret Parish, and takes care of emergency relief needs on weekends and at night.

### Notary exam

The notarial examination for Cameron Parish will be given Monday, Dec. 9 at 9 a.m. at the office of Jones Law Firm in Cameron. Applications may be picked up at Jones Law Firm in Cameron during regular business hours and must be returned by Friday, Nov. 29.

The hero is commonly the simplest and obscurest of men."  
 Henry David Thoreau



**NAMED RECENTLY** as Little Mr. and Miss South Cameron Elementary School were Logan Broussard, son of Byron and Cheryl Broussard of Grand Chenier, and Blair Little, daughter of Brent and Vicki Little of Creole. They will compete in the parish contest during the 2003 Fur Festival.

## Morris, Sanner, & Constance elected

By GENEVA GRIFFITH

Two School Board candidates and the Ward 6 constable were elected in runoff races in Cameron parish Tuesday. The parishwide turnout was 45 percent with 3,189 of 7,147 eligible voters going to the polls.

Voters re-elected Clifton L. "Bo Bo" Morris and elected Dwayne Sanner to the School Board and Gwen Sanner Constance Ward 6 constable.

In School Board District 1, incumbent Morris got 330 votes, or 59 percent. His opponent, Barry Badon, got 232 votes, or 41 percent.

In School Board District 2, Dwayne Sanner got 407 votes, or 61 percent. His opponent, Raymond Hicks, got 262 votes, or 39 percent. Incumbent Glenda Abshire did not seek re-election.

In the constable's race, Constance got 400 votes, or 58 percent. Her opponent, Ronnie Swire, got 289 voters, or 42 percent.

Two propositions related to riverboat gaming in Cameron Parish were pulled from the Tuesday ballot, but 182 absentee ballots were cast. Those results were 159 to 23, or 87 percent, to approve the Sabine River as a gaming site; and 160 to 22, or 88 percent, to locate a riverboat on the waterway.

Elected to the School Board on Oct. 5 were Dorothy "Dot" Theriot and Loston McEvers. Rachel Manuel Abadie, Patrick Howerton and Marvin Trahan were elected without opposition at qualifying.

Mary Landrieu got 1,417 votes, or 44 percent, in the Senate race, followed by Suzanne Haik Terrell with 792 votes, or 25 percent.

Votes for other candidates in the order they placed:

John Cooksey, 372 votes, or 12 percent.

"Tony" Perkins, 367 votes, or 12 percent.

Raymond Brown, 150 votes, or 5 percent.

Patrick E. "Live Wire" Landry, 50 votes, or 2 percent.

James Lemann, 21 votes, or 1 percent.

Gary D. Robbins, 11 votes, or zero percent.

Ernest Edward Skillman Jr., 9 votes, or zero percent.

Chris John got 2,275 votes, or 86 percent, in his re-election bid for Congress. His opponent, Roberto Valetta, got 369 votes, or 14 percent.

Here is how Cameron Parish voted on the amendments:

1. Legislative sessions: against, 1,309 to 1,259, or 51 percent opposed.

2. Income/sales tax swap: for, 1,374 to 1,289 or 52 percent in favor.

3. Budget adjustments: against, 1,341 to 1,210, or 53 percent opposed.

4. Removal of public employees: for, 1,804 to 812, or 69 percent in favor.

5. Retirement communities tax break: against, 1,434 to 1,079, or 57 percent opposed.

6. Supplemental pay: for, 2,100 to 576, or 78 percent in favor.

7. One-time filing for senior tax break: for, 1,833 to 798, or 70 percent in favor.

8. Higher education investments: against, 1,672 to 913, or 65 percent opposed.

9. Medicaid Trust Fund investment: against, 1,553 to 951, or 62 percent opposed.

10. Groundwater conservation: against, 1,434 to 1,142, or 56 percent opposed.

11. Offshore drilling rigs tax breaks: for, 1,640 to 1,037, or 61 percent in favor.

12. Parish corner: against, 1,537 to 1,013, or 60 percent opposed.

## Police Jury to continue efforts for gaming boat

By GENEVA GRIFFITH

Although the Louisiana Supreme Court last week finally put an end to Cameron Parish's efforts to have a Sabine River riverboat initiative on the Nov. 5 ballot, the Cameron Parish Police Jury hasn't given up hope of finding some other way to bring the Isle of Capri boat to the parish.

At the Jury's monthly meeting Monday, three jurors were appointed to a committee to meet with the Jones Law Firm in Cameron to see if there is some other avenue that it can follow. Jurors Norma Jo Pinch, Dusty Sandifer, and Charles Precht III were named to the committee.

It was noted that Attorney J. B. Jones, Jr. and his daughter, Jennifer Jones, have been representing the jury in the riverboat matter free of charge.

In other actions, the Jury voted to declare an emergency because of extensive flooding in the parish caused by heavy rains in recent weeks.

Parish Administrator Tina

Horn said the state Office of Emergency Preparedness was compiling a list of parishes that have suffered losses due to continued high water. Parish cattle raisers may be in a bind this winter due to the loss of pastures and hay due to the high water.

Cameron library board members and the parish librarian reported to the jury that they have received permission from the landowners at Grand Chenier to purchase 1 1/2 acres of land on which to locate a proposed library branch. They were given the permission by the jury to make the purchase.

Cameron State Bank was named as the fiscal agent for the parish and Henderson Construction company's bid of \$33,237 was accepted for ramps at the new Hackberry and Johnson Bayou Libraries.

Shelia Peloquin was reappointed to the District 1 beachfront committee and Billy Johnson was appointed to Waterworks District 11.

## 3 apply for school post

The Cameron Parish School Board Monday accepted the applications of three persons who are candidates for the position of school superintendent. They are:

\*Al Burguières, presently the federal program administrator for the Calcasieu Parish School Board.

\*Doug Chance, a resident of Early, Texas who serves as associate professor of education at Howard Payne University.

\*John DeBarge of Hackberry, a former Hackberry high school principal and former school board member.

The application of McNeese Professor William Kristonis was removed from consideration after the board agree that all of position's guidelines were not met.

The three applicants will be interviewed by the board starting at 9 a.m., Monday, Dec. 9 at



Flooding in the Little Chenier area

## Parish is flooded

Cameron Parish was experiencing some extreme flooding this week following heavy rains within the last two weeks.

Much of the problem has been flood waters moving into the parish from the north.

Areas experiencing high water include East Creole, Chenier Perdue and the Black Bayou area.

Tina Horn, Cameron Parish administrator, said that parish trucks are being made available to help residents evacuate their homes if needed.

On Monday, the Cameron Parish Police Jury passed a resolution declaring that a "state of disaster exists in Cameron Parish" due to the excessive

rainfall since Oct. 1.

Tuesday, Rep. Dan Flavin and Senator Jerry Theunissen wrote Gov. Mike Foster asking him to declare Cameron Parish a state of emergency which would allow state aid to be secured for the parish.

### CATTLE PROBLEM SEVERE

Cameron Parish farmers and cattlemen have been seriously affected by the flooding, according to County Agent Gary Wicke.

Because the parish received about 22 inches of rain during October no hay was made or ryegrass planted leaving cattle growers with no feed for the winter, according to Wicke. Grass,

which would have provided grazing into the winter, has been killed by the high water.

Wicke said many cattlemen will have to make a choice this winter to either buy feed or to sell some of their cattle. Hay is short elsewhere and expensive grain may have to be bought.

The agent quoted one 80-year-old Creole cattleman as saying that he only remembers two other years in the past when local cattlemen were unable to bail hay in October.

A representative of the Farm Service Agency in Lake Charles said efforts are being made to secure assistance for cattlemen affected by the flooding but this will take some time to secure.

## Riverboat plans sunk

Cameron Parish's immediate hopes of securing a slice of the riverboat gaming pie came to an end last week when the state Supreme Court refused to hear arguments in a suit that Cameron Police Jury had filed to get a gaming issue on the Nov. 5 ballot.

The 1st Circuit Court of Appeals had earlier ruled that the parish could not hold a referendum on a riverboat casino.

Secretary of State Fox

McKeithen instructed Election Commissioner Suzanne Terrell to instruct the Cameron Clerk of Court to unseal the voting machines and insert new ballot minus the gaming propositions.

In the absentee voting, which had been concluded before the court ruled against the parish, Proposition 1 pertaining to the Sabine River site passed 159 for to 28 against.

Proposition 2, regarding the gambling boat, passed 160 to 22.

These votes were considered as the gaming propositions had been removed from the ballot.

## Pageants to be part of Festival

The Miss, Junior, Teen, and Deb Cameron Parish Pageants will be held Friday, Jan. 11 as part of the 2003 Louisiana Fur and Wildlife Festival which will be held Jan. 12.

The contestants must be 17-22 yrs. of age for Miss, 15-16 for Junior, 13-14 for Teen, and 10-12 for Deb by Jan. 1, 2003. Contestants must have resided in her local community for one year.

The applications and information for the pageants will be distributed to local high schools. If anyone would like an application for any one of the pageants, they can be picked up at any parish high school.

For further information contact Lena Hebert, Miss Cameron Director at 775-5459 or 775-5667; or Vicki Little, Junior, Teen, and Deb Cameron Director at 542-4934.

All applications are due by Monday, Dec. 30.

## Commodities to be given

The Cameron Community Action Agency will hold a second distribution for regular commodities, Thursday, Nov. 7, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Cameron Council on Aging office in Cameron. All clients who have signed up for these commodities in the parish wide areas are urged to come. A limited amount of commodities are available.

If you have any questions contact Darla at 775-5145 or Gail at 598-5158.



CLERK OF COURT Carl Broussard was shown speaking at last year's Veterans Day program in Cameron. This year's program will be held at 2 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 10 in front of the Cameron Courthouse.

## Vets Day program set

The Cameron Parish Chamber of Commerce and the Cameron Parish Police Jury will host a Veteran's Day Celebration on Sunday, Nov. 10, at 2 p.m. at the Cameron Courthouse.

All veterans, enlisted military, emergency responders, families of veterans, families of enlisted military and the general public are invited to attend.

Special tables will be set up for memorabilia displays. Vet-

erans are urged to bring any items they wish to share with the public.

Guest speaker this year is Major General Bennett C. Landreneau, who as the Adjutant General for Louisiana, is responsible for the deployment and coordination of programs, affecting the 12,000 members of the Louisiana Army and Air National Guard. He is also the Director of the Louisiana Office of Emergency Preparedness.

# Funerals

## MRS. LAWRENCE J. (MARGARET) BOURGEOIS

Mrs. Lawrence J. (Margaret) Bourgeois, 81, died Monday, Nov. 4, 2002, in a Lake Charles care center.

She was born in New Orleans, and had lived in Lake Charles since 1940. She was an active member of Boulevard Baptist Church. She was a teacher and librarian, and retired from Western Heights Elementary School in 1982.

Funeral services were held Monday, Nov. 5, in Johnson Funeral Home. Mark Stagg officiated. Burial was in Highland Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Survivors include three daughters, Irene Greathouse of Grand Lake, Annette Kaufman of Lafayette and Mary Derouen of Lake Charles; one brother, Edmund Masson Jr. of New Orleans; and six grandchildren.

and one half-sister, Dora Keaster of Lilbourn, Mo.



## MRS. KLARA H. PARKER

Funeral services for Mrs. Klara Heidi Parker, 77, were held Saturday, Nov. 2 in First Baptist Church in Cameron with burial in the church cemetery under the direction of Hixson Funeral Home. The Rev. Alton Hodnett officiated.

Mrs. Parker died Wednesday, Oct. 30, 2002 in a Lake Charles hospital.

Mrs. Parker was a native of Germany and had lived in Cameron for 33 years. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Robert Parker, of Cameron; two brothers, Willie Reber and Konrad Reber; two sisters, Monica Reber and Bertha Reber, all of Germany and one grandchild.

## ARRIS MOORE

Funeral services for Arris Moore, 66, were held Tuesday, Nov. 5, in St. Memorial Church of God in Christ of Lake



THE CREOLE FIRE fighters shown above completed training courses at the LSU Municipal Fire School. From left, Tim Dupont completed Officer Fire School; Kyle Theriot and Jonathan Laughlin completed Firemanship; and Gerald Richard completed Pumper School.

## Do You Remember?

By Keith Hambrick

### Press, Nov. 6, 1939 HALLOWEEN PARTY AT SWEETLAKE

Friends of Louetta LeBoeuf's were guests at an enjoyable Halloween party Tuesday night at her home in Sweetlake. Halloween colors were featured in the decorations and games were in keeping with the spirit of the evening.

Refreshments were served to: James Holland, Clifford Guidry, Donald Hebert, Bernice Granger, Fern Demarets, Betty Marie Hebert, Dorothy Hebert, Edia Taylor, Vivian LeBoeuf, Frankie Precht, Robert Hebert, Reilly Cormier, Woodrow LeBleu;

Elsia McDowell, Willie Flourney, Wesley LeBoeuf, Betty McCain, Amy Castile, Leola LeBoeuf, Merle Hebert,

Charles. The Rev. Ivanhoe Terry officiated. Burial was in Combre Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mr. Moore died Friday Nov. 1, 2002, in the South Cameron Hospital.

He was a lifelong resident of Creole. He was a shrimper and a member of St. Memorial Church of God in Christ in Lake Charles.

Survivors include his wife, Viola Velma Moore of Creole; one stepson, Hebert Bartie, Dallas, Tex.; one sister, Armagene Davis, Alaska; one brother, Leroy Moore, Alaska; two grandchildren; four great-grandchildren.

Ethel Smith, Paul Reon, Harry Reon, Bob Hayes, Herbert Hebert, Dolores Duhon, Della Dorothy Duhon, Bessie Hebert, Howard Cox;

Wilford Ogea, Dorothy LeBoeuf, Ruth Cormier, Audrey LeBoeuf, Allen LeBleu, Wilbert Demarest, Floyd Granger, Clyde Demarest, Jo Ellen Cox, Floyd LeBoeuf, Clement Cox, George Duhon, Rodney LeBoeuf, Louetta LeBoeuf, Mervyn Taylor, Pauline LeBoeuf, Malcolm Hebert;

Mrs. B. C. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Sampson Granger, Mr. and Mrs. Eraste Hebert, Mrs. Clem Demarets, Mrs. S. Duhon, Mr. and Mrs. George Nunez, Mr. and Mrs. Lazime LeBoeuf, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph LeBoeuf, Murphy Hebert, and William LeBoeuf.

### Cameron Pilot, Nov. 6, 1969 IT'S CHEAPER TO GROW WHISKERS

If you are a Cameron Parish male, you'll probably find it cheaper to grow some whiskers during the next couple of months. Not only will you save on razor blades, but your "whisker permit" is cheaper.

The J. P. Boudoin, Sr. Knights of Columbus Council, which is sponsoring the beard growing contest for the Cameron Parish Centennial, announced that beard growing permits have arrived.

The permits to grow a beard are only 50 cents, but the permits NOT to grow a beard are \$2. The permits are in the form of badges and all Cameron Parish males are urged to purchase one badge or the other and to wear them at public gatherings.

Later on, failure to have a beard or a permit not to grow one may cause the offender to wind up in the "hoosegow."

Badges may be obtained from Patrick Doland at Grand Chenier; Johnny Boudoin or Fredman Theriot at Creole; Boone Hebert at Big Lake; Edward F. Domingue at Hackberry; Mason Istre at Holly Beach; and J. Berton Daigle in the courthouse at Cameron.

### STUDENTS ATTEND COMMUNITY CONCERTS

For the third year a number of local firms have purchased memberships in the Lake Charles Community Concert Association and presented them to the Cameron Elementary School for use by the students.

Principal Bill Morris said that the ten memberships are used to take ten different students to the five musical events held by the Association at McNeese throughout the year. These include nationally known

piano groups, singers, orchestras, etc.

Membership donors this year are the Western Auto Store, Nunez Insurance Agency, Calcasieu Marine National Bank, Cameron Insurance Agency, Cameron Barge Terminal, Louisiana Menhaden co., Cameron State Bank, and the school board office staff.

The program was begun through the efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hackett of Sweetlake.

### SCHOOL LAND IS LEASED

A section of land owned by the Cameron Parish School Board which was in the news recently had a new lessor this week.

The section, 16-15-5, which is surrounded on three sides by the Lacassine National Wildlife Refuge, was recently closed to waterfowl hunting by the Dept. of Interior, which said it took the action to protect the flock of about 1,000 Canada geese that winter in the area.

The section, containing 652 acres, had been leased by the Dept. of Interior for the past five years, but when the section came up for a new leasing Monday, a new lessor won the bid.

James Mallett, Jeff Davis police juror from Iowa, bid \$4600 a year on the section for the surface rights. The Interior Department's bid was only \$3300.

Mallett says he intends to farm the land.

### READ THE CLASSIFIEDS

## Letters

### Kinfolks article is appreciated

Dear Mr. Wise,

One of our new members sent me the article about our most recent issue of Kinfolks that appeared in the Cameron Pilot. What a nice article - thank you very much.

As a result of that article's being in the paper, the Society got one new member and three that wanted a copy of that issue. We appreciate you helping to keep our Society in the news.

Hope you enjoy future issues. And want to thank you for your continued support of our Society with your membership and allowing us to use some of your newspaper articles in our quarterly.

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## Hackberry News Notes

### CATHOLIC NEWS

A bingo to benefit the C.C.D. program will be held at 7:15 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16 at the Hackberry community center.

Thanksgiving baskets will be distributed by St. Peter's Catholic Church. Donations of canned goods and other items, as well as cash, will be appreciated. The KCs are still selling raffle tickets.

### IN PRODUCTION

Lindsay LaBove, daughter of Austin and Barbara LaBove of Hackberry, was a member of the cast of the musical "Annie Warbucks" performed at the Lake Charles Civic Center.

## Birth told

### ALLIE BLAIR HARDIE

Mr. and Mrs. Brian (Cherie) Hardie of Cameron announce the birth of their second child, Allie Blair Sept. 27 at Women and Children's in Lake Charles. She weighed 8 lbs. 4 ozs.

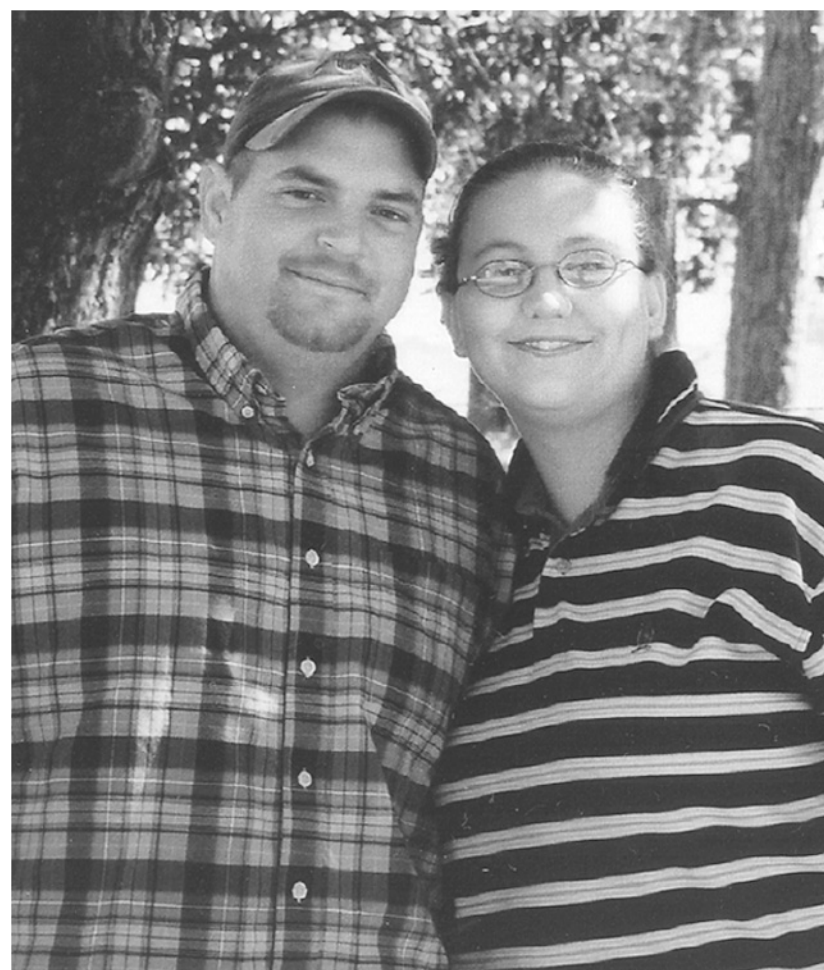
Grandparents are Johnny and Ruth McDaniel and Buddy and Thunia Hardie, all of Cameron.

The couple's other child is Morgan Lane, 6 years old.

## French class selling citrus

Cameron Elementary's French class is selling Florida citrus for a fund raising drive. According to Miss Louise, the French teacher, the funds will be used for technology and school supplies.

The sales team will take orders until Nov. 15. The expected delivery date is Dec. 9. You can call your order in to Miss Louise at 775-5518 or come by the school office.



**MR. AND MRS. Willard (Margaret) Little of Grand Chenier announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Cassie Melissa, to Kirk Jared LeBleu, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff (Martha) Conner of Creole and the late Vernon LeBleu. The wedding is set for Friday, Nov. 8 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Creole at 7 p.m. Through this means, friends and relatives are invited to attend.**

## Hackberry FBLA celebrates 50th anniversary this year

The Hackberry Future Business Leaders of America Chapter is celebrating its 50th anniversary at Hackberry High School and is holding various activities each month to celebrate.

A few of the activities are: Blue and Gold Day, FBLA Treasure Hunt, Mardi Gras parade, Valentines Day Data Match, Christmas Present A Day, and FBLA Week in

February.

Hackberry will again host the District IV Conference at McNeese State University and many plan to attend District and State Conferences.

## Hackberry Jr. 4-H happenings

By LORI BETH SHOVE

A model of a cross-section of the Earth was view by members of the Hackberry Jr. 4-H club during a demonstration of ground water presented by agent Mike LaVergne.

A skit on record books was presented by Taylor Simon and other club members. Kelsey Helmer and Trace Buford gave project reports.

Thank you notes from the faculty and staff thanking the club for lunch that was provided for them on 4-H week were read by Lauren Broussard.

The club voted to purchase the parish t-shirt design and adopt two angels on the Community Christmas Tree. Members are to give \$12 and their shirt size to Ms. Kathy Helmer by Nov. 18 to purchase a shirt. Boys are to bring a boys gift and girls are to bring a girls gift to the December meeting for the Angel Tree Project.

Club events are as follows: Nov. 2, Visit to High Hope Care Center; Nov. 16, Contest Day at Cameron Elementary; Nov. 26, Agriculture Day and Livestock judging at Burton Coliseum; and Dec. 7, a workshop scheduled to replace the November meeting.



## Pavell KC Council tells activities

When the F. J. Pavell Knights of Columbus Council 8323 met on Oct. 28 they named Farrell Blanchard as Knight of the Month and Ray and Margaret Young as Family of the Month.

Senior citizen bingo is Monday, Nov. 11 at 9:30 a.m. at the recreation center. This event, co-sponsored by the KC and Johnson Bayou Recreation Center is free to the public.

The next regular KC Bingo will be held Sun., Nov. 17 at 2 p.m. at the Renewal Center in Johnson Bayou.

The next meeting will be held Mon., Nov. 18 with a rosary at 6:15 p.m., meal at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting at 7 p.m.

The KC blood Drive on Oct. 28 at Johnson Bayou High School had 23 donors.

The KC Council donated \$500 from the French Dance profits to purchase Bibles and textbooks for the CCD and CYO programs at Assumption.

Our youth are planning to attend a Diocesan Youth Conference in February. A raffle is being used as a fund-raiser. They are planning a Youth Bingo on Nov. 10 and a garage sale at the Renewal Center in Dec. 8.

Christmas Baskets for the needy will be distributed again by the KC's members will be Sun., Nov. 17 at 9:30 a.m. at Holy Trinity in Holly Beach and at 11 a.m. at Our Lady of the Assumption in Johnson Bayou.

## Lunch menus

Lunch menus for all Cameron Parish schools for the week of Nov. 8 - Nov. 14 are as follows:

Fri., Nov. 8 - Luncheon meat sandwich, lettuce cup, tator tots, chocolate cookie, sliced bread, catsup.

Mon., Nov. 11 - Barbecue burger, oven fries, baked beans, chocolate cake, chocolate cream, hamburger bun, catsup.

Tues., Nov. 12 - Chicken fajitas, fixings cup, baked potato, banana split dessert, flour tortillas.

Wed., Nov. 13 - Stromboli, tator tots, baked beans, chilled peach slices, catsup.

Thurs., Nov. 14 - Roast beef, fresh fruit cup, green beans, yeast rolls, rice.



**PICTURED AT the recent Sabine Lighthouse hayride at Johnson Bayou were, from left: Carolyn Thibodeaux, president of the Lighthouse Preservation Society; Cindy McGee, secretary; Hilda Crain, treasurer; and Sonny McGee, board member. (Photo by Rodney Guilbeaux.)**

## Hackberry Sr. 4-H meeting

The Hackberry High School Sr. 4-H meeting was held Friday, Oct. 25. Kendra Byler reported on the success of 4-H week and the teachers luncheon. Kyle Fontenot reported on helping out at bingo and Caleb Hicks reported on Beach Sweep 2002.

Clay Billedeaux gave a talk on project tips for the Clover newsletter. Treasurer Paige Sanders read a Halloween poem.

Mr. Mike and Mrs. penny passed out our project books. Darra East, Reporter

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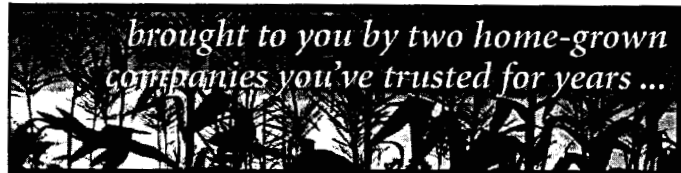
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I want to thank the voters who have given me their support over the last 18 years. It has been a challenging but rewarding experience and I give you my word that I will continue to serve all of the citizens of Southwest Louisiana.

With deepest appreciation,

Judge Billy H. Ezell

# Tarpons clinch share of district championship

By CHRIS MUELLER

The number 1 ranked South Cameron Tarpons clinched at least a share of the district 5-1A title with a resounding victory over the Merryville Panthers last Friday. The Tarpons scored on 5 of its first six possessions en route to the 56-21 victory over the Panthers.

The Tarpons were led by the passing of Brett Baccigalopi and the running of Kris Benoit. Baccigalopi completed 10 of 15 passes for 143 yards and 3 touchdowns and Benoit ended the night with 13 carries for 124 yards and 1 touchdown.

Trey Lute, Baccigalopi's favorite target, snagged 3 passes for 73 yards. Two of the catches were for scores on 8 and 14 yard receptions.

Lute also scored on a 1 yard run in the first quarter to give him 3 touchdowns on the night. Keith McCoin caught a 10 yard pass for a touchdown in the second quarter.

In the second half Baccigalopi dove in for a 1 yard touchdown to up the score to 42 to zip and from there the 1st team took a seat allowing the reserves to play the rest of the way.

Backup quarterback Bart Vidrine scored on a 38 yard run and completed a 55 yard pass to Dominique Leblanc for another score for the Tarpons.

Merryville scored three times in the second half against the Tarpon reserves to make the final score South Cameron 56 Merryville 21.

The Tarpon defense came up

huge again forcing seven fumbles and recovering 5 of them, while enjoying great field position all night long.

# Tarpons to play Oberlin Friday night

By CHRIS MUELLER

The South Cameron Tarpons (9-0) will travel to play the winless Oberlin Tigers in their final regular season game this year. The number 1 ranked Tarpons will be making a bid for its second consecutive perfect regular season and its third straight district championship.

The Tarpons hope to improve their power ratings for the upcoming playoffs.

The Tarpons will host a play-off game the first week whether they win or lose.

Gametime is 7:00 at Oberlin Friday night.



**RAYMOND THIBEAUX of Creole is shown with the 10-point buck that he shot recently. The deer dressed out at 120 pounds.**

# Basketball action told

## BASKETBALL ACTION GIRLS

**Grand Lake 24; Pecan Island 20**

Sarah Brister led the 2-2 Lady Hornets with 9 points.

**Hackberry 46; Hathaway 33**

Meagan Broussard scored 14 points for the Lady Mustangs. Leah Billedeaux and Tobie Duvall added 11 points each.

## BOYS

**Lacassine 87; Hackberry 36**

Brett Stansel and Chase Hicks scored 7 points each for the 1-2 Mustangs.

# Treestands are recalled

A Louisiana manufacturer of treestands has announced that they are recalling approximately 9,000 of their stands. API Outdoors of Tallulah is voluntarily recalling two models of their popular treestands.

The recalled models are the API Hi-Point Cable Cat Climbing Treestand, model number CC501 and the API Buckmaster Grand Slam Climbing Treestand, model number GS3800BM.

The stands are being recalled due to reports that a cable that secures the treestand to the tree can break. This poses the risk of falls and serious injuries to hunters. The recall is being made in cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

LDWF reminds hunters to always check their equipment, especially treestands, in order to ensure the safest possible experience. With the opening of deer season, hunters are encouraged to inspect and test their gear before heading into the woods.

# Cameron Outdoors

By Loston McEvers

## DUCK HUNTING TO OPEN

It seems the month of November has come upon us fast, and counting the days for the opening of duck hunting, which will open on Saturday, Nov. 9 through Dec. 8 for the first split. This will also be the only 30 days to hunt pintails this year. Also opening will be Coots, gallinules, and rails. This is the time of the year where you have a choice for what ever you want to hunt. Choices are geese, duck, gallinules, rails, doves, deer, nutria, crow, squirrel and rabbits.

This month we'll see the menhaden season close, hopefully more migrations of ducks and geese and maybe we'll see some goldeneye ducks as they return to coastal Louisiana.

We do have way too much water, but some of our marshes are loaded with ducks and coots, while others are few and far between. Many hunting clubs are having to build new platform blinds, as water is over their sunken blinds. Some of us will probably have to hunt out of our boats, unless we see lots of water drop.

## FISHING SENSE

November is the month for largemouth bass to begin moving away from the bank and we'll see seabobs appearing along our coast. This is a good month to stock bluegills in your farm ponds.

Large flounders will be showing up and along the sand bars, gigging is a fun way of getting your limit.

Veteran's Day will be Monday, Nov. 11 and Thanksgiving is Nov. 28.

The fresh water and muddy waters have slowed the fishing down, both fresh and saltwater, but it's sure brought us plenty of nice shrimp and large nice crabs.

## HUNTING NEWS

Raymond Thibeaux had a beautiful large 10 pt. buck last week, that four quarters dressed 120 pounds. Rod Richard killed an 8 point buck that weighed 160 pounds.

Some of the older fellas remember the Blue Law, where you couldn't open certain businesses on Sunday. I remember hardware stores was one. Well many states also had a blue law to forbid hunting on Sunday. Efforts to repeal the Sunday hunting laws has been rough in some states like West Virginia, which will have a vote this week to see if the ban is lifted.

These are other states that has either a Sunday restriction, or are entirely closed to Sunday hunting; Virginia, North Carolina, Maryland, New Jersey, Maine, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Connecticut. Ohio has finally gotten to hunt Sundays, but has fought hard and their largest opposition was from their state Farm

Bureau. They really didn't have to contend with the anti-hunters as they did with the farmers.

## NEWS BRIEFS

The La. Wildlife & Fisheries is reminding hunters of migratory game birds, that they are required to be HIP certified. The Harvest Information Program (HIP) Certification is required of all licensed hunters who hunt migratory birds (duck, geese, coots, doves, rails, gallinules, snipes, woodcocks) including lifetime license holders. This is a federal requirement and must be completed each year and in each state where hunters may hunt. This gives information on the harvest of each species of migratory birds. This can be done at any local license vendor location and it cost you nothing.

## SUNRISE-SUNSET

Fri., Nov. 8, 6:327 a.m., 5:20 p.m.

Sat., Nov. 9, 6:33 a.m., 5:20 p.m.

Sun., Nov. 10, 6:34 a.m., 5:19 p.m.

Mon., Nov. 11, 6:35 a.m., 5:18 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 12, 6:35 p.m., 5:18 p.m.

Wed., Nov. 13, 6:36 a.m., 5:17 p.m.

Thurs., Nov. 14, 6:37 a.m., 5:17 p.m.

# DeLaunay graduates from basic

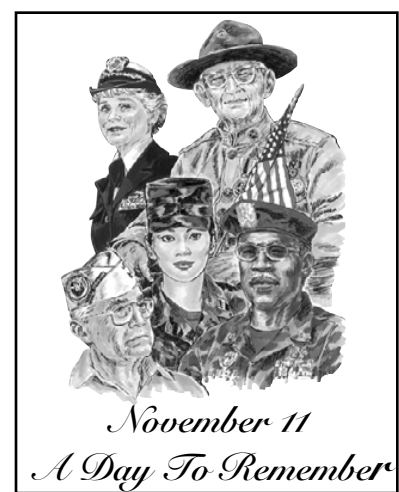
Air Force Airman Julie O. DeLaunay has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

She is the daughter of Marilyn DeLaunay of Cameron and granddaughter of Nova Menasco of Many.

The airman is a 2002 graduate of Florien High School.



# Temporary exemption announced

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) has granted shrimpers a temporary exemption from federal Turtle Excluder Device (TED) requirements in a large portion of Louisiana inshore and offshore territorial waters.

This action follows NMFS consideration of a request made by Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Secretary James H. Jenkins, Jr. following passage of Tropical Storm Isidore and Hurricane Lili in late September and early October.

LDWF marine biologists and Louisiana shrimp fishermen have documented the presence of large amounts of storm related debris throughout most of the state's shrimping grounds. Most debris consists of clumps and rooted mats of marsh vegetation, trees, bushes and branches. This debris has severely impacted both shrimp catch and TED performance and has damaged fishing gear as well.

Shrimpers fishing in Louisiana inshore and offshore territorial waters from the Mississippi-Louisiana state line to the western shore of Freshwater Bayou are exempt from federal TED requirements provided they comply with seasonal tow-time restrictions established by NMFS.

Federal regulations provide for the use of limited tow times as an alternative to the use of TEDs if determined "that the presence of debris or other special environmental conditions in a particular area makes trawling with TED-equipped nets impracticable."

Maximum tow time restrictions of 75 minutes measured from the time trawl doors enter the water until they are retrieved from the water will be in effect from now until 11:59 p.m. December 1, 2002. This exemption from federal TED requirements will expire on December 1, 2002 unless otherwise extended by NMFS.

# Friends,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who voted in the November 5th election. We had the largest turnout of voters ever for District 1.

I would like to thank everyone for all the prayers and encouragement you provided. This was truly a remarkable experience. I am proud to have had the opportunity to participate in our democratic system.

As the election is behind us, we must now move forth with the education of our children. We must now join together and support our School Board Representative and the Cameron Parish School Board.

I would like to encourage everyone to be involved in our school system and be involved with our children.

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# Changes told about taxes according to Stelly

**CAPITAL NEWS**  
**BATON ROUGE (CN)**-- Voters won't see any drastic, immediate changes from their approval of the constitutional amendment swapping state sales taxes for income taxes, Rep. Vic Stelly said after the Nov. 5 election.

The tax change isn't set to take effect until Jan. 1, but even then the change will be gradual. Stelly said that's the way he envisioned the transition when he authored the legislation. He didn't want state government to be saddled with a sudden drop in tax revenue, but he wanted to shift the tax burden more toward affluent taxpayers than low-income ones.

People probably won't even notice the change, Stelly said, but the state will become less dependent on sales tax and more reliant on income tax, which has more long-term growth potential.

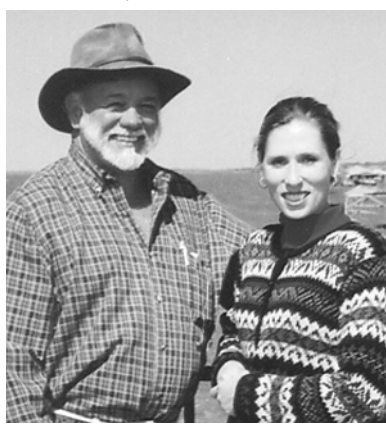
Beginning with the new year, state sales taxes on food, prescription drugs and home utilities will drop from 3.9 cents to 2 cents on the dollar. That 2-cent tax will be removed six months later. Local sales taxes

will not be affected. State income tax revisions will surface for many taxpayers when their state tax withholdings change in January. Revenue Secretary Cynthia Bridges said the new law allows her department to make needed revisions in the withholding tables, which it has not been authorized to do since 1984. Federal tax cuts since then have increased taxable income in Louisiana, but without authority to alter the withholding tables the Revenue Department has been using the old ones.

The amendment also compresses the brackets used in calculating state income taxes.

Taxpayers will pay 2 percent tax on the first \$12,500 of income if they are single or \$25,000 if married, rather than the old threshold of \$10,000 and \$20,000.

The 4 percent bracket will apply to income from \$12,500 to \$25,000 for singles and \$25,000 to \$50,000 for couples under the new plan, with 6 percent tax levied for higher taxable incomes. Previously, single taxpayers paid 4 percent from \$10,000 to \$50,000 and couples



**GUEST SPEAKERS** at the senior social luncheon held Oct. 15 at a restaurant in Big Lake where Capt. Sammie Faulk, Cameron Parish economic development director, and Rachel Abadie, Cameron Parish school board member-elect.

from \$20,000 to \$100,000 of taxable income, and the 6 percent tax kicked in above that.

The remaining difference in income taxes won't be noticeable for many taxpayers until they file their 2003 income tax returns after January 2004. Those returns will not be able to include federal excess itemized deductions, such as home mortgages, some medical expenses and charitable donations.



**SARAH DESHOTEL** of Ville Platte was named the senior showmanship winner at the Junior Brangus Show held in October in Shreveport in connection with the La. State Fair. She is the daughter of Karen and Randy Deshotel of Ville Platte and the granddaughter of Katherine Theriot of DeQuincy and Martin Gayle Theriot of Creole.



**PAYTON ATWELL**, 3, of Grand Lake, placed first with her Black Dutch Jr. buck rabbit at the recent Cal-Cam Fair in Sulphur.

**• NOTICE •**

Absentee voting for the Dec. 7, 2002 election (the U.S. Senate runoff) will be held Monday-Wednesday, Nov. 25-27 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Cameron Parish Registrar of Voters office in the basement of the courthouse in Cameron. The Registrar's Office will be closed Thursday and Friday, Nov. 28 & 29 for Thanksgiving but will open Saturday, Nov. 30 for the last day of absentee voting.

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This was done when Lyle "Butch" Crain passed away in December. We also recognized Tommy Nunez with a donation to the Grand Chenier Methodist Church. Now we have lost another classmate, Winston LeBoeuf.

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