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Students make their way to class on the first day back at Denham Springs High School since the August flood.

Denham Springs High School, Freshman return to repaired schools

By Kevin Fambrough
The Livingston Parish News

DENHAM SPRINGS — Denham Springs Freshman High Principal Ken Magee raised a new American flag at school on Thursday, Jan. 5.

The flag raising coincided with the start of the spring semester in Livingston Parish, but it also marked the return to campus for two Denham Springs schools.

"It's a great feeling," to be back on campus, Magee said. "We were in a great situation at Live Oak Middle School. We made some lifelong friends," while platooning on the campus in Watson.

The flag was donated by a TV show in St. Louis, Mo., "Thread Up," which inspired a drive for donations to help the Freshman High, Magee said.

The Freshman High and Denham Springs High School

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Who's at fault for the Flood?

Denham Springs, Walker, and two parish residents file suit

By Kevin Fambrough
The Livingston Parish News

WALKER — The opening salvo of the battle to determine who is responsible for the Great Flood of 2016 occurred last week as two Livingston Parish cities and two parish residents sued the state and 21 contractors.

The class-action lawsuit was filed Thursday, Jan. 5, 2017 in 19th Judicial District

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Assessor anticipates at least 9% loss in tax revenue

By John Dupont
The Livingston Parish News

LIVINGSTON — The August 2016 flood washed away an anticipated 9 percent growth in parish revenue for next year and instead leaves tax districts facing imminent reductions, Livingston Parish Assessor Jeff Taylor said Tuesday.

The 9 percent hike would have pumped an additional $44 million into Livingston Parish coffers. But the widespread property damage during the August flood and reassessments in the wake have set the stage for a potential loss in revenue for government agencies next year.

"The governments lost every bit of growth they were going to have with reassessment," Taylor said.

The amount the parish will lose remains uncertain, Taylor told the Livingston Parish Council at the annual Board of Review.

"I don't know how much of a hit we're going to take," he said. "We don't have a market yet, but the districts need to get ready for a cut."

The board approved

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DOTD shuts down Burgess bridge

By Kevin Fambrough
The Livingston Parish News

WALKER — A section of Burgess Avenue will be closed until Monday, Jan. 23, for emergency repairs to the West Colyell Creek Bridge, according to the state Department of Transportation & Development.

DOTD closed the roadway between Peak Lane and Lockhart Road (La. 1026) on Friday, Jan. 6, said Kris Wascom, project engineer for DOTD District 62 in Hammond.

"This closure is needed to repair damage caused by the August 2016 flooding. We previously repaired the approach roadway to this bridge that was washed out by the



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State Department of Transportation & Development workers make repairs to the West Colyell Creek Bridge on Burgess Avenue (La. 1027) in Walker. The work should be compleed by Jan. 23, said Kris Wascom, DOTD project engineer.

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French Settlement tops feisty Wolves.

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Livingston Parish Assessor Jeff Taylor explains the process behind the 20-percent post-flood reassessment. He provided details of the reassessment during the Board of Review.

Assessor *issuing 20% reduction in flooded building values*

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the assessed figures, which must now go to the Louisiana Tax Commission for approval shortly after the New Year.

A post-flood reduction of 20 percent on values of flood-damaged buildings, coupled with a $3.7 million reduction for personal property (business inventory and equipment) left the parish an increase of only 1 percent, a hike from $489.7 million in 2015 to $494.4 million for 2016.

The meager increase almost blocks any chance of dodging a loss. The parish would achieve with 100 percent collection of taxes

"We're not going to collect 100 percent," Taylor said. "If we were lucky enough to collect ninety-nine percent, we'd break dead-even, but we're not going to do that.

"We're just hoping we come close so there's not much damage," he said.

Flood damage triggered a drop in personal property from $77.9 million in 2015 to $74.3 million for 2016.

Taxable value of residential property grew from $489.7 million in 2015 to $494.4 million for 2016. In the process, reassessment of damaged homes led to an increase of just under $5 million in homestead exemption.

Under state law, homestead exemption frees homeowners of taxes on the first $75,000 value of their primary home.

Real property (land) showed an increase in taxable value from $369.8 million to $377.3 million.

Public service property trickled upward by less than $800,000 to $42.7 million for 2016.

Denham mayor Landry optimistic about city's future

By John Dupont
The Livingston Parish News

DENHAM SPRINGS — The City of Denham Springs may look a little different in 2017, but it will be the same city it was before the August flood, Mayor Gerard Landry said Thursday.

Landry said he will take an optimistic approach toward the next year as the city continues the rebuilding process from the worst flood to strike Livingston Parish in more than 100 years.

"I'm always an optimist and I firmly believe you have to be optimistic about the future so it turns out that way," he said.

Chats with mayors across the nation have given Landry an idea what he should expect in the rebuilding process for Denham Springs.

"The mayor of Biloxi (Andrew Gilich) and other leaders across the country say they're now better off than before their disasters," Landry said. "The cities don't necessarily look the same, but in terms of higher property values and better infrastructure they have communities which are built to better withstand a disaster.

"Besides, if the leader of a community rebuilds a community and doesn't improve it to be more sustainable than it was before, he hasn't done what he's supposed to do as a leader," he said. "It involves tough decision, but good things can happen if you keep a pulse on the community to see what they want."

Record sales tax collections – $791,802 in October and $737,147 for September – also fuel Landry's upbeat outlook for next year.

The totals are between $120,000 and $130,000 higher from the same time last year. New car sales and the purchase of building materials fueled the surge.

Landry realizes the demand for cars and building materials will ease in coming months, but the return of Walmart in March will come after the ebb.

How the decrease in revenue will affect city operations remains to be seen, Landry said.

He wants to keep services in place and said cuts would be made only as a last resort.

Police and fire protection would be the last areas to take cuts.

"I'd cut anywhere else before I'd cut those two entities because safety and security are the two most important services a city can provide," Landry said.



Denham Springs Mayor Gerard Landry

Landry does not expect the city to make a complete rebound in one year.

"This whole process is a marathon, not a sprint," Landry said. "Hurricane Katrina was eleven years ago, and they're still working with FEMA on repairs to facilities in Biloxi and New Orleans.

"The restoration of our great city will take us a while," he said.

Landry remains unsure how many residents will return or how many have already come back. He said he could not give an accurate population of the city in the wake of the flood.

He said it's too early to tell if or when residents will return to Denham Springs.

"The most important thing for now is to put the infrastructure back together, and then people will come back," Landry said.

The pace at which people return will depend largely on flood insurance, FEMA claims and SBA loans.

"Those of us with flood insurance have been restricted in trying to find a qualified craftsman to rebuild homes … the good ones were taken quickly," Landry said. "

The good news is that some of those contractors are now available and can concentrate on working with other homeowners.

Landry remains confident Denham Springs will continue to gain former residents and some new ones.

The addition of several businesses – three new restaurants and other retailers – also sparks his belief that Denham Springs will make a strong comeback.

"There's still a tremendous amount of interest in Denham Springs and what made us attractive is still here, so there's no other way to look at it other than that we will be back," Landry said. "It will be different, but we will do all we can to maintain the values we cherish, rather than to push for growth at all cost."

December sales tax drops by $1.4 million School Board says

By Kevin Fambrough
The Livingston Parish News

LIVINGSTON — Sales taxes generated in Livingston Parish dropped by $1.4 million in December, according the School Board office that tracks it.

But before panic begins, consider the parish generated $12.3 million more in sales taxes for the first six months of the 2016-17 fiscal year than it did in the 2015-16 fiscal year.

One municipality – the Town of Livingston – and the Denham Springs and Juban Crossing economic development districts did see increases in sales tax revenue.

This is a reversal from November, when three municipalities and a school district showed a drop in sales taxes.

In December, the 18 parish and municipal agencies and governments the School Board tracks accounted for $11,081,980 in sales taxes. This was a drop of $1,499,612 from November's $12,581,593.

In comparison, last month's sales tax was 52 percent higher than the $7,289,939 recorded in December 2015.

For the first six months of the 2016-17 fiscal year, those 18 taxing districts took in $58,363,634, an increase of 26.8 percent from $46,040,940 collected hallway through the 2015-16 fiscal year.

November's sales tax total ($5,336,694) continued the revenue revival since the Great Flood of 2016 hit in August. with an increase of almost $1 million compared to October ($4,511,991).

In November, Livingston Parish collected $12,581,592 in sales taxes, an increase of $910,356 over the $11,671,236 collected in October.

On the plus side of the leger, the Town of Livingston saw an increase in its December sales tax of $5,945 to $60,054 in December after recording $54,109 in November. Compared to December 2015 ($40,170), last month's sales tax was a 49 percent increase.

For the year-to-date, the sales tax has brought in $300,288, a 30 percent increase from $230,430 in 2015.

The Denham Springs Economic Development District also saw an increase of $24,800 from $313,534 in November to $338,334 in December. Compared to December 2015's $333,630, last month was an increase of 1 percent.

But for the year-to-date, the sales tax was down 4 percent, from $1,891,275 in 2015 to $1,810,015 in 2016.

The Juban Crossing Economic Development District also saw an increase of $79,977 from $51,112 in November to $131,089 last month. However, compared to $224,940 in December 2015, last month's sales tax was down 42 percent.

For the year-to-date, the sales tax also saw a 22 percent decrease from $1060,140 in 2015 to $830,955 in 2016.

On the other side, the motor vehicle sales tax saw a $2,004,906 drop from $5,336,694 in November to $3,331,688 in December. Compared to the $962,586 collected in December 2015, last month was a 246 percent increase.

Six months into the 2016 fiscal year, the sales tax has collected $17,114,466, a 121 percent increase from $7,733,164 for the first six months of the 2015 fiscal year.

The hotel/motel sales tax collected dipped $1,681 in December ($38,633) from November ($40,314). Still, the month's sales tax was up 54 percent compared to December 2015's $25,035.

For the year-to-date, the sales tax has taken in $190,022, a 4 percent increase over last year's $183,438

In the field of education, the School Board and two school districts showed declines in sales taxes.

The School Board's 2-cent sales tax saw a $671,749 drop from $4,941,130 in November to $4,269,381 in December. Compared to December 2015 ($2,693,909), this is still a 58.48 percent increase.

Six months into the 2016 fiscal year, the sales tax has brought in $22,460,753, a 30.45 percent increase compared to $17,218,355 in 2015.

The board's ½-cent sales tax collected $944,853 last month, a drop of $143,249 from November ($1,088,102). Compared to December 2015's $597,584, it is still an increase of 58.11 percent.

Meanwhile, School District 22 took in $234,927, a decline of $18,524 from November's $253,451. Compared to December 2015 ($145,872), this is a 61.05 increase.

For the year-to-date, the sales tax total is $1,197,334, a 33.4 percent increase compared to $912,460 in 2015.

School District 33 also took in $9,273 in December, a drop of $735 from November's $10,008. Last month's sales tax is a 20.95 percent drop from $11,731 in December 2015.

For the year-to-date, the sales tax total is $55,731, a 2.35 percent decline compared to $57,073 in 2015.

The Livingston Parish Council's 1-cent sales tax dropped $347,280 from $2,448,013 in November to $2,100,733 in December. The month's sales tax is 62 percent higher than the $664,618 collected in December 2015.

For the first six months of the 2016 fiscal year, the sales tax brought in $11,031,903, a 31.7 increase from $8,376,988 for the same period in 2015.

The half-cent sales tax for law enforcement took in $1,058,695 in December, a decline of $168,566 from $1,227,261 in November. Compared to December 2015 ($664,618), last month saw a 59 percent increase.

Four municipalities also reported declines in sales taxes.

Denham Springs saw a $23,263 drop from $791,802 in November to $768,549 in December. The month's sales tax is 29 percent higher than the $596,933 from December 2015.

Six months into the 2016 fiscal year, the sales tax has collected $3,899,324, an increase of 6.9 percent from the first six months of 2015 ($3,646,183).

Walker collected $476,948 from its 1½-cent sales tax, a decline of $97,583 from November's $574,531. Compared to November 2015 ($277,000), it is a 72 percent increase.

For the year-to-date, the sales tax total is $2,668,822, a 37.4 percent increase over December 2015's $1,942,161.

Springfield took in $34,207 last month with its 2-cent sales tax, also a drop of $5,556 from $39,763 in November. The month's sales tax is 10 percent above December 2015's $31,134.

For the year-to-date, the sales tax total is $214,072, a 6.3 percent decline compared to December 2015's $228,345.

Albany collected $34,827 with its 1-cent sales tax, a $2,284 drop from November's $37.111. Compared with December 2105's $29,017, it is still an increase of 20 percent.

For the year-to-date, the town's tax total is $211,081, an 18 percent increase compared to December 2015's $179,246.

Three drainage districts, each with a ½-cent sales tax, also showed declines.

Drainage District 1 saw a $76,986 drop from $313,762 in November to $236,776 in December. This is still a 94 percent increase compared to December 2015 ($122,102).

Six months into the 2016 fiscal year, its sales tax has collected $1,216,946, an increase of 59 percent from $763,270 in 2015.

Drainage District 2 collected $120,433 last month, a decline of $9,303 from November's $129,736. Compared to November 2015 ($74,302), it is a 62 percent increase.

For the year-to-date, the sales tax total is $612,927, a 31 percent increase compared to December 2015 ($468,554).

Drainage District 5 took in $236,776 in December, a drop of $43,483 from $313,762 in November. This is still an 85 percent jump from $121,281 in December 2015.

For the year-to-date, the sales tax total is $1,195,081, a 37.8 percent increase compared to December 2015 ($867,235).



Parish President Ricks upbeat, but sees challenges ahead

By John Dupont
The Livingston Parish News

LIVINGSTON — The outlook for 2017 looks as solid as possible in light of the August flood, but challenges still loom for next year, Livingston Parish President Layton Ricks said.

The gradual return of commercial development and reopening of businesses brought a sense of optimism after fears of a long-term economic drought following the flood, he said.

"The outlook is great for next year," Ricks said. "Juban Crossing is coming back and it appears the sales tax revenue will level out to less of a loss than we thought.

"We'll take a small hit, but not as dramatic as we expected," he said.

Ricks also expressed optimism about the residential comeback in the parish.

He believes many residents have resolved to rebuild rather than relocate.

"People seem to be in the right frame of mind for rebuilding and getting back to work," Rick said. "We still have pockets of people still reeling from the devastation, but by and large it's been very encouraging and very inspiring to talk to people across the parish who want to put their lives back together after the flood



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Parish President Layton Ricks.

"They had two choices: Fold up shop or get back in their homes," he said. "People here have chosen to buckle up and go after it because they're determined, even with issues with FEMA, Small Business Administration and flood insurance."

The parish could instead face the same challenge that loomed prior to the flood Ricks believes the growth spurt will gain momentum in 2017.

The influx of new residents will bring challenges ranging from improved infrastructure to the need for drainage districts throughout the parish.

"We're going to continue maintaining roads as we try to grow," Ricks said. "We're steadily increasing the capacity as our entire region sees a shift from urban to suburban areas."

The first full year of operation at Epic Piping Co. in Livingston – complete with 500 additional jobs – could also bring a boost to parish revenue and growth in 2017.

The opening of a soft drink bottling facility adjacent to the steel plant and completion of the Martin-Brower food distribution facility in Walker will also brighten the parish economic picture, Ricks said.

"Epic's opening couldn't have come at a better time," he said. "We're ending the year as well as we could've expected under the circumstances with the flooding."

The surge in sales tax from building materials and new automotives – both by-products of the flood – will eventually subside, but Ricks doubts the parish will take as hard a hit officials originally anticipated.

"I believe we're in better shape than we expected," he said.

Zoning – a particularly divisive issue for the parish – could also resurface.

Ricks does not see any major move toward zoning within the next year, but he believes the on-again/off-again debate will eventually reach the forefront for discussion.

"I've had conversations with council members and some are resigned to the fact that at some point we'll have to look at it like the previous council had to do," he said. "But, like me, they want to make sure they do it right and not ram it down the throats of our people."

The Interstate 12/U.S. 190 corridor would be the logical first step if the parish chose the route of zoning, Ricks said.

"That would be the best way to do it," he said. "If we do that, it should be in a way that gives people a chance to adjust without it being detrimental to them."

If the parish moves toward zoning, Ricks wants a plan that protects business investments at the same time it does not hamper on the rights of the homeowners.

He believes each council member would have to gauge the mood of their constituents before Livingston Parish considers a zoning plan.

"I've always believed it's better to get the buy of the people first," Ricks said. "Zoning doesn't have to be an ugly issue."

He also expects the cooperative mindset among the nine new council members will also play a role in a strong 2017.

"I've been very pleased with how the past year as gone with the new members and how easily we got settled in," Ricks said. "We got settled in, they're very easy to work with and we work well together.

"I believe that will help us move into the New Year on a better note," he said.

CVB looks to bring back 'Civic Center' conversation

By John Dupont
The Livingston Parish News

DENHAM SPRINGS — Livingston Parish eventually needs to resume discussion on the missing link to competition for tourism dollars, according to the Livingston Parish Convention and Visitors Bureau director.

The flood makes it unlikely at the present time, but the parish will need a convention center or civic center to vie for tourism dollars which go to East Baton Rouge, Tangipahoa, Ascension and other surrounding parishes, Eric Edwards told the Denham Springs Kiwanis Club at its Jan. 5 meeting.

Edwards believes a civic center would pump additional dollars into the Livingston Parish budget, particularly as the area continues to grow.

"We get requests all the time for conventions and festivals," he said. "We have a few events at the fairgrounds, but out there it's mainly rock and dirt, while they need asphalt and concrete."

Events such as concerts, Broadway shows, "Disney on Ice," graduations, reunions and family events could help keep a facility booked consistently much of the year, he said.

He said he has worked with Homeland Security, representatives, senators on the proposal before the flood.

The flood has indefinitely put on hold the prospect of a convention center, but it could make a difference for the parish, Edwards said.

Edwards expects brighter days perhaps sooner than expected in the wake of the Great Flood of 2016.

Occupancy at area hotels has remained solid since August, partially because of the number of evacuees, but other factors come into play, Edwards said

The plunge in oil prices flattened the lodging industry in Ascension Parish, along with Houma, Lafayette and Morgan City.

"Their occupancies are way down," Edwards said. "We don't know the long-term effects, but we hope for numbers to stay up so hotels and other attractions that are looking at us will start building soon."

The growth in lodging has extended past Denham Springs into Walker, where La Quinta and Best Western Plus have both maintained steady occupancy.

LCVB operates off a 3 percent occupancy tax collected from hotels, campgrounds and bed-and-breakfasts.

"We want to put all the heads in the beds we can because it increases our ability to go out and market our parish even more," Edwards said. "We want more hotels, more shopping and more attractions for Livingston Parish."

LCVB also works with convention/visitor bureaus in East Baton Rouge, Tangipahoa, Ascension, Iberville, West Baton Rouge and the Feliciana parishes.

They also work closely with the AARP.

"That relationship works well because we try to get people when they're ready to retire, and many of them have RVs, which help our beautiful RV parks," Edwards said.

Bass Pro Outdoor World leads the pack in tourism for Livingston Parish with an average of 700,000 visitors per year, he said.

The LCVB plans to concentrate heavily on the Antique District, museums, the annual Livingston Parish Fair – canceled last year due to the flood – and the Hungarian Settlement.

The Hungarian Settlement near Albany plays a big role in parish tourism because of its distinction as the largest active rural community of its kind in the nation. A museum remains on the drawing board, but the time frame for construction appears murky because of the flood.

"They've had trouble getting grants, but we hope to open the museum this year," Edwards said.

The LCVB also wants to get the Creole Museum in French Settlement back in business.

The Antique District, meanwhile, appears to have picked up momentum during the Christmas season.

"We're trying to get everything back up as soon as possible to show people we're resilient and ready to get back to business," Edwards said.

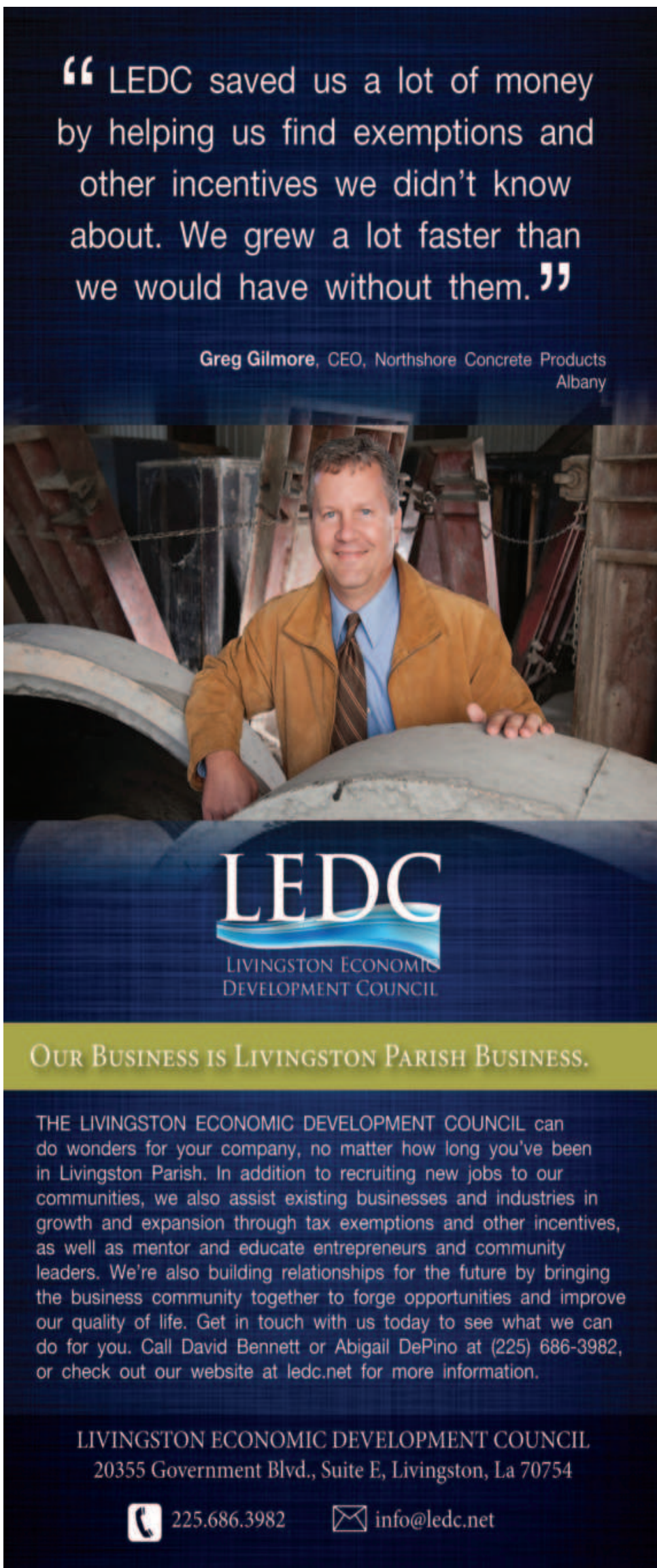
Tourism plays a huge role in the Livingston Parish economy and also helps the state, he said.

The economic impact from tourism total more than $55 million per year in Livingston Parish, according to University of New Orleans and LSU, Edwards said.

The number is a huge jump from the $12 million when Edwards became director in 2006.

More than 13.1 million passengers arrived and departed Louisiana last year, which funneled more than $12 billion to the state economy last year.

"From the signs we're seeing, it will continue to grow from last year," Edwards said.



Burgess *bridge closed for pilings, 'dip' in asphalt*

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flood," Wascom said.

"After reopening the bridge to traffic, we noticed some minor settlement on the bridge itself," he said. "After monitoring the settlement, we determined further repairs were needed.

"These repairs will consist of driving some new piles and adding structural steel to support the bridge, also known as adding a 'helper bent,' " the engineer said.

"Then we will repair the asphalt to eliminate the dip that has developed," he said.

DOTD had issued a news release earlier in the week saying the Burgess Avenue section would be closed on Monday, Jan. 9, but at 1:12 p.m. Friday, Wascom posted a news release on social media announcing the closure had been moved up.

The West Colyell Creek Bridge was closed after the flooding of Aug. 11-12. It remained closed until repairs were made and it reopened Oct. 25.



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DOTD project engineer Kris Wascom said new pilings and some structural steel are needed after some settlement. A "dip" in the asphalt seen in the center of the road will be fixed.





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Animals for adoption

Parish-wide animal shelters have many dogs and cats ready and waiting for adoption. Interested owners can call the Walker Animal Shelter at (225) 791-3482; the Denham Springs Animal Shelter at (225) 664-4472; or the Livingston Animal Shelter at (225) 686-7798.

Salvation Army looks to expand in Denham

By Kevin Fambrough
The Livingston Parish News

DENHAM SPRINGS — A new store location in Denham Springs and an increase in services locally are on the "to-do" list of the Salvation Army of Greater Baton Rouge, according to its commanding officer.

Plans to relocate its thrift store in Denham Springs were in the works before August's flooding, Maj. Brett Meredith told the Denham Springs Kiwanis Club on Thursday, Dec. 15.

The store was not paying for itself and a better location could help, he said.

"We will be in Livingston Parish even more," said Meredith, who took over the Salvation Army's Baton Rouge operation that serves 11 parishes in 2014.

He estimated 700 Livingston Parish residents received services this year.

"It isn't just about a handout," Meredith said, "It is important people know why we do what we do. We are people of faith; that's what we do to serve the community.

"We are who we are and here to make a difference in the lives of kids and families," he said. "That's what drives us to make a difference in community.

"Faith has gotten people through this (flooding) in Livingston Parish and will continue to get through this."

The Salvation Army began 1865 in England, Meredith said, and has been in Baton Rouge for 111 years offering a range of social services.

"This was an easier speech before the flood," Meredith said. "You understand. You've taken the brunt of the devastation of the region."

The Salvation Army offices on Airline Highway took on from 4 to 7 feet water, a "300,000-square-foot service area," he said.

It will be March before they are back in any buildings, he said, and six months before they are back in all of their buildings.

Among the 240,000 people the Salvation Army provided meals to during the aftermath of the flood, 10,000 were in Livingston Parish, Meredith said.

The Salvation Army usually serves 25,000 people in its 11-parish area; this year it will serve more than 100,000, he said.

In 2015, it helped 2,000 children, he said, while 4,000 were helped this year. It expects to help 5,000 in 2017.

But there are challenges, Meredith said. The red kettle program is down $70,000.

"We're trying to figure how to make it up," Meredith said, "We don't want to cut services. The community needs our services."

To meet those needs, "We need good community partners," he added, citing corporate support from such businesses asCBI, Regents Bank, Capital One Bank, General Paper and the United Way.

Each of the past two years, the Salvation Army has increased its funding by $1 million; the plan is to increase it another $1 million next year, he said,

"We have to look beyond our main city, that's why I am here today let people know we are concerned," about their needs, Meredith said.

Every week the Salvation Army serves 300 children in north Baton Rouge, Meredith said. Every day it works with 25 men in its drug and alcohol rehabilitation program.

"Our goal to get them out of addiction and teach them job skills and give them an opportunity to get back on their feet," Meredith said. "One of our strongest programs, not only in our 11 parishes but the state, is our drug and alcohol rehab program."

The rehab program, marking 75 years in Baton Rouge, is "one of the strongest program we have," Meredith said.

"It may not help thousands, but it gets people back into jobs, back in marriages and into their homes, bringing fullness back to people. That's want what we want to see."

The drug rehab program costs $10,000 to $50,000 a month, but it is provided free of charge, Meredith said.

"We try to be faithful in spending our money. I go thru audits twice a year to be sure we have not misspent money," Meredith said.

Of every dollar taken in, he said, 83 cents goes to services.

"As officers, employees make more than my wife and I together," Meredith said. "We don't do it for the money. We are all ministers. Every officer is a minister first.

"We make a different in people's lives through Christ. We serve everyone. We're not called to segment population; we help everyone."

As the Salvation Army looks ahead, two of its buildings on Airline Highway will have to be torn down, Meredith said, including its transitional housing building.

Its transitional housing is now at the Milldale encampment north of Zachary, he said, but plans are to build one across the street from its complex on Airline, which will include space for families with children.

The Salvation Army is working out of Cortana mall with a former Winn Dixie on Greenwell Springs Road as its warehouse.

Bank of Zachary promotes Mark Marionneaux to President

Bank of Zachary announced that Mark S. Marionneaux will succeed Preston L. Kennedy as president effective January 3, 2017. Kennedy will continue serving as CEO and a member of the Bank's Board of Directors.

As president, Marionneaux will build upon the strong foundation Bank of Zachary has established. For over 100 years, the Bank has served the community with impressive customer service and innovative products, and has made it a mission to give back to the community where they are located.



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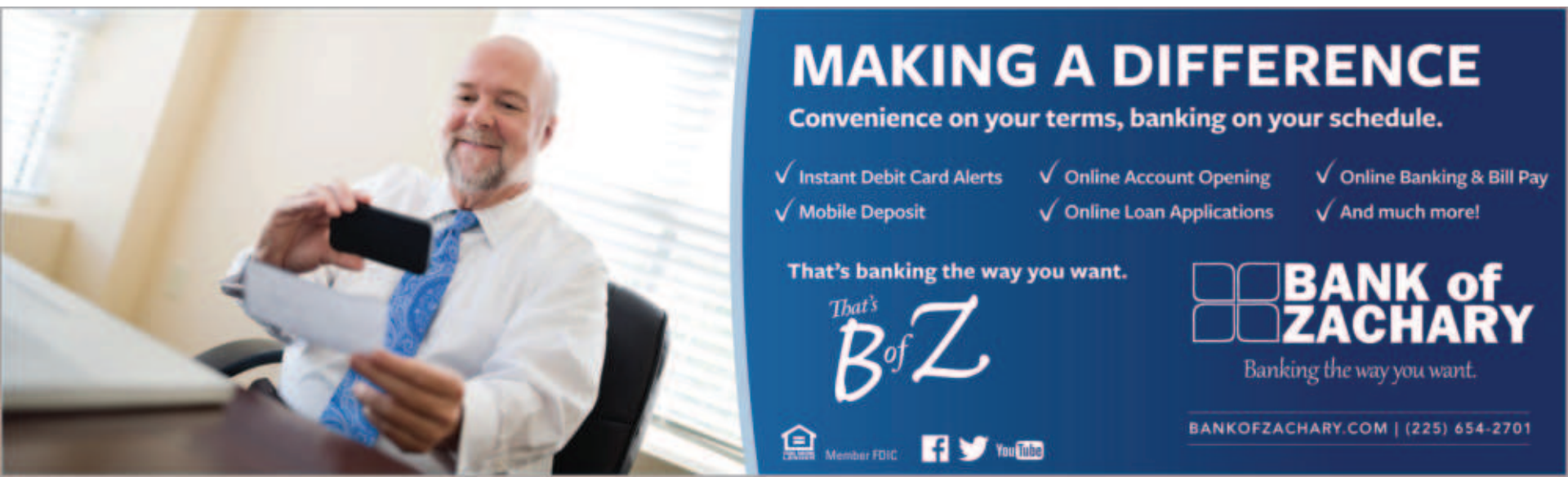
"It is very humbling to be only the 8 th President in the bank's 112 year history. The people that have given so much to make this a great community bank have left a tremendous foundation for us to build upon. I look forward to serving our employees, customers, community, and shareholders."

Currently serving as Bank of Zachary's Senior Vice President and Chief Lending Officer, Marionneaux brings 14 years of banking experience in areas including commercial, mortgage, and agriculture lending.

Marionneaux has been active in the Zachary volunteer community as a board member and past president of both the Zachary Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club of Zachary. He is former board member of the Regional Arts Council of Zachary and Zachary Food Pantry. In 2014 he was recognized as one of The Greater Baton Rouge Business Report's 40 under 40 and in 2016 was chosen as Zachary Chamber of Commerce's Business Person of the Year.

A native of Winnsboro, Marionneaux has a bachelor's degree in agricultural business from the University of Louisiana at Monroe and is a graduate of the Graduate School of Banking at Louisiana State University.

Marionneaux currently resides in Zachary with his wife, Alicia, and their three children Dylan, Kaylea, and Paige.



While some touches incomplete, **schools** *are open*

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returned to their home campuses for the first time since the Great Flood of 2016, almost five months ago.

"Compared to the first day of school, I've never been this excited," said Kelly Jones, principal of Denham Springs High School very early Thursday morning.

"The students will know they are home when they walk through the doors."

In a matter of minutes, Jones addressed the myriad items that principals deal with every day: an uncooperative circuit breaker – "I'll unplug a copier" -- student parking tags – "Not until next week; I won't tow you today" -- and the report of a Range Avenue traffic light stuck on red – "They will get here."

"It looks all the same, from the first day of school," said Stace Artigue, a Denham Springs High sophomore, who arrived on campus at 6:40 a.m. "to get a good parking spot."

Every day Artigue was platooning to Live Oak High, was reminded of his own school, he said.

"It was kind of weird. Every day I just passed up school," on Range Avenue, bound for Watson, he said.

While Artigue could get up as late as 10 a.m. to make it to school for 11:50 a.m. when he was platooning, he said he didn't mind getting up earlier in the morning.

"I'm excited about getting up and going back to school," at Denham Springs High, he said.

Meanwhile, Southside Junior High and Southside Elementary moved to new campuses behind Juban Parc Junior High and Juban Parc Elementary, respectively.

Since schools reopened Sept. 15, both Southside schools shared classroom space with their Juban Parc counterparts.

"For us, it's a new beginning. We will walk into 2017 with our own campus," said Wes Partin, principal of Southside Junior High.

"This new campus will help us get back to a regular schedule and some normalcy as students begin to get back into their homes," he said.

"We were very excited to be on one campus again," said Laura Williams, Southside Elementary principal. "We haven't been together since August. It's a family reunion."

Work is continuing on Hatchell Lane for the temporary campus that will house Denham Springs Elementary. It is expected to be ready by the end of January, School Superintendent Rick Wentzel has said.

"We owe it to our children to provide the best possible learning environment. We owe it to the citizens of Livingston Parish," said Wentzel on Thursday morning as he led local news media around Denham Springs High.

One difference on the high school campus the first day back was the addition of wireless Internet access.

"It's where we need to go. It is quicker and less expensive," Wentzel said, pointing to a router in one building. "We were going there before the flood but we were forced to go there quicker.

"The resiliency of Livingston Parish," said Wentzel, thinking of the two latest schools to re-open. "The school employees of this parish were super. If we asked people for something, they would jump on it. Trash got dumped. Floors were laid. Livingston Parish school employees made it work."

Students also began a revised calendar to make up days lost to flooding.

Twenty-one minutes of instruction time have been added to the daily schedule for all schools, with 10 minutes tacked on in the morning and 11 minutes in the afternoon from Jan. 5 to May 24.

Full days for students now include Feb. 16, March 18 and May 24

Days off in the spring semester will be Martin Luther King Day, Jan, 16; Mardi Gras, Feb. 27-28; Good Friday, March 14; and spring break, March 17-21.

Southside Junior High's campus is nine buildings, Partin said.

It has four modular buildings, each with 10 classrooms, a two-classroom building, front office, library, cafeteria and multi-purpose building for physical education classes.

The four elevated "halls" between the buildings are covered.

Meanwhile, Southside Elementary's first morning saw teachers introducing students to their new modular campus and where to locate everything, according to Williams.

"It was important to explain and establish routines and procedures, especially with younger students," Williams said. "The first day went very smoothly."

"I can say the School Board did a phenomenal job to get us back," said Magee, the Freshman High principal. "A lot of people spent a lot of time here. When you think of Livingston Parish, you think of our schools and how important they are to our community."

"Getting things back to normal is a process," Jones added. "If you walk around you can see how hard teachers have worked," to prepare for the semester.

When their trophy case is replaced at Denham Springs High, a section will be set aside to remember the flood, Jones said.

"The students and teachers who come after us will see what happened. It will be well-documented," he said.

"This is our moment" in history," said William Bradford, who teaches AP American government and politics and American history classes at Denham Springs High.

The students, teachers and staff of Denham Springs High will be able to tell others in future years of this experience.

"My students have done really well" while platooning at Live Oak High last semester, Bradford said. "These are the most resilient kids I've had. They came in every day and did the work. My students will do extremely well in life."

At 7:35 a.m., the intercom continued to work at Denham Springs High as Jones, the principal, called students to stand for the pledge of allegiance

"I have the opportunity to say to our students and teachers, welcome home," Jones said. "It's great to be home at 1000 South Range Avenue … Denham Springs High School is back in session."





CRYSTAL LOGIUDICE | THE NEWS

Above, Denham Springs High teacher Dave Kemp talks to his AP Chemistry II class on the first day back at the Denham Springs High campus since the August flood. Many finishing touches, such as painting and the hanging of doors, are still in the process of being completed. At right, Samuel Van Oss and Cody Thurber, right, rehearse during a band class on the first day back.



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Students make their way to class on the first day back at Denham Springs High School since the August flood.

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Buildings arrive for Denham Springs Elementary temporary location

Modular buildings that will make up the campus of Denham Springs Elementary School arrived Monday at the site on Hatchell Lane. The plans are for the school to open by the end of January.

School Board appoints Bo Graham as interim member

By Natlie Truax
The Livingston Parish News

LIVINGSTON — The School Board Ja. 5 set a special election on Oct. 18 to fill the remaining term of District 7 board member and new Walker Mayor Jimmy Watson.

In the meantime, the board appointed Walker native David Bo Graham to serve as interim representative for District 7.

Graham, with wife Betty holding the family Bible, was sworn into office by Steve Stafford during a short recess after the board appointed him.

Graham, a retiree from the U.S. Postal Service, said he has deep roots in the Walker community – born and raised in the city and graduating from Walker High School. Graham's children went through the system and his grandchildren are attending Walker schools.

"I always had an interest in the schools and the school system," Graham said. "I am excited to serve such a fine system."

Qualifying for candidates for the remainder of Watson's term will be held July 12-14. The primary election is scheduled for Oct. 14 and the general election will be Nov. 18.

In other business, the board approved for the purchase of 3.78 acres on 330709 Hwy. 441 near Holden School.

Board member Malcolm Sibley said the property – located across the school between the Holden church and post office – became available the week before Christmas.

"It's a prime piece of property," Sibley said. "The family offered it to the school system first."

During the meeting, Superintendent of Schools Rick Wetzel praised all at Livingston Parish public schools and everyone in Livingston Parish for helping bring students back to Denham Springs High School, Denham Springs Freshman High and for their work in establishing the temporary campuses for Southside Elementary and Southside Junior High.

"I am Livingston Parish Proud because of what we had to go through, and where we came from," Wentzel said. "They said we couldn't do it – we are LP baby and we did it."

Wentzel said he walked the campuses of the two Denham Springs high schools when they opened their doors and apologized to teachers for not having walls painted in time for the reopening of the campus.

"They told me they did not care," Wentzel said. "They were just happy to be back home."

Wentzel also expressed thanks to the Watson community for hosting the displaced students at Live Oak for the last four months.

"They were gracious and helped us," Wentzel said.

Wentzel said work still continues on the temporary site for Denham Springs Elementary but hopes the work will be finished in the next couple of weeks.

In other action, the board:

-Elected Malcolm Sibley to serve as board president and Buddy Mincey Jr. to serve as board vice president.

-Proclaimed January 2017 as Louisiana School Board Recognition Month

-Named Ziler Architects as the professional of record for reroofing the new gymnasium at French Settlement High School and the high school playing gymnasium at Holden School.

-Granted approval for Southside Junior High to establish a credit card with First Guaranty Bank

-Approved the appointment of Wes Howard as assistant principal at Denham Springs High School. Howard has 18 years of experience as a teacher and administrative assistant.



NATALIE TRUAX | THE NEWS

Steve Stafford, left, administers the oath of office to David Bo Graham, center, as Betty Graham holds the family Bible. Graham, a 33-year retiree from the U.S. Postal Service, was appointed as interim District 7 board member after former board member Jimmy Watson stepped down to start his term as Mayor of Walker.





New Walker Mayor backs suit

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JOHN DUPONT I THE NEWS

Attorney Josh Palmintier discusses the lawsuit the cities of Walker and Denham Springs filed Thursday against the state Department of Transportation and Development in relation to the August flood. Behind him, from left, are Central Mayor Junior Shelton, Livingston Parish President Layton Ricks, Walker Mayor Rick Ramsey, incoming Mayor Jimmy Watson and Denham Springs Mayor Gerard Landry.

Court in East Baton Rouge Parish by Josh Palmintier, of the Law Offices of Michael C. Palmintier and John Neale deGravelles.

The plantiffs are the cities of Walker and Denham Springs, The Williamson Eye Center, Timothy John Kinchen and Shannon Farris Kinchen.

Also representing the plantiffs are Mitchell A. Toups of Weller, Green, Toups & Terrell of Beaumont, Texas, and Joseph Bruno, of Bruno & Bruno of New Orleans.

A Rice University hydrologist hired by Palmintier determined the barrier wall was a "substantial factor in causing flooding … north of the barrier," Palmintier said.

The lawsuit contends, "All of the defendants had reason to believe that the design, construction, and/or adherence to the plans and specifications of the I-12 concrete barrier would create a hazardous condition or unreasonable risk of harm to the Plantiffs."

Walker Mayor Ricky Ramey and Denham Springs Mayor Gerard Landry were at a news conference Oct. 5 at Walker City Hall, with Livingston Parish President Layton Ricks and Central Mayor Junior Shelton.

Ramsey has said a DOTD project raised the level of I-12 by 6 to 12 inches when it overlaid the road surface, by 4 to 6 feet with the barricade and by another 6 feet with work done under the overpass at Juban Crossing.

The work was part of the expansion of Interstate 12 as DOTD's "Geaux Wider" project to expand the interstate from two to three lanes in each direction.

The lawsuit says a 19-mile concrete barrier, from East Baton Rouge Parish to the Walker area in Livingston Parish is "acting as a man-made flood wall that interrupts the natural flow of surface waters."

"If this man-made flood wall is allowed to remain in its present condition, the nature of the land north of I-12 will remain altered to the detriment of every entity within the Class Geography," the lawsuit says.

"Our goal is to never have this happen again," Palmintier said.

Another goal of the lawsuit is to get the state "to fix the problem created by the contractors before the next hurricane season," he said.

The attorney called the flood situation "a serious issue for all of the area north of the barrier wall. We don't want the same design used on I-12 or I-10 or this will happen again.

"It could mean the death of entire communities, because the wall will cause the same disaster to happen again and again."

The lawsuit does not request a specific amount of money but asks for "economic and compensatory damages in amounts to be determined at trial."

When asked who will pay if the lawsuit is successful, Palmintier said since the interstate project was a "design-build" project, the private contractors were responsible for the design and construction.

The lawsuit also asks to be classified as class-action lawsuit.

Palmintier estimated 100,000 homes were affected by the flooding and the damages could eventually run from the "tens of millions to hundreds of millions."

He pointed out the Livingston Parish School Board's damaged alone tops $100 million.

Ramsey said he had heard, in terms of damage and costs, the Great Flood of 2016 could rank fourth in the nation for natural disasters.

The lawsuit is the last mayoral action by Ramsey, who is being succeeded by James Watson. Ramsey chose not to seek re-election in the fall and Watson, a long-time Livingston Parish School Board member, was the lone qualifier.

"I have a lot of confidence in these attorneys," Watson said, giving his support to the lawsuit.

"It's a common-sense thing to me," Watson said after the news conference. "I support the injunctive relief so people can rest easy when it starts raining.

"People won't come back after a second time (flooding)," he said. "People used the FEMA elevation and we required them to build 1 foot above it and they still got water."

Watson said as the incoming mayor he would continue every effort to get Walker residents back in their homes.

"From my perspective, something has got to be done about the wall," he said.

Although Livingston Parish government is not a plantiff, Parish President Layton Ricks attended the news conference.

"It is my intent to support (the lawsuit)," Ricks said.

But before joining the lawsuit, which Ricks said is probable, he said he wants the Parish Council educated about it and the lawyers' research.

"I want the council fully informed – as I have been today. I feel pretty confident" in the lawsuit's arguments, Ricks said.

A key part of the lawsuit is the argument that since the Geaux Wider project was a "design-build" project, "It was the Design-

Builder's sole responsibility to provide Design Plans, Project Specifications, and Working Plans of such a nature to develop a finished product in accordance with Contract requirements."

The lawsuit also contends the designer was supposed to "determine the effective drainage throughout the Project limits and develop a hydraulic design that did not create or increase the magnitude of existing deficiencies of the I-12 structure."

A total of 21 defendants are named in the lawsuit:

The state of Louisiana through the Department of Transportation & Development, Gilchrist Construction Co., Austin Bridge & Road Inc., Boh Bros. Construction Co., James Construction Group, Eustis Engineering, Modjeski & Masters Inc., Geo Engineers, APEX Engineering Corp.

Also, SJB Group, PB Americas Inc., FUGRO Consultants Inc. and Forte & Tablada Inc., Gulf Engineers and Consultants Inc., Volkert Inc., Barriere Construction Co., ABMB Engineers, AECOM USA Inc., G.E.C. Inc., Evans-Graves Engineers Inc. and GOTECH Inc.

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Lead attorney

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State needs more than $1.6 billion for full recovery

By John Dupont
The Livingston Parish News

BATON ROUGE — Louisiana will need more than the $1.6 billion in federal relief money Congress approved if the state wants to ensure full recovery from the floods of 2016, an official from the Edwards Administration said Monday.

The $438 million in Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grants Congress allocated Nov. 21 as part of a "down payment" for flood relief will greatly limit assistance, state Office of Community Development Director Pat Forbes told the Press Club of Baton Rouge.

"It's such a miniscule amount of money that we end up with a very tight group of beneficiaries," he said.

The additional $1.3 billion may not help much more. The amount Congress approved in December fell considerably short of the $3.7 billion Governor John Bel Edwards estimated the state needs for recovery.

"It's not a lot of money," Forbes said. "Even with that amount, it leaves many people short of what they need to rebuild their homes."

The Restore Louisiana Task Force will vote on the allocation plan at 9:30 a.m. Jan. 20 at the Livingston Parish Governmental Building. The meeting was originally scheduled for Jan. 6, but winter weather advisories forced postponement.

The plan allocates funding based on low-to-moderate income households. In Livingston Parish and other parishes in the Greater Baton Rouge area, the LMI cap ranges from $36,350 in a one-person household to $68,550 in a household of eight.

The current plan for $1.6 billion allows aid for only 36,000 households, far below the 100,000-plus homes which sustained damages during the flood.

"Our objective has been to get as many people back home as possible because eventually neighborhoods collapse and you don't have the same community," Forbes said. "We would hope to get as many people back home, but with half the money we need, that's quite the challenge."

Prioritized eligibility would go to household with experienced major to severe levels of damages – more than 1 foot of flooding – and those who did not have coverage under the National Food Insurance Program.



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Pat Forbes, director ofthe state Office of Community Development, outlined the distribution plan for the federal flood-relief funds during an address Monday to the Press Club of Baton Rouge.

The state will not settle for a relief package with a large gap in funding, Forbes said.

Gov. Edwards will make two trips to Washington D.C. over the next month to lobby for more funds when President-elect Donald Trump takes office.

"What they've approved so far is not enough," Forbes said. "The governor has committed to go back until we have enough money for a full recovery."

Under the proposed funding breakdown, 80 percent of the funding would go toward homeowner rehabilitation and reconstruction. The first appropriation – in the $438 million relief package – would cover $388,288,000 and the second would include $935.4 million.

The package also covers 4 percent for business and agriculture. The first appropriation would funnel $12 million, while $50 million would come through the appropriation.

A total of 6 percent in funding would cover rental and public housing assistance, as well as homeless prevention. It would also allocate $20 million in the first round of funding and an additional $80 million in the second.

The funding breakdown also includes administrative funding – or 6 percent of the total amount.

Federal aid under the proposed distribution of the $1.6 billion dollars would go only to residents with severe damage and without structural flood insurance.

Residents in the low-to-moderate income bracket would receive 100 percent of the unmet need, while higher income earners would receive only a percentage of the unmet need.

The Governor's Office of Community Development would direct most of the $1.2 billion toward homeowners, renters and small business owners:

- $935.4 million for homeowners
- $80 million for renters
- $50 million for business owners

The action plan would also set aside $105 million in matching funds for public assistance through the Federal Emergency Management Agency. This would help local governments meet their cost-share match needed for public infrastructure improvements 25 percent for the March flood and 10 percent for the August flood.

Edwards says the Office of Community Development is also working on more recommendations for the specific eligibility requirements for families and business owners. He said the goal is to expand the number of flood survivors, especially homeowners, who receive assistance.

"We'll write the plan for spending the $1.2 billion so we can expand the homeowner assistance program and offer at least some measure of help to everyone who had major or severe damage and did not have flood insurance," Edwards said. "This is a critical step as we strive to help as many flood-impacted homeowners, businesses and communities with unmet needs as we possibly can."

Details on all flood-related programs are available on the task force website, restore.la.gov.

State files extension for displaced residents

By John Dupont
The Livingston Parish News

BATON ROUGE — The Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness will update its extension request to accommodate displaced residents who remain in area hotels in the wake of the August flood, GOHSEP Communications Director Mike Steele said.

Mark Riley, GOHSEP Deputy Director, Disaster Recovery, will ask the FEMA regional headquarters for a 24-day extension past the Jan. 17 deadline on the Temporary Shelter Assistance program.

The abbreviated request would grant the extension up to the 180-day limit FEMA imposes for TSA programs, Steele said.

The 24-extension would keep the 1,300-plus displaced flood victims in hotels across Louisiana and southern Mississippi until tentatively Feb.13.

The 24-day request will allow time for FEMA officials in Washington to mull over an extension beyond the 180-day time frame, Steele said.

"If we modify it down and keep it under the benchmark or at the benchmark, we only have to get approval from the FEMA regional headquarters, who we usually work with, so that would be the only modification that would happen with this one," he said.



JOHN DUPONT | THE NEWS

The Denham Springs branch of Iberville Bank on Range Avenue at Veterans Boulevard was among the 10 locations FirstBancShares, Inc. acquired in a buyout announced on Wednesday.

First Bancshares Inc. acquires Iberville Bank

By John Dupont
The Livingston Parish News

DENHAM SPRINGS — First Bancshares Inc., a holding company for The First, A National Bank Association, announced Wednesday it closed on a transaction to acquire Plaquemine-based Iberville Bank, which operates a Denham Springs location.

The acquisition of gives The First, A National Banking Association 100 percent ownership of the common stock of Iberville Bank in an all-cash transaction, according to BusinessWire.

First Bancshares will pay parent company A. Wilbert & Sons $31.1 million for the bank it established in 1931. Approximately 8 percent of the purchase price payable to A. Wilbert's Sons was held in escrow in contingency for flood-related loan losses in the event of possible defaults related to the recent flooding in Iberville Bank's market area, according to the agreement.

Iberville Bank has been a part of A. Wilbert's Sons since 1931. We are proud of our 85-year bank history and are very pleased that Iberville Bank will continue to be operated as a community bank under the leadership of The First," said Klein Kirby, president of A. Wilbert's Sons "Iberville Bank's customers should see a seamless transaction and the same local leadership after the transaction is closed. The First is an outstanding banking organization and we look forward to an even better Iberville Bank going forward."

Iberville Bank had approximately $258.5 million in assets, $140.8 million in net loans, $230.6 million in deposits and $26.2 million in stockholder equity.

The acquisition includes the Denham Springs branch and nine other locations – Addis, Baton Rouge, Pierre Part, Plaquemine, Plattenville, Port Allen, Prairieville, St. Gabriel and White Castle.

The company also signed an agreement plan and merger to acquire Gulf Coast Community Bank of Pensacola, Fla.

Upon completion of the transactions, the combined company will have approximately $1.6 billion in total assets, $1.4 billion in total deposits and $1.1 billion in total loans. The company will have 48 locations in Mississippi, Louisiana, Alabama and Florida.

Governor appoints two Parish men to state boards

By Kevin Fambrough
The Livingston Parish News

Gov. John Bel Edwards appointed two Livingston Parish men to two state boards recently.

Carl "Jack" Varnado Jr., of Livingston, was reappointed to the Louisiana Emergency Response Network Board.

Jonathan "Jake" Causey, of Walker, was appointed to the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council.

Varnado is a captain with the Livingston Parish Sheriff's Office.

The Louisiana Emergency Response Network Board works for public health standards by addressing unnecessary deaths due to trauma and time-sensitive illness.

Varnado will serve as a representative of the National Emergency Number Association.

Causey is a senior water quality and treatment engineer with Corona Environmental Consulting.

The primary function of the council is to review and adopt the state uniform construction code, provide training and education of code officials, and accept all requests for amendments of the code.



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Business As Usual: 2017 Starts With Tax Increase Proposal



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The new year has begun, and if you were paying any attention to the state Legislature in 2016, then the opening act should come of little surprise.

The issue du jour (or du an, for those picky French speakers) is the 2017-2018 fiscal issues in the state budget.

No easy task, as the state - despite tax increases approved during the marathon of sessions in 2016 - still came up short roughly $500 million.

Specifically, however, Governor John Bel Edwards has set his sights on making a dent in the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development’s (DOTD) backlog, which totals a cool $13.1 billion.

According to reports, there is a separate line item for “mega-projects” that slides in at $16.1 billion and includes such grand themes as a new Mississippi River Bridge, south of the current I-10 span.

How, then, will Bel Edwards and the legislature conquer this problem? The immediately goal is an extra $700 million per year raised through, you guessed it, a new tax.

Recently elected senator John Kennedy, former Louisiana Treasurer, said that Bel Edwards was a good friend, but a bit misguided. According to Kennedy, the governor believed that Louisiana was just ‘one tax away from prosperity,’ so increases to current tax rates are probably considered “Option 1” by the current administration.

After the conclusion of last year’s sessions, Bel Edwards appointed a committee to research potential solutions for ever-growing list of infrastructure projects that continued to feature a net gain in total cost, per year, as opposed to a net loss.

DOTD Secretary Shawn Wilson was the co-chairman of the committee (draw your own conclusions), and their main recommendation was to increase the gas tax, which has not gone up in over two decades. Currently, the rate sits at 38.4 cents per gallon - 18.4 cents to the feds, and 20 cents stays local.

While Wilson and the committee stated that the flood may have an effect on what package the governor chooses to present to the legislature - and there are several - and appropriate spending is a must to keep tax-payer support, the committee was adamant that the gas tax needs to increase. Louisiana is just one of six states that has not raised its gas tax in the past decade, with the national average sittng at 48 cents per gallon.

The committee’s recommendation is a bump of up to 23 cents per gallon, leaving Louisiana motorists paying 61.4 cents per gallon in tax, or just over $3 extra per fill-up on a 15 gallon tank.

In case you were curious, that would put Louisiana ranked third nationally in per gallon of gasoline tax rate, behind Pennsylvania (68.7 cents) and Washington state (62.9 cents).

That’s a tough pill to swallow for Louisiana residents, who already have to support the worst sales tax system in America. Business owners back the gas tax idea, probably in an effort to avoid the sales tax system getting any worse.

Two questions come to mind when considering this new tax: Is the money in House Bill 2 (Capital Outlay) being spent efficiently? Also, will the plethora of projects - some in the hundreds of millions to billion-dollar range, slated to alleviate traffic in Baton Rouge and New Orleans - actually have that effect?

HB 2 doesn’t just include infrastructure and its repairs, it also features maintenance to government buildings and seed money for legislators to get their local pet projects off the ground.

HB 2 clocked in at $3 billion last year, with only one third of that going toward DOTD and road projects. That figure paints an interesting picture when compared to a $13 billion, and growing, DOTD backlog.

The St. Helena courthouse got a new roof, however.

That’s business-as-usual for Louisiana, and its hard to convince taxpayers an increase would be effective when the plans are, at best, business-as-usual.

Which brings us to the second question, would the projects be effective? The answer: no. New arteries are the name of the game, as I-12 continues to back up every day even after being widened. You have to disperse the crowd over several means of ingress.

The mega-projects do include new entrances into Baton Rouge, but not many.

Improved means of public transportation is another avenue where money should be spent - those other states with high gas taxes also have much improved public systems as compared to Louisiana.

These are just proposals; they must go before the legislature, but it will be difficult for tax payers to approve of such ideas considering the mis-use of funds in the past.

However, if the 2016 session is any indicator, it may not matter what John Q. Taxpayer thinks, anyway.

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EDITORIAL

Federal Packages Bring Little Relief

A new year supposedly brings a fresh outlook on some topics, but one remains very much the same for Livingston Parish and other flood-affected areas across the state.

The outlook for a comprehensive relief package to cover the widespread damages from the March and August flooding remains as bleak as it appeared four months ago.

State Office of Community Development Director Pat Forbes rightfully deemed the first allocation of $438 million “a miniscule amount of money.”

The “down payment” Congress approved in November severely limits the scope of assistance for flood victims. In fact, it seems more like a slap in the face.

Congress gave the go-ahead on an additional $1.2 billion in funding for the state. The amount obviously expands the reach far beyond the $438 million, but it falls considerably short of the $3.2 billion Gov. John Bel Edwards requested.

The allocation limits funds to low-to-moderate income residents. It seems justifiable at first glance, but far less when we take into consideration the extent of damage, which did not discriminate.

The process of funding distribution involves a labyrinth of red tape and brings further delays in the review process by the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development.

It’s all part of the process, but it does no favors for the residents who continue to wait for relief.

Others have moved and did it without government help. It’s not as easy for others, whose situation makes the government the only source for relief assistance – a very uncompromising position.

Gov. Edwards has planned two trips to Washington D.C. for next month, in which he hopes he can secure at least a portion or perhaps the full funding needed for the recovery.

The meager amount of relief funds doled out to the state thus far fuel uncertainty whether we will see additional funding.

Thus far, the funding has been too little. At the rate it’s going, it will soon be too late.

George Smith Defined ‘The Greatest Generation’





JOHN DUPONT
Random Thoughts

One of my all-time favorite books came to mind when I met a long-time Denham Springs resident just over three years ago.

“The Greatest Generation,” the 1998 New York Times best seller by former NBC News anchor Tom Brokaw, elaborated on the sacrifice and work ethic of those who grew up in the Great Depression and went on to fight in World War II.

George Smith, who died last week at age 94, embodied the characteristics of people from the “Greatest Generation” – hard work, loyalty and a fierce devotion to his family and nation.

Smith, who was one of the most highly decorated World War II veterans from Livingston Parish, also knew a thing or two about sacrifice.

He was 21 when he left his wife and newborn child for military duty on Christmas Eve 1942. He spent three years of his life away from them to serve with the U.S. Army Air Corps – a precursor to the Air Force – in the South Pacific during World War II.

His tour of duty took him to the South Atlantic, site of German submarines. It also brought him to Naples, where the Navy escorted them in a trek across the Mediterranean Sea and through the Suez Canal.

Over the course of his stint in the military, he received the Distinguished Flying Cross for bravery, the third highest medal awarded by the military. He received the medal for the number of planes he shot down, as well as for stomping a live bomb out a bomb bay so the plane could land.

I first met George in September 2013, six months after I joined the Livingston Parish News staff. I approached him just before the Rotary Club of Livingston Parish joined forced with the Livingston Parish Veterans Association, Livingston Parish Chamber of Commerce and Fa-Kouri Construction to do a badly needed renovation on his home of 50 years, where he and his wife reared four children.

He had never received much in return for his services in World War II and never asked for it. In the same guise, he did not solicit help on his home, which had fallen into extreme disrepair.

Termites had ravaged panels of the exterior and duct tape held garbage bags over gaping holes in the ceiling to prevent a deluge of rainwater from spilling into his living room.

“It’s a shame veterans have to live like that,” LPVA founder/President Lynn King said at the time.

Smith neither requested nor asked for help, even though the Vacherie native donated much of his life to helping others. He built sidewalks in his hometown, a project which earned him the rank of Eagle Scout – the first time a St. James Parish received the distinction.

He worked a Holsum Bread delivery route for 30 years after he returned home from World War II, but it did not stop him from helping his community.

His acts of service extended past his days in the military. He helped rebuild the First United Methodist Church sanctuary, which had been destroyed in a fire.

“Every day when I got off work, I went there to do carpentry work,” Smith said in an interview.

I saw George several times over the next year when the volunteers carried out the rebuilding of his home. He was humbled and honored when he watched workers passing in and out of his house during the remodeling project.

It was sometimes hard to tell, however, which meant more: The project, or having all the visitors to his home.

He never felt a sense of entitlement. In the same fashion many from his generation lived, he was far more accustomed to giving than receiving.

The later years were tough. He buried his wife and two of his three children, which left only him and his daughter Patti Smith Piers.

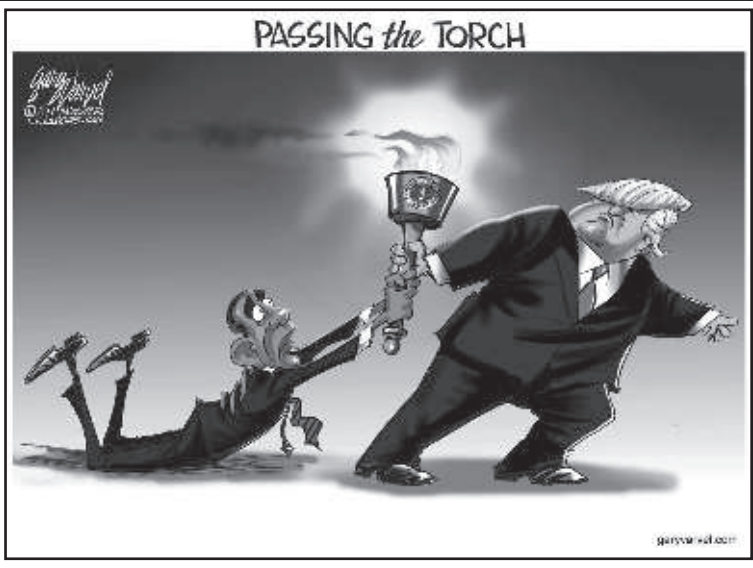
Life dealt George some challenges many could not endure, but he never expressed anger or bitterness during the three-hour stretch we talked for the interview.

Instead, he expressed gratitude. His final words at the close of our interview gave all the proof of what made him and so many from his era “The Greatest Generation.”

“I’ve had a wonderful life, and I helped people because I enjoyed it,” he said. “If I could do all those things all over again, I’d be more than happy to do so – and I wouldn’t want a single nickel for it.”

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Is Liberal Democracy an Endangered Species?





PATRICK BUCHANAN

"As we begin 2017, the most urgent threat to liberal democracy is not autocracy," writes William Galston of The Wall Street Journal, "it is illiberal democracy."

Galston's diagnosis is not wrong, and his alarm is not misplaced.

Yet why does America's great export, liberal democracy, which appeared to be the future of the West if not of mankind at the Cold War's end, now appear to be a church with a shrinking congregation?

Why is liberal democracy losing its appeal?

A front-page story about France's presidential election, in the same day's Journal, suggests an answer.

In the final round next May, the French election is likely to come down to a choice of Marine Le Pen or Francois Fillon.

Le Pen is the "let France be France" candidate of the National Front. Fillon is a traditionalist Catholic from northwest France, home to the martyred resistance of the Revolution -- the legendary Vendee.

Fillon won practicing and nonpracticing Catholics alike by a landslide, and took 3 in 5 votes of those professing other faiths.

Le Pen wants France to secede from the EU and move closer to Vladimir Putin's Russia. The five million Arabs and Muslims currently in France, the prospective arrival of millions more, and recent Islamic terrorist atrocities have all propelled her candidacy.

Fillon succeeded in his primary by identifying himself as a man of Catholic beliefs and values and an opponent of same-sex marriage and abortion. He does not repudiate secularism, but believes that the France that was "the eldest daughter of the church" should also be heard.

Together, what do the Le Pen and Fillon candidacies tell us?

France and Europe may be moving inexorably away from a liberal democratic, de-Christianized and militantly secularist America. If we are the future, less and less do France and Europe appear to want that future.

While our elites welcome the Third World immigration that is changing the face of America, France and Europe are recoiling from and reacting against it. The French wish to remain who and what they are, a land predominantly of one language, one culture, one people.

America preaches that all religions are equal and should be treated equally. France does not seem to share that liberal belief. And just as the Middle East seems to want no more churches or Christians, France and Europe appear to want no more mosques or Muslims.

Where America's elites may celebrate same-sex marriage and "reproductive rights," more and more Europeans are identifying with the social values of Putin's Russia. Pro-Putin parties are surging in Europe. Pro-America parties have been facing losses and defections.

"Because human beings are equal, any form of ethnocentrism that denies their equality must be rejected," writes Galston.

That may well be what liberal democracy commands.

But the 24 nations that emerged from the disintegration of the USSR, Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia were all built on ethnonational foundations -- Croatia and Serbia, Estonia and Latvia, Georgia and Armenia, Azerbaijan and Moldova.

And was it not their unique ethnic identities that caused South Ossetia and Abkhazia to break free of Georgia?

Indeed, if what America has on offer is a liberal democracy of 325 million, which is multiracial, multiethnic, multicultural, multilingual, which celebrates its "diversity," then where in Europe can one find a great party preaching this as the future their country and continent should embrace?

European peoples are largely fleeing from the future America preaches and promises.

Europe's nations are rising up against what liberal democracy has produced in the USA.

Galston contends correctly that, "few leaders and movements in the West dare to challenge the idea of democracy itself."

True, so far. But worldwide, Caesarism appears on the march.

Russia, China, Turkey, Egypt and the Philippines exemplify the new popularity of the strongman state. Western liberals initially cheered the Arab Spring, but what it produced curbed their enthusiasm. Free elections in Palestine and Lebanon produced victories for Hamas and Hezbollah.

Though Galston chastises the Polish and Hungarian governments as illiberal democracies, they seem to remain popular at home.

What, then, does the future hold?

The present crisis of Europe has been produced by the migration of tens of millions of Third World peoples never before assimilated in any European nation, and by the pollution and poisoning of these nations' traditional culture.

This has caused millions to recoil and declare: If this is what liberal democracy produces, then to hell with it.

And if Europe is moving away from what America has become and has on offer, what is there to cause Europeans to turn around and re-embrace liberal democracy? Why not try something else?

In Brexit, the English were voting against the diverse liberal democracy that their capital of Londonistan had become.

Donald Trump's victory represented a rejection of Barack Obama's America. And whether he succeeds, what is there to cause America to look back with nostalgia on the America Obama came to represent?

Our Founding Fathers believed that democracy represented the degeneration of a republic; they feared and loathed it, and felt that it was the precursor of dictatorship. They may have been right again.

Patrick J. Buchanan is the author of the new book "The Greatest Comeback: How Richard Nixon Rose From Defeat to Create the New Majority."

There's A New Party In Louisiana





JEREMY ALFORD
Politics

While you were gathering with family and friends and celebrating the holidays last month, a new political party was very quietly established in Louisiana. It hopes to one day compete with the Republican and Democratic parties, which may be a bit of windmill-tilting, but for now it's being touted as part of a new "independent-minded" movement in the Bayou State.

The paperwork for the Louisiana Independent Party was received by the Secretary of State's Office on Dec. 22. The required documents were filed by party chairman Pat Bergeron, who's best known as a GOP consultant and operative, and party treasurer Bill Bryan, an election attorney who was the Louisiana press secretary for the 1996 Clinton/Gore presidential campaign.

It was a stand-up-and-take-notice move, both of these men shedding their mainline party labels to create the state Independent Party. (As of late last week, Bryan had already made the switch and Bergeron was preparing to do the same.) And it's no joke — the Independent Party is now a recognized party in Louisiana, according to secretary of state spokeswoman Meg Casper.

Why Bryan and Bergeron chose to do so is easy to understand. For starters, many voters have become weary of the partisan struggles in Baton Rouge and Washington. If Republicans and Democrats aren't fighting each other, then they're warring from within their own ranks. But as much as voters complain about this trend, which has fully taken hold in Louisiana, the sentiment rarely if ever shows up in election results.

Voter registration statistics do show a slow trickle of folks pulling away from major party affiliations as the "other" category grows. Last year was an outlier, though, with the Republican Party outpacing "other party" registrations for the first time in recent memory, due in large part to voters wanting to participate in Louisiana's closed presidential primary.

The Democratic Party is the biggest loser when you look at the numbers. From Jan. 1, 2007, to the start of this year, Dems lost 191,000 voters. Republicans picked up about 201,000 new voters during the same timeframe and "other party" registrations were trailing right behind, with an increase of 156,000.

That's enough voters outside of the mainstream political spectrum to swing a major election. Such an upset, however, has never happened in Louisiana and pollsters are quick to note that those with "other" affiliations simply don't vote. Moreover, nonaffiliated voters have never had anywhere to turn. There hasn't been a candidate yet without an "R" or a "D" behind their name who has captured the imagination of this section of the electorate.

Before we go any further, it's worth knowing how this new political party was formed. Former Sen. Rick Gallot passed a law in 2014 that removed a prohibition against an "Independent Party" being established. Among the requirements now is that at least 1,000 voters must be registered with a proposed party before it can be recognized.

When you go to register to vote, you are allowed to pick whichever party you like, and many voters, possibly not knowing that "no party" is an option, have long chosen to be "independent." (There are also the Louisiana Green, Libertarian and Reform parties.) And that's where Bergeron and Bryan saw an opportunity; there were enough "independent" voters already registered to meet the 1,000-voter requirement.

As a result, there are currently 56,000 Independent Party voters on the rolls — even if those same voters believed "independent" would mean "no party." Casper said voters who are now registered as Independent but who do not want to be a part of a recognized party can change their registration to "no party" at GeauxVote.com at any time.

The soonest we might see candidates from this new party emerge is in the fall, since the Independent Party by law has to be in "recognized" status for 90 days before it can play.

Bergeron said he hoped it would grow slowly as a grassroots movement so that a committee can be formed to create a more definitive direction.

Giving voters more choices is always a good thing. Trying to move outside of the policy and political boxes that contain our two-party system is even better sometimes. But it's not going to happen overnight. For a true independent movement to be successful, education and outreach will have to be central in the coming months.

Proponents could also be bolstered by a Legislature that meets in gridlock this legislative year or by statewide elected officials who simply can't get along no matter the issue. Yet, again, it's going to be incredibly difficult.

On this particular front, with the Louisiana Independent Party starting to take baby steps, the most important story will be what happens next. Because it will be the actions of our current elected class that either dooms any such movement or lifts it up.

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CALL & COMMENT

Donald Trump received the third lowest percent of popular votes in American history, ranking him at 55th out of 58 elections, not exactly a presidential mandate. Trump knows it was the Russians and Wikileaks that got him into the White House.

How y'all like them Obamacare rates? He told you he was gonna bring you some of that change. Umm, umm, umm, Barack Hussein Obama.

California Murder Convict Becomes First U.S. Inmate To Have State-Funded Sex Reassignment Surgery: Daughter of victim forced to pay with her tax dollars. There's some of that Democrat social justice for you.

Finally Hollywood liberals want the press to hold politicians accountable. That is unless you're Obama or all the other Democrats.

My favorite Obama moment will be on January 20th when he is no longer president.

Though Trump wasn't my first pick, I think he may be the only one who will be able to tell and expose all the damage Obama and the Democrats have done to our country and the world. The reason I think that is Trump doesn't care about PC. Refreshing.

The Livingston Council on Aging needs to be investigated on so many levels. Starting with the director and even the board members, due to the way the employees are being treated, before the flood and especially after the flood. The director doesn't interact with the seniors like she should. She used to slam the door when she saw them coming. Now she doesn't even come out of the office to visit with them. The board members need to talk to the employees and ask what is going on. They only see what the director wants them to see or know. She is very manipulative to everyone. The board needs to know the truth. After the August 2016 flood, she had the employees working in an unsafe environment. Everything that has happened in a bad way has been blamed on the board. She only takes credit for anything good that happens and she doesn't do it by herself, she has employees that help. She is mean to her employees. So many people see how he is but won't say anything about it. She will like to cover it up. The Livingston Parish community needs to know what kind of person is running the Livingston Council on Aging. The Livingston Council on Aging needs a good look at from top to bottom. There also have been claims of sexual harassment that have been swept under the rug by the director.

OBITUARIES



Dennis 'Grip' Griffin Sr.

Dennis Griffin, Sr. (aka Grip), of Indianapolis, Indiana, departed his life on January 1, 2017, after a short illness. Dennis was born in Indianapolis on July 14, 1944, to the late Ira Griffin, Sr. and Sarah Cooney. He also had resided in Denham Springs, La., during his earlier years from age 2 to his teen years and was raised by his Aunt Willie Mae Griffin who he affectionately called "Mama." Dennis attended West Livingston High School for a while and later moved back to his home town of Indianapolis in 1964 after getting married to Evelyn Williams Griffin, mother of his children. He worked at Bridgeport Brass Company for many years and other jobs in Indianapolis. Dennis is survived by his daughters; Cassandra Griffin and Lisa Griffin Ball, son; Dennis Griffin Jr., grandchildren; Roger Ball Jr., Ashley Ball, Asha Taylor, D'Angelo Griffin and Titus Johnson, great grandchild; Che' Taylor, Sp ecial aunt; Willie Mae Griffin and a host of family and friends. Funeral services will be held at noon on January 14,2017 at Louvenia Funeral Home in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Kenny A. McCaffery

Funeral services for Mr. Kenny A. McCaffery will be 11 a.m. Friday at Church Of God Springfield. Visitation will begin at 9 a.m. until time of the service. Interment will follow at Carter Cemetery under the direction of Church Funeral Services and Crematory. Kenny was born in Hammond on November 18, 1965, and passed from this life on Tuesday January 3, 2017, at North Oaks Medical Center. He was a past resident of Livingston Parish, a member of the Church of God, and a hairdresser with Fantastic Sam's. He is preceded in death by his parents, Houston and Myrtle McKinney McCaffery. He is survived by his companion, Ken Case; siblings, Kathy Crain, and Greg McCaffery; also survived by aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. Arrangements by Church Funeral Services & Crematory, Walker.



Kevin Jewel Robertson

Kevin Jewel Robertson, 62, a native of Central, La., and a resident of Denham Springs, La., passed away December 21, 2016, at Our Lady of the Lake Hospital. He served and defended his country in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. In 2002 he retired from Waste Management due to health reasons after 15 years of employment. He also loved to fish, grow tomatoes and watch LSU football. He will be dearly missed by family and friends. Kevin is survived by his loving and devoted wife of 37 years, Elizabeth "Liz" Robertson, daughters Wendy and her husband Christopher "Chris" Boysha of Denham Springs, La., and Cynthia "Cindy" Robertson and her fiancé Brad Williams of Christiansburg, Va.; brothers and sisters-in-law Stanley "Gene" and Rhonda Marie Robertson of Brusly, La., Mark Robertson, and Rhonda Morgan Robertson of Central, La. He is preceded in death by his parents Jewel and Millicent "Kitty" Robertson, a brother Don Robertson, maternal grandparents Stanley and Dozie Holden, and paternal grandparents John and Martha Shelton Robertson. He was laid to rest on Tuesday, December 27, 2016, in Louisiana National Cemetery, Zachary, La. A very special thank you to Mamie Travis and all of his friends, neighbors, doctors, nurses, and other caregivers that came to love him as we did.



George Dennis Smith Sr.

George Smith, Sr., 94, a native of Vacherie and longtime resident of Denham Springs, died at home Friday, December 30, 2016. Mr. George, known affectionately as "the bread man," delivered Holsum bread to local businesses for 30 years. A decorated WWII veteran, he served as a B-29 Right Gunner in the Army Air Corps, receiving numerous medals, including the Distinguished Flying Cross for bravery. Visitation was from 10 a.m.to noon, followed by a memorial service on Saturday, January 7, at First United Methodist Church, Denham Springs, where he was a faithful member for almost 60 years. Survived by daughter Patti Smith Peairs, grandchildren Chris, Jamie, Michelle, Lonnie and Tracy, and 13 great-grandchildren. Preceded in death by the love of his life, Mable, children George, Jr., Jerry and Connie Smith, grandson Wayne Peairs, parents Edward and Lena Smith, and 10 siblings. Online guest book at www.sealefuneral.com.

Michael L. Triche

A ceremony celebrating the life of Mr. Michael L. Triche will be held at 11 am Saturday at St. Joseph Catholic Church French Settlement with visitation beginning at 9 am until time of the service. Mr. Triche was born on September 11, 1948 and passed from this life on Monday January 2, 2017 at the Southeastern Louisiana War Veterans Home at the age of 68 years. He was a resident of Livingston, a retired carpenter and served in the United States Air Force. He is preceded in death by his mother Edna Trosclair Triche; brother Sidney Triche; daughter, Courtney Triche; and grandson, Reese J. Shaffett. Survivors include his wife, Yvette Triche; mother of his children, Arleen Roper and husband Mike; father Larry Triche and companion Nora Peyregne; daughter Laurie Lobell and Brian; son Ernest Triche; grandchildren Whitney Lobell, Briana Lobell, Noah Shaffett, Lorel House and Gabrielle House; also survived by nieces and nephews. Special thanks to Southeastern LA War Veterans Home and Serenity Hospice for their care and support. Arrangements by Church Funeral Services and Crematory, St. Amant 225-644-9683 www.churchfuneralservices.com

FELONY ARRESTS

LIVINGSTON — The following persons were booked into the Livingston Parish Prison, according to booking records from the Sheriff's office. These records do not reflect innocence or guilt:

Aug. 24

Tanya Williams, 35, 9098 Spring Ridge Drive, Denham Springs, theft, illegal possession of stolen things, simple burglary, possession of marijuana first offense, forgery, Department of Corrections incarceration, three counts parish jail time. No bond.

Randall Smith, 35, 22800 La. 1032, Denham Springs, failure to register, fee not paid, safety belt use; tags indicating exemption. Bond $25,000.

Cody Comeaux, 31, 29303 Linda's Haven Road, aggravated battery. Bond $20,000.

Jennifer Wagley, 37, 44120 La. 42, Prairieville, manufacture, cultivation, distribution, possession with intent to distribute Schedule II controlled dangerous substance, prohibited acts/drug paraphernalia. Bond $50,500.

Aug. 25

Mandy Jontell Nixon, 22, 30202 N. Walker Road, Walker, possession of Schedule IV controlled dangerous substance. Bond $10,000.

Jeremy Bryston Lewis, 21, 26972 La. 22, Springfield, traffic bench warrant fta fta fee, proper equipment required on vehicles, proper equipment required on vehicles; inspection tag required, fugitive. No bond.

Kaylin Medina, 23, 30735 Provision Lane, Denham Springs, possession of Schedule IV controlled dangerous substance, prohibited acts/drug paraphernalia, curfew violation, possession of marijuana first offense. Bond $4,000.

Logan Taylor Arceneaux, 20, 25597 La. 43, Springfield, possession of Schedule IV controlled dangerous substance, prohibited acts/drug paraphernalia, curfew violation, possession of marijuana first offense. Bond $11,500.

Matthew Wilkes, 23, 13642 Hope Haven Drive, Walker, curfew violation, prohibited acts/drug paraphernalia, possession of Schedule II controlled dangerous substance. Bond $11,000.

Angel Moses, 43, 10707 Buddy Ellis Road, Denham Springs, curfew violation, possession of Schedule III controlled dangerous substance, two counts possession of Schedule IV controlled dangerous substance. Bond $30,500.

Kody D. Mills, 30, 23690 Boss McNabb, Livingston, two counts second battery: intentional serious bodily injury, aggravated battery, simple battery, simple criminal damage to property. Bond $41,000.

Eric Richard Morton, 35, 323 Chateau Jon, Denham Springs, curfew violation, manufacture, cultivation, distribution or possession with intent to distribute Schedule II controlled dangerous substance, prohibited acts/drug paraphernalia. Bond $11,000.

Tylor Anthony Hare, 19, 23000 Walker South Road, Walker, probation, curfew violation, resisting an officer, possession of marijuana first offense, prohibited acts/drug paraphernalia. No bond.

Jacob Denson Fisher, 44, 27049 Glascock Lane, Walker, curfew violation, manufacture, cultivation, distribution or possession with intent to distribute Schedule II controlled dangerous substance, prohibited acts/drug paraphernalia. Bond $10,000.

Blake Matthew Dickerson, 30, 2557 Riverview Drive, Denham Springs, curfew violation, tail lamps, possession of Schedule II controlled dangerous substance, prohibited acts/drug paraphernalia. Bond $10,000.

Amber Hill, 33, 24848 Blood River Road, Springfield, curfew violation, possession of Schedule II controlled dangerous substance, prohibited acts/drug parapheranlia. Bond $11,000.

Alice Young, 43, 11486 Lemonwood Drive, Denham Springs, simple battery domestic violence. Bond $500.

Thomas Simmons, 57, 26738 Haynes Settlement Road, Springfield, failure to register,2ndpls conviction, resisting an officer, parole. No bond.

Ryan Cooley, 35, 16118 Monica St., Prairieville, two counts possession of Schedule II controlled dangerous substance, two counts possession of Schedule III controlled dangerous substance, prohibited acts/drug paraphernalia, possession of Schedule I controlled dangerous substance other than marijuana or synthetic. Bond $45,5090.

Frank V. Varuso, 43, 1706 N. Turnbull Drive, Metairie, two counts theft of a firearm, two counts theft. Bond $21,000.

Jessica Harvey, 27, 217 Wesley Drive, Denham Springs, cyberstalking, maximum speed limit, driver must be licensed, maximum speed limit, licensee must give notice of change of address. Bond $6,414.

Trista Tate, 19, 28723 Trappers Run, Albany, two counts theft of a motor vehicle, curfew violation. Bond $1,500.

Harry Noah Boswell, 38, 14611 Clarence St., Walker, domestic abuse battery, proper equipment required on vehicles, operating vehicle with suspended license; other offenses. Bond $2,500.

Dakota B. Dutsch, 24, 31715 Horshoe Road North, Independence, two counts theft of a motor vehicle, curfew violation. Bond $50,000.

Jacob Starns, 22, 25767 Hearthwood Drive, Denham Springs, obstructing public passages, possession of Schedule II controlled dangerous substance. Bond $10,217.

Roy John Hays, 50, 3664 Donaldson Road, Baton Rouge, possession of Schedule II controlled dangerous substance. Bond $10,000.

Juston Montero, 28, 8712 Chippewa St., Denham Springs, possession of Schedule II controlled dangerous substance, possession of marijuana first offense. Bond $10,500.

Lacy Palmer, 25, 9345 East Highway, St. Amant, possession of Schedule II controlled dangerous substance. Bond $2,500.

Luke Wall, 27, 412 Bourque Road, Lafayette, possession of Schedule II controlled dangerous substance, resisting an officer, bicycles; front lamps; side and rear reflectors, safety belt use; tags indicating exemption. Bond $10,175.

Aug. 26

Willard Dugas, 50, 11166 Major Oak Drive, Baton Rouge, two counts possession of Schedule II controlled dangerous substance. Bond $20,000.

Craig Wells, 35, 21460 Shirley Drive, Denham Springs, possession of Schedule II controlled dangerous substance, bicycles; fornt lamps; side and rear reflectors. Bond $10,000.

Patrick Simon, 29, 123 Parkway, Crowley, prohibited acts/drug paraphernalia, possession of Schedule II controlled dangerous substance, theft of goods. Bond $11,000.

Michael Crotwell, 39, 2015 Limewood Drive, Baton Rouge, prohibited acts/drug paraphernalia, possession of Schedule II controlled dangerous substance. Bond $10,000.

Chance Barlow, 19, 10309 E. Brookside Drive, Baton Rouge, fugitive. no bond.

Randall Joseph Leblanc, 34,

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Sheriff's probe into stolen trailer leads to multiple arrests

By Kevin Fambrough
The Livingston Parish News

LIVINGSTON — A Livingston Parish Sheriff's Office investigation into a stolen trailer expanded into a multi-parish probe of a variety of crimes that led to the arrest of 12 people.

Nine people were arrested in Livingston Parish, while two were booked in Ascension Parish. A 12th suspect, being held on unrelated charges in Livingston Parish, faces a detainer from Ascension Parish.

From Dec .14 to Dec. 20, the suspects were arrested on a variety of crimes ranging from to narcotics and possession of stolen property to identity theft and child pornography.

The investigation began in November when the Sheriff's Office sought to find a trailer stolen from a Denham Springs couple, according to Sheriff Jason Ard.

The trailer was being used to store items not damaged by August floodwaters. It contained items of sentimental value and tools, he said.

"I am happy to report that the trailer was recovered," Ard said. "We were also able to recover most of its contents.

"When looking into this case, though, we learned this crime was part of a bigger story," the sheriff said.


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Acting on a tip from burglary detectives with the East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office, a number of agencies joined together to investigate a group of individuals responsible for not only this crime, but several others.

Joining the Sheriff's Office were the Walker Police Department, East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office, Baton Rouge Police Department, Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office and Vermilion Parish Sheriff's Office.

"We are blessed to have the spirit of cooperation that we do in law enforcement," Ard said.

"Our goal was to get answers for those victims in our parishes. Together, we were able to do that," he said.

This investigation is continuing, the sheriff said, and more charges are possible against the 12 suspects.

More arrests also are pending, he said.

One state agency and three other parishes have issued detainers for four of the suspects on charges in their jurisdictions,

The 12 persons arrested and the charges they face are:

Jeremiah Wallace, 39, 28570 Gaylord Road, Walker, manufacture, cultivation, distribution, possession with intent to distribute Schedule I CDS, two counts manufacture, cultivation, distribution, possession with intent to distribute Schedule II CDS, illegal possession of stolen things, theft, forgery, unauthorized use of "access card" as theft, identity theft, illegal transmission of monetary funds, theft (felony). Bond $143,500.

Owen Rea, 35, 378 Maxine Drive, Baton Rouge, simple criminal damage to property, two counts illegal possession of stolen things, three counts possession of Schedule II control dangerous substances, three counts theft, two counts unauthorized use of "access card" as theft, parking spaces for certain disabled persons. Bond $97,000.

Ascension Parish has issued a detainer for Rea.

Clint Sarvaunt, 47, 14653 Stoneberg, Baton Rouge, 10 counts pornography involving juveniles, three counts illegal possession of stolen things, possession of Schedule II controlled dangerous substances, possession of Schedule IV controlled dangerous substances, prohibited acts/drug paraphernalia and disturbing the peace. Bond was set at $1,027,500.

The state Office of Probation and Parole, East Baton Rouge Parish and Vermilion parishes have issued detainers on Sarvaunt.

Pamela J. Nirk, 46, 15398 Braud Road, Prairieville, unauthorized use of access card as theft, theft (misdemeanor), traffic bench warrant (failure to appear). Bond $1,477.

East Baton Rouge Parish has issued a detainer for Nirk.

Brandy Kadak, 25, 28570 Gaylord Road, Walker, principal to identify theft, principal to false accounting (false financial statement). Bond was set at $25,500.

Todd Clark, 27, 28570 Gaylord Road, Walker, accessory after the fact: aiding felon, letting a disorderly place. Bond was set at $25,000.

Samuel Hauser, 48, 28570 Gaylord Road, Walker, accessory after the fact: aiding in a felony. Bond was set at $25,000.

Ashley N. Hauser, 31, 28670 Gaylord Road, Walker, accessory after the fact: aiding in a felony, keeping disorderly place/used for illegal purposes. Bond was set at $25,500.

Amanda Lamuth, 36, 31855 La. 16, Denham Springs, issued summons for misdemeanor theft.

Two of the 12 were booked into the Ascension Parish Jail:

Henry Christian, 48, 14269 Oak Meadows, Gonzales, theft (more than $750 but less than $1,500), illegal possession of stolen things, two counts failure to appear (bench warrant). Bond was set at $10,000.

Judy Himel, 48, 14269 Oak Meadows, Gonzales, theft (more than $750 but less than $1,500), illegal possession of stolen things, two counts failure to appear (bench warrant). Bond was set at $10,000.

Ascension Parish has issued a detainer for Cody Terry, 35, 17744 N. Achord, Baton Rouge, who is in the Livingston Parish Detention Center on unrelated charges. The news release did not list those charges.

Terry faces negligent homicide hit-and-run driving and other charges for a December crash on Interstate 12 that left a Texas woman dead. Bond on those charges is $51,434.00.

Man arrested after high-speed chase in Walker

By Kevin Fambrough
The Livingston Parish News

WALKER — The Walker Police Department opened the New Year with a routine traffic stop that turned into a vehicle pursuit and finished as an arrest involving 14 charges, 5 drug related.

The incident also highlighted the issue of high-speed pursuits in residential areas.

"Vehicle pursuits are inherently dangerous," newly elected Police Chief David Addison said.

"Officer (Clint) Walker did a very good job of maintaining visibility of the fleeing vehicle, advising our other units of the location of the pursuit and noting numerous traffic violations committed by the suspect, while exercising the proper caution required under the circumstances."

The mid-morning New Year's Day incident began on Walker South Road after an officer stopped a man driving a green Dodge pickup for a traffic infraction, said Capt. John Sharp, public information officer.

"While patrolling along Walker South Road near Brian Park Drive ... Officer Clint Walker noticed the vehicle in front of him had a tail light that was not functioning," Sharp said.

The motorist turned onto Brian Park Drive without signaling, causing the officer to signal for the man to pull over, he said, and the vehicle turned into the parking lot of a nearby business and stopped.

"As Officer Walker exited his police car and approached the vehicle, the motorist suddenly accelerated out of the parking lot and headed west on Brian Park Drive at a high rate of speed," Sharp said.

"Despite Officer Walker's use of his emergency lights and siren, the motorist displayed no signs of stopping," he said.

The fleeing motorist traveled down Brian Park to Pleasant Ridge Drive, then to Pendarvis Lane, where he turned north toward Florida Boulevard.


Harbin

"Officer Walker reported that the motorist was traveling at speeds of up to 60 mph, ignoring stop signs and driving left of the center line of the roadway, endangering human life," Sharp said.

"During the pursuit, the motorist forced several vehicles off the roadway in his attempt to escape, indicating an indifference for the potential of harming others and causing damage to property," the captain said.

Walker police officers blocked the southbound lane of Pendarvis at Florida Boulevard to limit traffic onto Pendarvis.

"We did not want additional traffic on Pendarvis, heading into the path of the pursuit," Chief Addison said.

"We were also concerned that the suspect would reach Florida Boulevard and turn west toward Denham Springs where the higher traffic volume would increase the chance of a traffic accident," Addison said.

"Without sufficient information concerning the suspect's motivation to elude capture, we could not justify blockading Pendarvis completely," the police chief added.

"Doing so would have provided the suspect with no option other than to surrender or attempt to run through the barricade and the risk that such a scenario presented to other motorists, our officers, our vehicles and to the suspect was too significant to justify that level of force, given the circumstances."

How to end the chase safely was resolved when the suspect ran off the road and struck a culvert near Florida Boulevard.

The suspect "entered a curve where the road design, combined with the suspect's excessive speed and a wet road surface, caused the suspect to lose control of his truck and leave the roadway," Sharp said.

The truck hit a culvert, leaving it inoperable. The suspect fled on foot, but Walker police officers chased him and after a brief struggle, he was taken into custody.

The suspect was identified as Joshua Harbin, 32, of Independence.

"While searching Mr. Harbin's truck, our officers found 0.7 grams of marijuana, 3.1 grams of methamphetamine in bags packaged for sale, 29 hypodermic syringes with needles and a set of scales of the type generally used for weighing narcotics," Sharp said.

Harbin was processed at the Walker Police Department, then transported to the Livingston Parish Detention Center, where his bond was set at $110,053.

"Mr. Harbin was charged with possession of marijuana, possession with intent to distribute Schedule II controlled dangerous substances (methamphetamine), felony aggravated obstruction of a public roadway, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of hypodermic needle syringes (29) and simple possession of methamphetamine," Sharp said.

He also faces charges of criminal damage to property, no proof of insurance, no driver's license, failure to signal, functioning tail lamps required, failure to observe stop signs, no vehicle registration required, and improper lane usage, the captain said.

Harbin also had two outstanding warrants for his arrest, one for theft and the other for non-support, Sharp added.

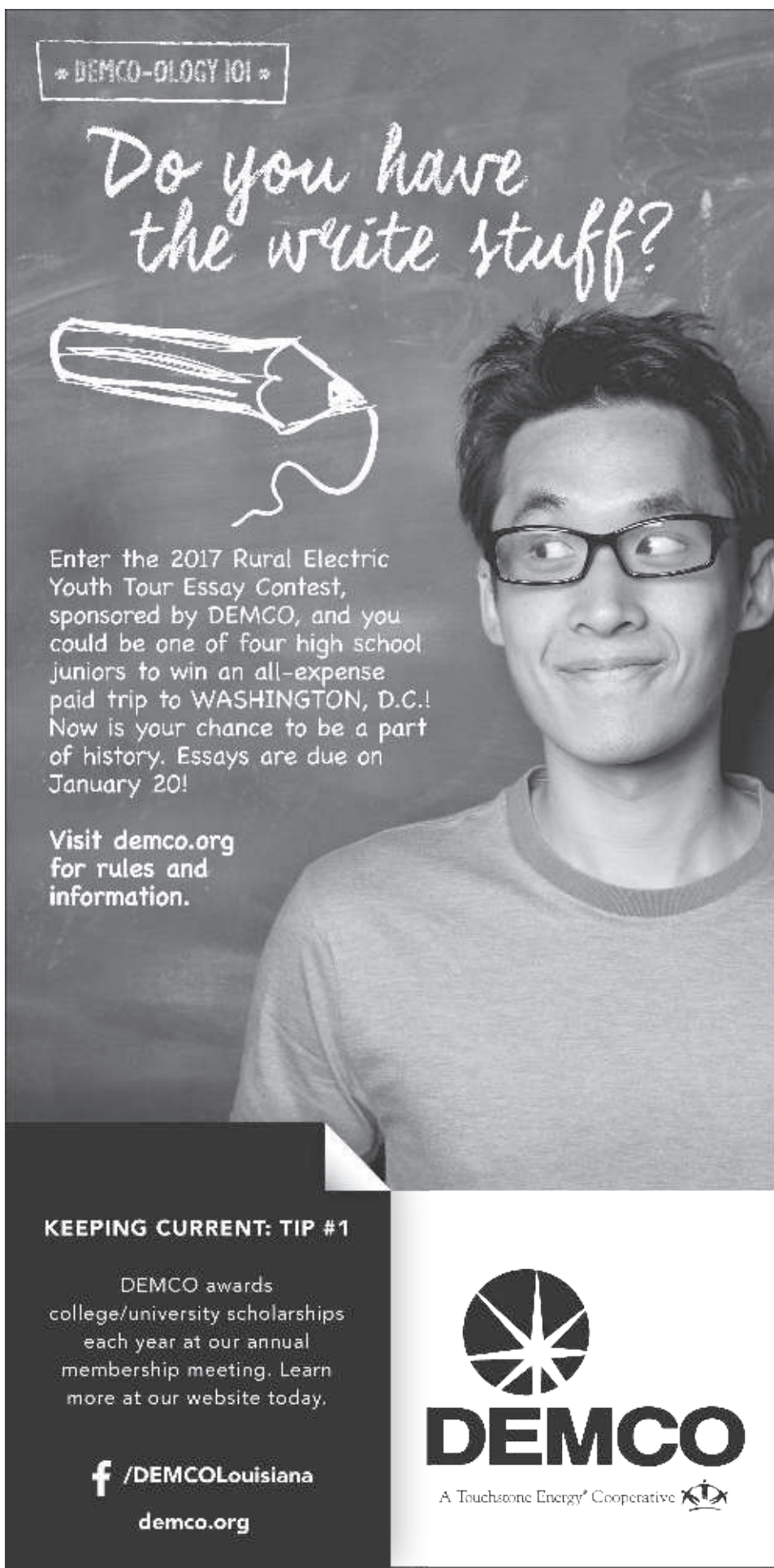
"Additional charges are expected, Sharp added.

Felony Arrests

From A8

8469 Sharee Place, Denham Springs, possession of Schedule I controlled dangerous substance other than marijuana or synthetic, possession of Schedule II controlled dangerous substance, possession of Schedule III controlled dangerous substance, prohibited acts/drug paraphernalia. Bond $30,000.

Tracy L. Delaville, 48, 8718 Violet St., Denham Springs, possession of Schedule II controlled dangerous substance, possession of Schedule III controlled dangerous substance, prohibited acts/drug paraphernalia, curfew violation. Bond $21,000.



Springfield-Albany split parish rivalry doubleheader. B13.

FRENCH SETTLEMENT-MAUREPAS BOYS BASKETBALL

Well-timed turnaround

Ignited by Jackson LeBourgeois, FSHS cruises past feisty Wolves

By Randy Rosetta
The Livingston Parish News

MAUREPAS — Every team has at least one player that a coach and teammates know will do something whenever a game starts to get a little tight.

Not necessarily the best player on the team, and sometimes not even a play that shows up in the final statistics. When it happens to be a guy who fills both those roles, all the better.

French Settlement was in a battle against Maurepas last Thursday that suddenly got much more interesting when the Wolves scored six of the first nine points after halftime to inch within a point.

Then Jackson LeBourgeois stepped to the forefront and that was just what the Lions needed.

With a jolt of energy here, a deflection there, a defensive stop on one end and a driving step-back jumper to finish a flurry, LeBourgeois ignited game-turning burst as FSHS cruised past Maurepas 56-47.

After the Wolves got too close for comfort at 29-28, the Lions reeled off a 11-1 surge, with LeBourgeois' little things and Dawson Marlow's five points as the backbone.

When LeBourgeois drove for one of several step-back jumpers off the dribble, French Settlement was ahead 40-29 and on its way to a needed win heading into District 9-2A play.

"This was very important for us because we needed some momentum going into district," said LeBourgeois, who logged 13 points, 5 rebounds and 5 assists. "We needed to

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SCOREBOARD

Jan. 5
GIRLS
Doyle 47, Live Oak 46
French Settlement 55, Maurepas 24
BOYS
Springfield 66, Lakeshore 54
French Settlement 56, Maurepas 47

Jan. 6
GIRLS
DSHS at Albany, ppd.
Plaquemine at Walker, ppd.
Maurepas at Catholic-Point Coupee, ppd.
BOYS
DSHS 62, Tara 40
Lutcher at Live Oak, ppd.
Walker at St. Michael, ppd.
Maurepas at Catholic-Point Coupee, ppd.

Monday
BOYS
Walker 64, Woodlawn 37
Albany 43, Doyle 38

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CRYSTAL LOGIUDICE | THE NEWS

French Settlement's Jackson LeBourgeois looks for a driving lane past Maurepas' Cade Duplessis last Thursday. The Lions beat the Wolves 56-47. For photo galleries of the boys' and girls' games, go to LivingstonParishNews.com

ALBANY-DOYLEBOYS BASKETBALL



CRYSTAL LOGIUDICE | THE NEWS

Albany's Matthew McClain (4) drives the ball down the court past Doyle guard Tristan Jones (2) on Monday. The Hornets edged the Tigers 43-38. Go to LivingstonParishNews.com for a full photo gallery.

Young crew sparks Albany to narrow victory over Doyle

By Jason Russell
The Livingston Parish News

LIVINGSTON — Depending on standout guard Sean Sykes to carry the team offensively has been the norm for Albany this season, but it's the other Hornets that carry the load behind the scenes that usually help get the job done for the Hornets.

That was the case for Albany on Monday afternoon as the Hornets held on for a 43-38 win over Doyle.

Sykes, the Hornets' only senior, again was the star for Albany on offense, scoring a game-high 22 points. But it was the play of the freshmen and sophomores on defense and on the boards that keyed the win.

Sophomore center Tyler Quamme had 9 rebounds and 3 points, freshman Brayden Davis grabbed 6 rebounds and scored 8 points and sophomore Damien McAlister had two big 3-pointers to lead the way.

Albany coach Chris Carter said it was nice to see the young players fill their roles in the win.

"It's been a different (young player) every night to step up and contribute," Carter said. "I'm proud of our boys and now we have some momentum headed into district."

Davis may have been the biggest unsung hero in the game, as many of his rebounds came among the Doyle big men underneath the basket and he also had a steal and a block.

Davis was quick to give credit to the other players on his team.

"We played as a team and played good defense to keep them at a reasonable score," Davis said. "My boy Sean knocked them down to get us the win.

"We're looking now to get going in district."

The two teams played close the entire fourth quarter after Doyle tied the game just 45 seconds into the frame on Tristan Jones' basket to knot the score, 33-33. Neither team led by more than two until the final minute.

Jones hit a basket with 1:27 remaining to give Doyle its final lead at 38-37, but Albany retook the lead on Sykes' two free throws with 1:06 to play.

Davis then blocked Jones' shot with 32 seconds remaining, knocking the ball off Jones' leg and out of bounds to give the Hornets the ball back.

Davis said the block may have been the best stat of the game for him.

"It felt good to get that one at the end," he said.

Sykes was fouled and hit two more free throws to give Albany a 41-38 lead and Doyle called timeout to set up a potential game-tying final play.

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WALKER BOYS SOCCER

Wildcats, Cubs battle to a taut 1-1 standoff

By David Gray
The Livingston Parish News

DATELINE — With 5 minutes left before halftime Tuesday night, Kolbe David saw Walker teammate Albert Kalaj dribbling up the field. He knew where the ball was going next.

"I saw Albert come up the right sideline and knew he was going to pass it to me," David said. "As soon as he did, it was mine."

David caught up to Kalaj's well-placed pass in front of the goal and was able to head it in, breaking the scoreless match between the Wildcats and University High. His goal would've been enough for a win, if not for a defensive collapse a few minutes later.



David

David's goal on a header in the 35th minute of play was cancelled out by a U-High goal in the final seconds before halftime as the Wildcats and the Cubs played to a 1-1 split in an unexpected match at Wildcat Stadium.

Originally scheduled to be played at U-High, the game had to be relocated to Walker after a rain-filled New Year's weekend in Baton Rouge made the Cubs' grass field unplayable.

But the Wildcats' turf surface wasn't entirely immune from all effects of the rain, and neither were the teams playing on it.



Kalaj

"Balls just skid off the

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LIVE OAK WRESTLING



SUBMITTED BY MATTHEW CHENEVERT

Eagles sweep Cardinal Duals

Live Oak's Joshua Sistrunk gains an edge on his opponent on Saturday at the Cardinal Duals. The Eagles swept four head-to-head matches to win the event. See LivingstonParishNews.com for a full photo gallery.

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

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One (1) certain lot or parcel of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all of the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining situated in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, in that subdivision known as WOODCREST SUBDIVISION, PART I, and designated on the official plan thereof, on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, as LOT NUMBER SEVEN (7), said subdivision, said lot having such measurements and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes as are more particularly described on said subdivision map.

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IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY, N.A. AS SUCCESSOR TO JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR RESIDENTIAL ASSET MORTGAGE PRODUCTS, INC., MORTGAGE ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-RS3
VERSUS NO. 148251
DAVID PAUL DAVIS AND KAROLINE DAVIS

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of APRIL 27, 2015; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
DAVID PAUL DAVIS
KAROLINE DAVIS

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

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That certain lot or parcel of land, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anyway appertaining situated in Section 47, Township 6 South, Range 3 East, G.L.D., Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, and more particularly described as Lot Thirty Five (35) of Wildwood Subdivision, Second Filing, according to the official survey prepared by Alex Theriot, Jr., dated March 27, 1973 along with noted dedications and revisions thereon, attached hereto and made part hereof. Said lot having such bearings and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes and buildings line restrictions of record and as shown on the official subdivision plat.

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100% OF PURCHASE PRICE SHALL BE PAID IN CASH AT MOMENT OF ADJUDICATION.

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NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC
VERSUS NO. 152183
TINA GAMBINO A/K/A TINA MARIE GAMBINO

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of MAY 13, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

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Defendants.

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A certain tract or parcel of ground, together with all buildings and improvements situated thereon and thereunto belonging, situated in the Section 33, Township 5 South, Range 5 East, Livingston Parish, Louisiana on a plan of survey made by Alvin Fairburn & Associates, Inc. dated October 24, 2002 and recorded in Entry #00506229 of

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TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
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VANDERBILT MORTGAGE AND FINANCE, INC.
VERSUS NO. 153565
VICKIE L. MCDONALD A/K/A VICKIE WILSON MCDONALD AND DANNY D. MCDANELL

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of OCTOBER 25, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

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2002 Clayton Pinchurst mobile home bearing serial number CSS003919TXAB immobolized onto and including one (1) certain lot or parcel of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all of the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining situated in the Parish of Livingston, State of LA, in that subdivision known as Falcon Heights and designated on the official plan thereof, on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of the Parish of Livingston, State of LA, as Lot Number Forthy Eight (48) said subdivision, said lot having such measurements and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes are more particularly described on said subdivision map. See COB 770 page 108.

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TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
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BANK OF AMERICA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, TRUSTEE, MORTGAGE ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2007-RP4
VERSUS NO. 124716
MARLENA TAYLOR AND DANIEL TAYLOR

Under and by virtue of a Writ of FIERI FACIAS issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of JANUARY 20, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

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A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND SITUATED IN SECTION 58, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 2 EAST, GREENSBURG LAND DISTRICT, LIVINGSTON PARISH, LOUISIANA, PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE NORTH LINE OF JULIA STREET AND THE WEST BOUNDARY LINE OF THE EUGENE LOCKHART PROPERTY (BEING THE BOUNDARY LINE BETWEEN LOCKHART AND LOBEL); THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG THE WEST BOUNDARY OF SAID LOCKHART PROPERTY TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SULLIVAN STREET AND CORNER; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG THE SOUTH SIDE OF SULLIVAN STREET FOR A DISTANCE OF 125 FEET AND CORNER; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG A LINE PARALLEL TO THE WEST BOUNDARY LINE OF LOCKHART PROPERTY TO THE NORTH SIDE OF JULIA STREET AND CORNER; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG THE NORTH SIDE OF JULIA STREET FOR A DISTANCE OF 125 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
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WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
VERSUS NO. 153578
SUSAN C. KRAUSE AND IDA LEE MCMAHON

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One (1) certain lot or parcel of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all of the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenance and advantages thereunto belonging or in anyway appertaining, situated in that subdivision in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, known as WOODLAND CROSSING SUBDIVISION, FIFTH FILING, a subdivision situated in Sections 12 and 13, Township 7 South, Range 3 East, Greensburg Land District of Louisiana, Livingston Parish, Louisiana, the plat of said subdivision being shown on Revised Final Plat of Woodland Crossing Fifth Filing, Book 66, Page 127, Entry 614519, recorded in Livingston Parish, Louisiana more particularly described as LOT NUMBER 471, said subdivision; said lot having such measurements and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes as shown on the official recorded subdivision map; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

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TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
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REVERSE MORTGAGE SOLUTIONS, INC.
VERSUS NO. 139679
JAMES G. ODOM

Under and by virtue of a Writ of FIERI FACIAS issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of SEPTEMBER 26, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

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One (1) certain lot or parcel of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all of the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, in that subdivision known as Willow Bend Subdivision, and designated on the official plan thereof, on file and of record in the Office of Clerk and Recorder of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, as Lot Number Twenty-Three (23), said subdivision, said lot having such measurements and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes as are more particularly described on said subdivision map; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

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GATEWAY MORTGAGE GROUP, LLC
VERSUS NO. 151502
RUFUS WILLIAMS A/K/A RUFUS SIMON WILLIAMS, JR

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RUFUS WILLIAMS A/K/A RUFUS SIMON WILLIAMS, JR

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One (1) certain lot or parcel of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all of the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, in that subdivision known as SOUTH POINT, FIRST FILING, and designated on the official plan thereof, on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, as LOT 57, said subdivision, said lot having such measurements and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes and restrictions as are more particularly shown on said map; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

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SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

CHARLES LYNCHARD AND INA TOLER LYNCHARD
VERSUS NO. 149442
BRYAN KEITH LELEUX AND JENNIFER LEE COURTNEY LELEUX

Under and by virtue of a Writ of FIERI FACIAS issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of OCTOBER 19, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
BRYAN KEITH LELEUX
JENNIFER LEE COURTNEY LELEUX

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

ONE (1) CERTAIN ACRE or parcel of ground, together with all the buildings and improvement thereon, and all the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in Section 24, T-6-S, R-3-E, G.L.D., Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Commence at the Southeast corner of the Southwest quarter of said Section 24, and run north 89 deg. 15 min. West 292.9 feet; thence run North 02 deg. 22 min. West 91.2 feet; thence North 06 deg. 01 min. East 85.6 feet; thence run North 09 deg. 55 min. East 32 feet; thence run North 89 deg. 15 min. West for 458.4 feet; thence run North 88 deg. 05 min. West for 229.2 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING for TRACT "B": Thence run North 09 deg. 55 min. East for 190.0 feet; thence run North 88 deg. 05 min. West for 229.2 feet and corner; thence run South 09 deg. 55 min. West for 190.0 feet and corner; thence run South 88 deg. 05 min. East for 229.02 feet back to the Point of Beginning, all according to a map by Alex Theriot Jr., L.S., dated January 31, 1976.

The municipal address is 13220 Whit Holden Road, Walker, LA 70785.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

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Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day NOVEMBER 17, 2016.

Attorney: BARTLEY P. BOURGEOIS

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SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

U.S.BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO BANK OF AMERICA NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR RESIDENTIAL ASSET MORTGAGE PRODUCTS, INC., MORTGAGE ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-RP4
VERSUS NO. 141381
MARK BUECHE AND RONNIE BUECHE

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of MAY 31, 2013; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
MARK BUECHE
RONNIE BUECHE

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

property, to-wit:

A certain piece or portion of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all of the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, to-wit: A certain 2.10 acre tract of land, located in Section 27, T7S, R3E, G.L.D., Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana and being more specifically described as follows: From the Northwest corner of the Southwest quarter, go South 70 deg. 42 min. East a distance of 2,822.1 feet for point of beginning; thence proceed South 00 deg. 43 min West a distance of 405.67 feet and corner; thence proceed South 79 deg. 37 min. West a distance of 221.6 feet and corner; thence proceed North 1 deg. 10 min. East a distance of 445.1 feet and corner; thence proceed North 89 deg. 50 min. East a distance of 213.93 feet back to the point of beginning, and as per plat of survey by Alex Theriot, Jr., C.E., dated June 7, 1971 and revised in June 1971 and again on February 21, 1972; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

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LESS AND EXCEPT:

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One certain lot or parcel of ground, together with all buildings and improvements thereon, located in Section 27, Township 7, Range 3 East, Livingston Parish, Louisiana, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Start at the Northwest corner of the Southwest quarter of Section 27, T7S, R3E, thence South 70 degrees 42' East 2821.4 feet

to point of beginning; thence South 89 degrees 50' West 50 feet and corner; thence North 01 degrees 10' East 50 feet and corner; thence North 89 degrees 50' East 50 feet and corner; thence South 01 degrees 10' West 50 feet back to point of beginning.

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Being the same property acquired by RONNIE W/O/A MARK BUECHE by act dated 02/15/00 recorded in COB 760, FOLIO 449.

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Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day NOVEMBER 17, 2016.

Attorney: HERSCHEL C. ADCOCK, JR.

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Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

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SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
VERSUS NO. 147723
RANDY C. CARTER A/K/A RANDY CLAY CARTER AND TONI LYNN MCINNIS CARTER

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of MARCH 3, 2015; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
RANDY C. CARTER A/K/A RANDY CLAY CARTER
TONI LYNN MCINNIS CARTER

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

One (1) certain piece or portion of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all of the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, in that subdivision known as Brown Road Acres Subdivision, Second Filing, and designated on the offical plan thereof, on file and of record in the Office of the Clerk and Recorder of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, as Lot Number One Hundred (100), said subdivision, said lot having such measurements and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes as are more particularly described on said subdivision map; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITHOUT the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day NOVEMBER 18, 2016.

Attorney: JASON SMITH

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Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

U.S. BANK TRUST, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR LSF9 MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST
VERSUS NO. 149163
DONALD E. HINSON AND REBECCA S. HINSON

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of JULY 21, 2015; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
DONALD E. HINSON
REBECCA S. HINSON

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town

RIGHTS, WAYS, PRIVILEGES, SERVITUDES, APPURTENANCES AND ADVANTAGES THEREUNTO BELONGING OR IN ANYWISE APPERTAINING, SITUATED IN THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON, STATE OF LOUISIANA, IN THAT SUBDIVISION KNOWN AS SUMMER BREEZE ESTATES, AND DESIGNATED ON THE OFFICIAL PLAN THEREOF, ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK AND RECORDER OF THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON, STATE OF LOUISIANA, AS LOTS NUMBERS 43 AND 44, SAID SUBDIVISION, SAID LOTS HAVING SUCH MEASUREMENTS AND DIMENSIONS AS ARE MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON SAID SUBDIVISION MAP. TAX MAP OR PARCEL ID NO.: 0441543, TAX MAP OR PARCEL ID NO.: 0441550

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITHOUT the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

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Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day NOVEMBER 18, 2016.

Attorney: RADER JACKSON

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
VERSUS NO. 148679
MILEY, DONALD ROY

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of JUNE 4, 2015; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
MILEY, DONALD ROY

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

TWO (2) CERTAIN LOTS OR PARCELS OF GROUND, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in that subdivision of the Parish of LIVINGSTON, State of Louisiana, known as MILEY ESTATES, FIRST FILING, and being designated on the official subdivision map, on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder for said parish and state, as LOT NUMBERS EIGHT (8) AND NINE (9), said subdivision; said lot having such measurements and dimensions as shown on said map.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day DECEMBER 1, 2016.

Attorney: NICHOLAS GREST

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Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

DITECH FINANCIAL LLC F/K/A GREEN TREE SERVICING LLC
VERSUS NO. 153297
BRYAN BARRETT

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of OCTOBER 11, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
BRYAN BARRETT

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

One certain lot or parcel of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all of the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereon belonging or anywise appertaining, situated in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, in that subdivision known as Rolling Meadow, and being designated on the official plan of said subdivision, on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of said Parish and State, as Lot Number Thirty-One (31), said subdivision, said lot having such measurements and dimensions as shown on said subdivision map.

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Having a municipal address of: 24561 Fair Weather Drive, Denham Springs, LA 70726.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

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Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day DECEMBER 2, 2016.

Attorney: RICHARD A. ROZANSKI

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DISTRICT 4-5A GIRLS BASKETBALL



HASKELL WHITTINGTON I THE NEWS

Denham Spring High's Caroline Taylor drives in for a shot against St. Joseph's last week. The Lady Jackets topped the Red Stickers 47-31. For a full photo gallery, go to LivingstonParishNews.com

Lady Jackets roll past St. Joe's behind defense, big 3rd quarter

Staff report
The Livingston Parish News

BATON ROUGE — Steady defense and a productive third quarter were the right mix for the Denham Springs High girls on Tuesday in a 47-31 victory at St. Joseph's.

The Lady Jackets (16-4) made every shot and possession a challenge for the Red Stickers and got balanced scoring to cruise to the victory.

Caroline Taylor led DSHS with 12 points, Tremeeka Spikes added 10 and Christina Canale chimed in with 9 points.

Taylor was busy in the third quarter with 7 points as the Lady Jackets outscored St. Joe's (6-11) 17¬-7 to expand on a 24-15 halftime lead.

DSHS 47, ST. JOSEPH'S 31

DSHS	**11**	**13**	**17**	**6**	**--**	**47**
St. Joe's	**9**	**6**	**7**	**9**	**--**	**31**

DSHS (47) -- Christina Canale 4 0-2 9, Caroline Taylor 4 3-5 12, Kamryn King 0 0-0 0, Tremeeka Spikes 5 0-0 10, Maia Robinson 3 1-5 7, Jayley Clouatre 0 2-4 2, Desiree Jones 2 1-2 5, Payton Chustz 1 0-2 2. **Totals 19 7-20 47.**

St. Joseph's (31) -- Ally Lutgring 1 3-4 6, Emma Callegan 1 0-0 2, Elise Caruso 2 0-0 5, Ella Barhorst 2 0-0 4, Julia Welsh 3 0-0 7, Madison Henderson 0 0-0 0, Tori Collier 3 0-0 7, Lindsey Lutgring 0 0-0 0. **Totals 12 3-4 31.**

3-point goals -- DSHS 2 (Canales 1, Taylor 1), St. Joe's 4 (A.Lutgring, Caruso, Welsh, Collier). **Total fouls --** DSHS 7, St. Joe's 14. **Records:** DSHS 16-4, St. Joe's 6-11.

Lady Eagles split pair of games

Staff report
The Livingston Parish News

LIVINGSTON — If Live Oak and Doyle were looking for one last stern test before their district seasons began, consider that search successful.

The Lady Eagles and Lady Tigers squared off last Thursday and battled down to the wire before Doyle prevailed 47-46.

Jessica Nesom capped a 17-point night with 7 points in the fourth quarter as Doyle (14-9) climbed back from a rough third quarter to edge the Lady Eagles (16-7).

Presley Wascom led LOHS with 21 points and Dijone Flowers added 17. The Lady Eagles were in control in the second and third quarters, scoring 17 in each, to seize a 41-35 advantage. But LOHS managed only five points in the last 8 minutes.

Madison Watts added 15 points for Doyle, 9 on three 3-pointers.

DOYLE 47, LIVE OAK 46

Live Oak	**7**	**17**	**17**	**5**	**--**	**46**
Doyle	**14**	**12**	**9**	**12**	**--**	**47**

Live Oak (46) -- Harmony Johnson 2 2-4 6, Carson Felder 0 0-0 0, Zyriah Pink 1 0-0 2, Dijone Flowers 6 4-4 17, Presley Wascom 7 5-5 21, Jamie Ellenbass 0 0-0 0, Haleigh Longmire 0 0-0 0, Madison Peoples 0 0-0 0. **Totals 16 11-13 46.**

Doyle (47) -- Elise Jones 1 2-4 4, Madison Watts 6 0-0 15, Grace Wolfe 3 3-5 9, Jessica Nesom 7 3-5 17, Sydney Taylor 0 0-0 0, Morgan Blades 0 0-0 0, Meghan Watson 1 0-0 2. **Totals 18 8-14 47.**

3-point goals -- Live Oak 3 (Wascom 2, Flowers 1), Doyle 3 (Watts 3). **Total fouls --** Live Oak 12, Doyle 15. **Fouled out --** Nesom. **Records:** Live Oak 16-7, Doyle 14-9.

Live Oak 53, Franklinton 47

WATSON -- Live Oak beat Franklinton 53-47 on Jan. 3 as Wascom poured in 23 points and Flowers added 17.

The Lady Eagles wiggled free from the Lady Demons in the second quarter, outscoring them 14-7 as Flowers notched 10 points, including a pair of 3-pointers.

LIVE OAK 53, FRANKLINTON 47

Franklinton	**15**	**7**	**12**	**13**	**--**	**47**
Live Oak	**16**	**14**	**15**	**8**	**--**	**53**

Franklinton (47) -- India Dickerson 3 0-0 8, Jalyn Bickham 1 0-0 3, Danaria Magee 6 3-7 15, Kaniya Dillon 6 0-0 12, Hayle Davidson 2 2-2 6, Jada Thompson 1 0-0 3. **Totals 19 5-9 47.**

Live Oak (53) -- Harmony Johnson 3 1-4 7, Carson Felder 2 0-0 4, Zyriah Pink 0 2-2 2, Dijone Flowers 6 3-4 17, Presley Wacom 9 2-4 23, Jamie Elenbaas 0 0-1 0, Haleigh Longmire 0 0-0 0, Madison Peoples 0 0-0 0, Sophia Foster 0 0-0 0, Aislynn White 0 0-0 0. **Totals 20 8-14 53.**

3-point goals -- Franklinton 4 (Dickerson 2, Bickham, Thompson), Live Oak (Wascom 3, Flowers 2). **Total fouls --** Franklinton 13, Live Oak 10. **Fouled out --** Magee, Felder. **Records:** Franklinton 8-10, Live Oak 16-6.

SCHEDULE

Thursday
BOYS
Walker at Dutchtown, 7:30 p.m.

Friday
GIRLS
Pope John Paul II at French Settlement, 5 p.m.
Amite at Albany, 6 p.m.
Springfield at St. Helena, 6 p.m.
STA at Doyle, 6:30 p.m.
Maurepas at Family Christian, 6:30 p.m.
Scotlandville at DSHS, 7 p.m.
Central at Live Oak, 7 p.m.
BOYS
DSHS at Dunham, 6:30 p.m.
PJP II at French Settlement, 6 :30 p.m.
Amite at Albany, 7 p.m.
Catholic High at Walker, 7:30 p.m.
STA at Doyle, 7:30 p.m.
Springfield at St. Helena, 7:30 p.m.
Maurepas at Family Christian, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday
GIRLS
Walker vs. Zachary, 2:30 p.m. (At Xavier University)

Jan. 17
GIRLS
LSD at Maurepas, 5 p.m.
Independence at Albany, 6 p.m.
Mt. Hermon at Doyle, 6 p.m.
Springfield at French Settlement, 6:30 p.m.
Live Oak at DSHS, 7 p.m.
Central at Walker, 7 p.m.
BOYS
LSD at Maurepas, 6:30 p.m.
Independence at Albany, 7 p.m.
DSHS at Live Oak, 7:30 p.m.
Walker at Central, 7:30 p.m.
Mt. Hermon at Doyle, 7:30 p.m.
Springfield at French Settlement, 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 18
GIRLS
Plaquemine at Walker, 6:30 p.m.

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DISTRICT 4-5A BOYS BASKETBALL

Yellow Jackets show signs of improvement

Staff report
The Livingston Parish News

DENHAM SPRINGS — After reeling through four losses in a row, the Denham Springs High boys rediscovered winning ways last Friday as the Yellow Jackets pulled away from Tara for a 62-40 triumph.

Dorsett Washington came up big for DSHS (7-14) with 16 points and Keondre Brown added 13 to a balanced attack.

The Jackets and Trojans (7-14) went toe-to-toe in a high-scoring opening period, with Denham creeping to a 20-16 lead. The Jackets' pulled away by limiting Tara to single-digit scoring totals in each of the last three quarters.

Washington did most of his damage early with 8 points in the initial 8 minutes. Brown anchored a balanced team effort as the Jackets methodically built the lead with 5 points in the second quarter. Backup big man Jordan Alford was a spark in the third with 5 of his 7 points.

DSHS 62, TARA 40

Tara	**16**	**9**	**9**	**6**	**--**	**40**
DSHS	**20**	**13**	**15**	**14**	**--**	**62**

Tara (40) -- Jason Bell 2 2-2 7, Trevin Belmel 0 0-0 0, Tywon Burney 5 5-8 15, Deonte Thornton 1 0-0 2, Orland Buras 3 3-3 10, Terrion Moton 2 0-0 4, Chris Ankey 0 0-0 0, Tramone Williams 1 0-0 2, Chris Fountain 0 0-2 0. **Totals 14 10-15 40.**

DSHS (62) -- Julian White 0 0-0 0, Ray Whitley 3 0-0 7, Dorsett Washington 5 6-8 16, Keondre Brown 5 1-3 13, Tyler Hoover 3 2-2 8, Micah Banks 1 0-0 2, Kolby Brooks 0 1-2 1, D.J. Williams 2 0-0 4, Jordan Alford 3 1-7 7, Bryan Harvey 1 0-0 2, Xavier Miles 0 0-0 0. **Totals 24 12-18 62.**

3-point goals -- Tara 2 (Bell 1, Buras 1), DSHS 2 (Whitley 1, Brown 1). **Total fouls --** Tara 18, DSHS 14. **Records:** Tara 7-14, DSHS 7-14.

Catholic High 49, DSHS 42

DSHS hosted Catholic High on Jan. 3 and the game never got away from the Jackets. But the Bears scraped past Denham for a 49-42 victory, the Jackets' loss was the fourth in a row for the Jackets (6-14), the first in single digits in that span.

Brown led DSHS with 17 points, 8 in the fourth quarter, and Ray Whitley added 12. But the two Jacket guards weren't enough to keep pace with Catholic (12-7), which got 32 points from its backcourt – 19 from Tensley Aldridge and 13 from Dean Jolly.

CATHOLIC HIGH 49, DSHS 42

Catholic	**16**	**13**	**11**	**9**	**--**	**49**
DSHS	**13**	**12**	**9**	**8**	**--**	**42**

Catholic (49) -- Remy Robert 1 0-0 3, Tensley Aldridge 7 4-6 19, Dean Jolly 4 3-3 13, Tyler Mixon 0 4-4 4, Austin Lachney 1 0-0 2, Mason McCullough 0 0-0 0, Collin Holloway 1 2-2 4, Ja'lyn Foster 1 2-2 2. **Totals 15 15-17 49**

DSHS (42) -- Micah Banks 1 0-0 2, Kolby Brooks 2 1-4 5, Keondre Brown 7 0-2 17, Tyler Hoover 1 0-0 2, Ray Whitley 4 1-1 12, Jay White 0 0-0 0, Parish Alford 1 0-0 2, Dorsett Washington 1 0-1 2. **Totals 17 2-8 42.**

3-point goals -- Catholic 4 (Jolly 2, Robert 1, Aldridge 1), DSHS 6 (Whitley 3, Brown 3). **Total fouls --** Catholic 11, DSHS 17.**Records:** Catholic 12-7, DSHS 6-14.

Walker 57, Lee 30

WALKER — Jacobi Scott is back and that's good for the Walker boys.

The Wildcats' senior guard missed a three-game tournament at West Monroe last week while he participated in a football all-star game – three games WHS lost.

Scott was back in action on Jan. 3 against Lee and delivered 17 points, including four 3-pointers, as the Wildcats raced past the Rebels 57-30.

Dalton Moore added 15 points and everybody in home white chimed in on defense as Lee (5-14) managed only two points in the first quarter, seven by halftime and 15 by the end of three quarters.

Walker made sure the losing streak from West Monroe was a memory quickly by racing ahead 18-2 after a quarter and 29-7 at halftime.

WALKER 57, LEE 30

Lee	**2**	**5**	**8**	**15**	**--**	**30**
Walker	**18**	**11**	**20**	**8**	**--**	**57**

Lee (30) -- Sidney Hearnes 4 5-6 13, Tim Fullman 0 0-0 0, Amir Sykes 1 1-2 3, Anthony Dyson 1 0-0 2, Ernie Blanson 0 0-0 0, Estaban Fillipe 0 0-2 0, Malik Johnson 0 1-2 1, Tayshaun Johnson 3 0-0 7, Jyialik Matthews 2 0-2 4. **Totals 11 7-14 30.**

Walker (57) -- Jacobi Scott 5 3-4 17, Darius Hampton 0 0-2 0, Dalton Moore 6 2-2 15, Jalen Cook 3 2-3 8, Jalen Perkins 2 0-0 4, Josh Cook 2 4-4 8, Le Davis 2 0-0 4, Trent Montgomery 0 0-0 0, Jade Henry 0 0-0 0, Jace Valenti 0 1-2 1, Quaeshon Clark 0 0-0 0, Cameron Palmer 0 0-0 0, Graham Smith 0 0-0 0. **Totals 20 12-17 57.**

3-point goals -- Lee 1 (T. Johnson), Walker 5 (Scott 4, Moore 1). **Total fouls --** Lee 10, Walker 18. **Fouled out --** Ja. Cook. **Records:** Lee 5-14, Walker 13-5.



CRYSTAL LOGIUDICE I THE NEWS

Denham Springs High's Dorsett Washington (24) shoots over Tara's Trevon Bernel in the first half last Friday. The Yellow Jackets rolled to a 62-40 win. Go to LivingstonParishNews.com for a full photo gallery.

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SPRINGFIELD-ALBANY BASKETBALL

Bulldogs ride hot hand past Hornets

By Jason Russell
The Livingston Parish News

SPRINGFIELD 78, ALBANY 44

Springfield	**22**	**19**	**16**	**21**	**-- 78**
Albany	**15**	**7**	**7**	**15**	**-- 44**

Springfield (78) -- Cam Fox 24, Isaiah Jackson 20, Matthew Kreutzer 12, Trevor Martin 9, Mikail Brown 8, Preston Smith 3, Sawyer Blankenship 2. **Totals 29-55 7-10 78.**
Albany (44) -- Tyler Quamme 12, Caleb Puma 11, Sean Sykes 6, Brandon Wright 5, Damien McAlister 4, Trey Yelverton 4, Brayden Davis 2. **Totals 11-35 13-21 44.**
3-point goals -- Springfield 13 (Fox 6, Martin 3, Kreutzer 2, Jackson 1, Smith 1), Albany 7 (Puma 3, Sykes 2, McAlister 1, Yelverton 1).
Records: Springfield 9-9, Albany 6-13.

ALBANY — Torrid shooting led by Springfield guard Cam Fox coupled with a less-than-stellar and short night by Albany's Sean Sykes lifted the Bulldogs to a 78-44 rout of the Hornets on Tuesday.

Fox nailed six 3-pointers, each one seemingly longer than the one before, on his way to a 24-point output that gave Springfield a much-needed win after finishing a disappointing fourth in the Hannan Hustle last week.

"As the season goes on, we are just getting better and better," Fox said. "My shot is getting better as we work harder and harder every day in practice."

Springfield trailed only once in the game after Sykes hit a 3-pointer just 50 seconds in to give Albany a 3-0 advantage. Isaiah Jackson hit a 3-pointer to tie the game and Fox then hit two 3's to give put the Bulldogs up for good, 9-6.

Fox nailed three more 3's in the first period and the Bulldogs took a commanding 22-15 lead into the second quarter.

Springfield coach Mary Erdey said his team's hot shooting is something that has been desperately needed as of late.

"That's the most points we have scored all year and it's because we hit perimeter shots," Erdey said. "That opens up things inside.

"I knew they were going to play the tight zone and we had been working on the perimeter shot, but it hadn't quote fallen this good this year yet."

As Springfield started to pull away in the second, things got intense on the Albany side. With the Springfield defense smothering Sykes, the senior guard for the Hornets tried to make things happen as best he could.

After Jackson gave Springfield a 35-15 lead with 4 minutes left in the half, Sykes let his frustration get the bestof-him, arguing a call with an official, earning technical foul. Albany coach Chris Carter sat Sykes for the rest of the contest after the miscue.

Springfield never let up, coasting to a 41-22 halftime lead, as Jackson and Fox scored the last eight points of the first half.

The second half was mainly used by Albany to give as many players as possible significant playing time, as Carter let his young team get some experience in a meaningful game.

"It's like playing two junior varsity games back to back because we are so young," Carter said. "I thought we came out with good energy.

"It's about getting better every day and start winning every possession and then we will start winning games. It's about being at practice and being committed."

Springfield still outscored the Hornets 21-15 in the final period, however.

Erdey said he was pleased with his team's effort.

"Cam and Isaiah are quick and hard to guard so we know we have to hit shots to attack teams, and we did that," Erdey said.

Fox said a shootaround earlier in the day gave him all the confidence he needed to play well against Albany.

"At the shootaround I felt pretty good about my shot," Fox said. "It was like everything I was throwing up was going in."

Jackson scored 20 for the Bulldogs, while Matthew Kreutzer had 12. Mikail Brown led the way on the boards with seven rebounds while Kreutzer had 6.

Springfield did a good job protecting the ball, committing only 10 turnovers, four in the first half.

Albany got 12 points and 4 rebounds from sophomore center Tyler Quamme, while freshman guard Caleb Puma had 11 points and three 3-pointers.



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Springfield's Isaiah Jackson tries to block the path of Albany's Tyus Moton on Jan. 3. Cam Fox scored 24 points and Jackson added 20 as the Bulldogs rolled to a 78-44 victory.





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Above, Springfield's Jaila Golden fires a shot as Hannah Vicknair (11) and Bailee Gardiner (4) defend on Jan. 3. Below, Vicknair scrambles for a loose ball with two Lady Bulldogs. Albany prevailed 53-32.

Johnson sparks Albany past Springfield, 53-32

By Jason Russell
The Livingston Parish News

ALBANY — Sometimes offensive stats are not what wins basketball games. Sometimes it's the play of players that do the dirty work that make all the difference.

That's what helped most for Albany on Jan. 3 as the Lady Hornets got a gritty effort from senior Kiara Johnson in a 53-32 win over rival Springfield in a non-district contest.



Johnson

While Johnson had just 4 points on offense, it was her defense and work on the boards that lifted Albany to the victory.

Johnson had 13 rebounds and a blocked shot while harassing the Lady Bulldogs down low all game to push the Lady Hornets to a 12-10 overall record.

"I don't care about (notoriety: As long as we are winning, that's what matters to me," Johnson said.

Albany coach Stacy Darouse said Johnson just goes out and does her job each and every game.

"That's her role every game is to go out and rebound," Darouse said. "I told her (Tuesday) morning at practice that every shot is a pass to you and it's just a matter of whether you want to go catch the pass or not.

"She took that to heart and was really good on the boards (Tuesday)."

Johnson doesn't mind doing the hard work that comes with playing tough defense and getting rebounds.

"That's what I do," she said. "I just go and get the loose balls and get the ball out to get the play set up again.

"No matter if we're losing or winning big, I'm still going to hustle and do my best."

Knowing it was severely outmatched, Springfield tried its best to hang with the Lady Hornets in the early going, as Albany scored just four points in the first 4 minutes of the first quarter.

After falling behind 4-0, the Lady Bulldogs hit four straight free throws to tie the game, but Albany outscored Springfield 8-2 to end the quarter with a 12-6 lead.

The second quarter was much of the same, as Albany went inside to Natalie Kelly for several easy buckets and even got a 3-pointer from Camryn Woods with a minute to go before halftime to give the Lady Hornets a 26-12 lead at intermission.

Springfield's offensive woes continued in the third quarter with just four in the period and Albany stretched its lead to 38-16 heading to the fourth.

Springfield kept the game from getting out of hand in the fourth as the Lady Bulldogs actually outscored Albany 16-15 in the period, getting as many points in the fourth quarter as they had in the previous three periods.

Only three players scored for Springfield led by Jaila Golden's 15 points and Sarah Simeon's 10. Kiarra Westbrook had 6 points and 14 rebounds in the game and said that despite the lopsided loss, the Lady Bulldogs need to use the opportunity to work on their game.

"When we get beat by that much, we have to maintain a positive attitude and keeping doing what we do," Brooks said. "We aren't conditioned that well, so it's tough sometimes, but we have to just keep pushing the ball up the floor."

Westbrook said that Albany is a great team, and the experience will help Springfield when the Lady Bulldogs face the tough district slate that is approaching.

"This is a big school that had good intensity, so when we play teams like Doyle and French Settlement, we will be able to keep pace with them," Westbrook said.

Darouse said she still sees things that the Lady Hornets can work on as the season progresses.

"We spent the entire halftime talking about defense," she said. "I didn't feel like we had enough pressure on the ball.

"The third quarter we were able to challenge some passes and get out in transition and that (helped) because we don't shoot very well, so we need to get as close to the basket as possible."

The poor shooting that Darouse spoke of was evident, as the Lady Hornets shot 22-of-70 from the field.

Natalie Kelly led the way on the scoreboard for Albany, putting in 10 points while also pulling down 12 rebounds, blocking two shots and corralling two steals. The Lady Hornets had 49 total rebounds.

ALBANY 53, SPRINGFIELD 32

Springfield	**6**	**6**	**4**	**16**	**-- 32**
Albany	**12**	**14**	**12**	**15**	**-- 53**

Springfield (32) -- Jaila Golden 15, Sarah Simeon 10, Kiarra Westbrook 6. **Totals 13-41 4-10 32.**
Albany (53) -- Natalie Kelly 10, Camryn Woods 9, Tristan Miles 7, Bailee Gardiner 6, Mahogany Williams 6, Hannah Vicknair 5, Kiara Johnson 4, Maddy Oubre 2, Layla D'Fonseca 2, Taylor Sykes 2. **Totals 22-70 7-18 53.**
3-point goals -- Springfield 1 (Golden 1), Albany 2 (Miles 1, Vicknair 1). **Records:** Springfield 7-9, Albany 12-10.

WALKER BOYS SOCCER

Fruge's late goal propels Wildcats

By Jason Russell
The Livingston Parish News

WALKER — It might have been the most exciting 78 minutes of scoreless high school soccer one would ever see, but for the Walker boys, the final 2 minutes on Jan. 4 were the most exhilarating.

Walker's Zach Fruge got a rebound off of his own shot and buried the ball in the back of the net with less than 2 minutes to play as the Wildcats took a heart-pounding 1-0 win over St. Michael.

"That was one of my only chances in the game, so I had to do what I had to do," Fruge said. "Our defense kept us in the game and (St. Michael) is pretty solid, but our back line is playing well."

Walker was coming off an impressive performance in winning the St. Michael Tournament last week, before tying University High on Jan. 3.

Walker and St. Michael traded jabs all night, but neither team could put the ball in the net. Both teams had several golden opportunities to score, with St. Michael dominating the first half of play while Walker took charge in the second half.

Walker's Caleb Wall hit the crossbar in the 74th minute off of a rebound and Jordan Lemon missed a shot in close just a minute later to keep the game scoreless.

The winning goal came after the Wildcats pushed the ball into the box and got it in close on St. Michael goalkeeper Grant Hebert. After Hebert saved the first of Fruge's shots, the rebound came back to the Wildcat standout, who put the ball in the back left corner of the net to give Walker the lead.

St. Michael tried to make a push in the final minute to tie, but clearouts by Walker kept the ball away from the net and the Wildcats walked away winners.

Walker coach Todd Wall said he was pleased with the effort of his team against the Warriors.

"My heart goes out to every single one of our players," he said. "They put their heart into it and I'm proud of them."

St. Michael had a chance to score late in the second half as Walker was called for a hand ball inside the box. That set up a penalty kick opportunity for the Warriors, but Seth Adolph's kick went high over Walker goalie Brennan McGowan and hit the crossbar to keep the game scoreless.

McGowan said he doesn't mind the pressure of defending a penalty kick in close.

"It's nerve-wracking, but it's just what I do," he said. "It was huge that they didn't make it, because if they would have made that goal, it probably would have killed us.

"It just gave us all the momentum we needed."

While Walker only had three shots on goal in the game, the Wildcats had numerous opportunities to dent the scoreboard in the second half. Alex Vega also had a chance in the 62nd minute to score when Hebert fell down in front of the net on a rush, but Vega missed high over the net.

Vega had a shot saved by Hebert and also missed a shot wide right within a 4-minute span in the middle of the half. Caleb Wall also had two shots go wide of the net in the half.

The first half was spirited but did not produce much offense as both teams kept the other away from the net for the most part. St. Michael's best chances to score were knocked away by McGowan, and though they were not technically shots on goal, the grabs near the box kept St. Michael from gaining any momentum.

Todd Wall said that he told his team coming in that St. Michael was talented and he wanted the Wildcats to stay aggressive.

"They are one of the best teams in the state so we knew we would have to be aggressive to keep up with them," he said. "All I can say is praise the Lord."

Walker starts district play Thursday when it travels to face Zachary at 6 p.m.

WALKER 1, ST. MICHAEL 0

Goals – Walker: Zach Fruge. **Goalkeepers --** St. Michael: Grant Hebert, 3 saves; Walker: Brennan McGowan 2 saves. **Records:** St. Michael 6-3-2, Walker 13-3-3. Up next: Walker at Zachary, 6 p.m. Thursday

SCOREBOARD

BOYS

Monday
St. Michael 1, Live Oak 0

Friday
DSHS at Zachary, 6 p.m.
Walker at Baton Rouge High, 6 p.m.

Saturday
Live Oak at Lutcher, TBA

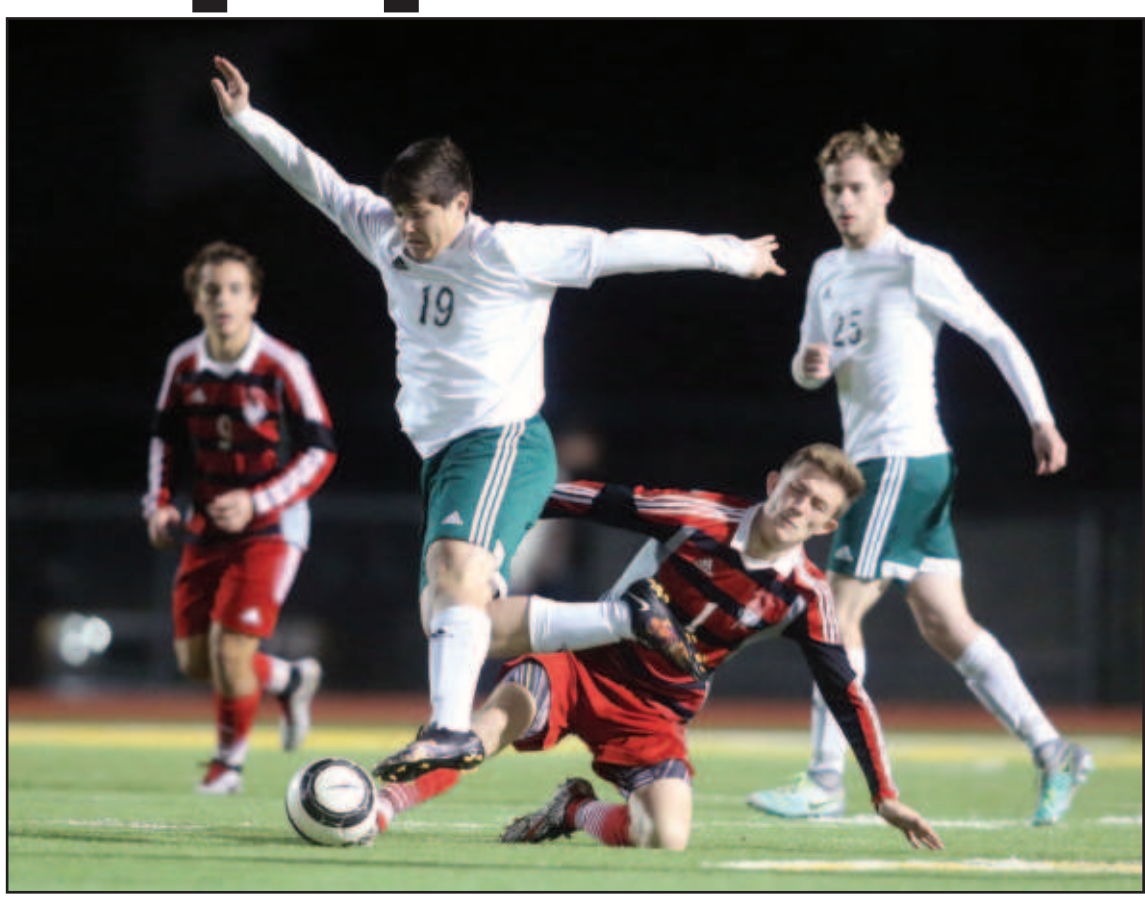
GIRLS

Thursday
Baton Rouge High at Walker, 6 p.m.

Friday
DSHS at McKinley, 6 p.m.
Woodlawn at Live Oak, 7 p.m.

Saturday
St. Amant at DSHS, 1 p.m.
Live Oak at Lutcher, 5 p.m.

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Above, Walker's Zach Fruge (19) leaps toward the ball past St. Michael defender Jacob Carughi (1) in the first half of a match last week. Below, Walker's Jordan Lemon drives the ball down the field. The Wildcats edged the Warriors 1-0. See LivingstonParishNews.com for a full photo gallery.



LIVE OAK GIRLS SOCCER

EA storms past Lady Eagles, 5-0

By Ryne Bertholet
The Livingston Parish News

WATSON — Sophomore Katie Baker found herself on the wrong end of a firing squad last Saturday.

Live Oak's young goalkeeper fell victim to East Ascension's Valeria Gonzalez 4 minutes into the frigid match, being drawn out of the net with failed hopes of stymying the forward's shot.

Five minutes later, Gonzalez added her second goal of the match to feed a lead that expanded over the final 71 minutes, ending with the Lady Spartans drubbing the Lady Eagles 5-0.

EA forward Maylen Mire tacked on a goal in the 28th minute, while midfielder Mariah Welch snuck a shot in the bottom right corner of the net against Baker to round out the scoring in a 4-0 first half.

Sophomore striker Alicia Carlos knew early on that the Lady Eagles' strategy was not working.

"Defensively, we came out maybe a little too aggressively," Carlos said. "Our back line was just getting beat early on. It was hard stopping them."

Whatever defensive troubles plagued Live Oak (6-6-3) in the first half were almost nonexistent in the second half. Aside from a goal by Mire midway through, Baker proved steadfast in the net. Carlos said head coach Jimmy Cook handed the reins of the halftime meeting to his captains.

"He didn't really have much to say to us at the half," she said. "Most of our senior leaders did the talking. They told us that we really need to communicate more on defense and step our game up overall."

Despite a valiant second half effort by Baker, which saw her on the receiving a similar amount of shots but allowing only the single goal, the Lady Eagles (6-6-2) failed to produce anything offensively. It was the sixth time this season that Live Oak was held without a goal, including the third match in a row.

Conversely, the Lady Eagles have shut out their opponents four times, all of them being mercy-rule victories, 8-0.

The Jekyll-and-Hyde performance of her squad hasn't gone unnoticed by Carlos, who has learned to take the streakiness in stride.

"This year's definitely had its share of challenges," Carlos said. "But it's been fun. We're all still hoping for a shot at the district title."

There's only one district game on the docket this week for Live Oak: A home match at 7 p.m. Friday against Woodlawn. The Lady Eagles will also face non-district opponent Lutcher at 5 p.m. Saturday.



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Live Oak's Maddy Harrouch (9) attempts to steal the ball away from East Ascension's Valeria Gonzalez (17) on Saturday. The Lady Eagles lost 5-0. For a full photo gallery, see LivingstonParishNews.com.

EAST ASCENSION 5
LIVE OAK 0

Goals -- East Ascension: Valeria Gonzalez 2, Maylen Mire 2, Mariah Welch, 1. Live Oak -- None. **Goalkeepers --** East Ascension: Margaret Britton 2 saves, McKenna Gautreau 1 save; Live Oak: Katie Baker 4 saves. **Records:** East Ascension 7-5-4, Live Oak 6-6-3

Late goal from David allows **Walker** *to forge a 1-1 tie vs. U-High*

From B1

ground a lot (when the field is wet)," Kalaj said. "It goes further than it usually does, so there's a lot more chasing balls down."

The wet field didn't seem to bother Kalaj on his near-perfect assist late in the first half, when he booted a pass from nearly 40 yards out to the goalie's box for David to coolly head in. Though David was confident in the play from the start, Kalaj wasn't nearly as certain when he sent the ball off.

"When I kicked it I thought it was going to no one," Kalaj said. "Then I saw him running and I was just praying he'd get there and score. It was a good run by Kolbe."

The Cubs (9-3-2) made sure that Walker (11-3-3) didn't celebrate for long.

U-High attempted a corner kick with less than a minute before halftime, and after a brief scramble in front of the goal, Paul Stouffer was able to head the ball into a wide open net.

It was the only low point of the night for Walker goalkeeper Brennan McGowan, who has had trouble with corner kicks before.

"For me, that's probably my biggest weakness, defending corners," McGowan said. "I'm not really that tall, and they had a few 6-footers over there. There was also some miscommunication between the right back and me. I dove for the ball and he cleared it, and it just didn't go far enough."

There weren't any back line issues for McGowan in the second half as the Wildcats closed off any openings for the Cubs, holding them to just one shot after halftime, which didn't come until the final minute of the game.

"My back line is probably my favorite part of the team," McGowan said. "They don't let a lot go in. They make my job easier."

WALKER 1, UNIVERSITY HIGH 1

Goals -- Walker: Kolbe David; University High: Paul Stouffer. **Goalkeepers --** Walker: Brennan McGowan (3 saves); University High: Matthew Johnson (4 saves). **Shots/shots on goal --** Walker: 6/5; University High: 5/4. **Records:** Walker 11-3-3, University High 9-3-2.





CRYSTAL LOGIUDICE | THE NEWS

Left, French Settlement's Jackson LeBourgeois (24) is surrounded by Maurepas defenders in the second half last Thursday. Right, Maurepas' Jason Mclin (35) puts up a shot as part of his 21-point performance in the Wolves' 56-47 loss to the Lions. See LivingstonParishNews.com for a full photo gallery.

Lions *find groove in 3rd quarter to pull away from Wolves*

From B1

get some things going right before then."

First things, first, though, the Lions (7-6) had to shake free from the Wolves (2-11), who are as relieved to get to district play as any team in the parish.

Maurepas was feisty from the get-go on the night when the school retired former baseball star Kade Scivicque's jersey number, with Jason McLin peppering FSHS for 15 first-half points.

Marlow countered with 7 in the first quarter as the Lions played solid team ball with five assists on six made field goals early on.

Brayden Aime and Marlow buried consecutive 3s to begin the second quarter to establish a 19-14 edge. But the Wolves chipped away and took a 20-19 lead when McLin pumped in a trey from the top of the key.

An Aime foul shot and LeBourgeois bucket put the Lions back in front as they methodically chipped away with seven unanswered points to regain control.

Maurepas hit a long drought after McLin's 3, missing three shots and turning the ball over twice. Hunter Dupuy finally drove for a hoop at the 1-minute mark, but that was the Wolves' only dent in the scoreboard over the last 4:29 as they missed 5-of-6 down the stretch in a half when they shot an icy 34.8% (8 of 23).

"Competing in games like this is important for us because it lets guy believe in themselves, but you still have to make shots when they're open," Maurepas coach Jake Bourgeois said. "We got back into the game when they played some zone against us, but once they switched back to man, we struggled."

French Settlement's lead swelled to 42-32 on a LeBourgeois follow shot a minute into the final period, but the Wolves made two final lunges.

Peyton Sturges buried a 3-pointer and swished a free throw to offset a Micah Gill trey and melt the deficit back to 45-37. Moments later after the Lions regained a double-digit upper hand, Cade Duplessis rattled off seven points in a row to get Maurepas within 50-44 with 1:04 left.

That was the last gasp, though, with Gill scoring on a backdoor feed from LeBourgeois and Aime converting 3-oof-4 foul shots to finally slam the door.

"We played with a lot more energy and that was big," first-year Lions' coach Roy Moore said. "Our guys have come a long way the last couple of weeks and playing that way is going to keep us in a lot of games."

So is having LeBourgeois around.

Moore said the Lions' senior playmaker is who the other players feed off of and that was evident against Maurepas.

"We have figured out that we need to trust in our leaders and count on them to make plays," LeBourgeois said. "If we can take care of the ball and execute like we're taught to, we can be a pretty good team."

Marlow led the Lions with 16 points and 7 rebounds, while Bryant Johnson scored 10, snared 5 rebounds and dished out 4 assists. McLin finished with 21 points and Dupuy chimed in with 9 points and 9 boards.

FRENCH SETTLEMENT 56 MAUREPAS 47

FSHS	**13**	**13**	**16**	**14**	**--**	**56**
Maurepas	**11**	**11**	**10**	**15**	**--**	**47**

FSHS (56) -- Bryant Johnson 4-6 2-3 10, Brayden Aime 1-5 6-8 9, Micah Gill 3-5 1-1 8, Jackson LeBourgeois 6-11 1-6 13, Dawson Marlow 6-13 2-3 16, Miguel Sheppard 0-2 0-0 0, Brant Smiley 0-0 0-0 0, Trace White 0-0 0-0 0. **Totals 20-42 12-21 56.**

Maurepas (47) -- Jason McLin 6-14 5-7 21, Cade Duplessis 3-4 1-1 7, Peyton Sturges 2-4 1-2 7, Hunter Dupuy 3-10 3-6 9, Cole Bovia 0-7 0-0 0, Trevor Bovia 0-3 0-0 0, Tyler Anderson 1-2 0-0 3. **Totals 15-44 10-16 47.**

3-point goals -- FSHS 4-10 (Marlow 2-4, Gill 1-1, Aime 1-3, LeBourgeois 0-1, Sheppard 0-1), Maurepas 7-22 (McLin 4-7, Sturges 2-3, Anderson 1-2, Dupuy 0-5, C. Bovia 0-5). **Total fouls --** FSHS 15, Maurepas 16. **Fouled out --** Sturges. **Technical foul --** Marlow. **Records:** FSHS 7-6, Maurepas 2-11.

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Younger cast spurs **Hornets** *past Tigers*

From B1

Doyle sophomore guard Eli Dawsey got the ball in the frontcourt but was called for a double-dribble before he could get a shot off with 2 seconds left, and Sykes hit two more free throws to seal the win.

Doyle coach Daniel Kennedy said small mistakes throughout the game cost the Tigers the chance to win.

"Our guys are competitive and played hard and didn't give up and if you do that you are going to be in the game," Kennedy said. "But if we have a little bit better execution on both ends of the floor and maybe the game goes a different way."

The first half was mostly dominated by Albany, as the Hornets led throughout. McAlister had his two 3-pointers in the first quarter as Albany stretched its lead to as big as seven points in the middle of the first quarter before taking a 23-18 lead into halftime.

Doyle battled back in the third quarter, finally taking the lead at 30-28 on Jones' bucket with 1:11left in the half. After the Tigers took a 31-30 lead on a Jones free throw with 21.8 seconds remaining, Albany worked the clock and Trey Yelverton hit a 3-pointer at the buzzer to send the Hornets into halftime with a 33-31 advantage.

Jones led the way for Doyle in the game with 15 points, while Dawsey had 13 points and 6 rebounds. Brenna Harris had 7 rebounds, while Deon Landor and Landon Wascom grabbed 5 boards each.

Albany turned the ball over just nine times in the game, and only twice in the first half. Doyle was almost as good at protecting the ball, turning it over just 11 times. Both teams shot well at the free-throw line as Albany was 12-for-14 and Doyle was 13-for-18. Sykes made all 10 of his free throws for the Hornets.

It was the third meeting of the season between the teams, with Albany taking two by a combined eight points and Doyle winning the other contest by one. Carter said the experience of the close games should help his team mentally.

"Each player has a different role on the team," he said. "I saw a few times where we shared the ball really great.



"We just all have to keep playing together."

Kennedy said he just wants to get district play under way.

"Hopefully we can start learning how to close out close games, because we are obviously going to have close games in district."

ALBANY 43, DOYLE 38

Albany	**15**	**8**	**10**	**10**	**--**	**43**
Doyle	**9**	**9**	**13**	**7**	**--**	**38**

Albany (43) -- Sean Sykes 22, Brayden Davis 8, Damien McAlister 6, Trey Yelverton 4, Tyler Quamme 3. **Totals 14-46 12-14 43.**

Doyle (38) -- Tristan Jones 15, Eli Dawsey 13, Deon Landor 5, Brennan Harris 2, Hunter Stovall 2, Landon Wascom 1. **Totals 11-41 13-18 38.**

3-point goals -- Albany 3 (McAlister 2, Yelverton 1), Doyle 2 (Dawsey 1, Jones 1).

Records: Albany 8-14, Doyle 9-14.



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Above, Albany's Sean Sykes (12) dives for the ball in front of Doyle forward Brennan Harris (3) on Monday. Top right, Harris defends Albany's Tyler Quamme (32). The Hornets topped the Tigers 43-38. See LivingstonParishNews.com for a full photo gallery.

SPORTS SHORTS

DSAA resumes monthly meetings on Monday

The Denham Springs High Athletic Association will resume monthly meetings on Monday with the Yellow Jackets' new football coach as the special guest.

Bill Conides, who officially began his tenure this week when school resumed back at DSHS after students platooned at Live Oak in the wake of the Great Flood of 2016, will be the guest when the DSHSAA meets at Big Mike's Sports Bar & Grill.

The begins at 7 p.m. and is open to all members and the public. For more information, contact Jim Spring at (225) 588-0366.

Walker media class to broadcast district games

Walker sports will again be carried on Cox Cable channel 117 and the school's web site, www.walkerhigh.org. Veteran announcers Chris Ledoux and Jimmy Guidry are the announcers for basketball, while Shawn Brown will join Ledoux for baseball and softball.

The crew will broadcast the five home district games in boys and girls basketball, as well as any home playoff games.

Each broadcast starts 30 minutes before the game with pregame show and there are interviews with both coaches during the broadcast.

The TV broadcast is run entirely by WHS students in the Digital Media class taught by Jeremy Pleasant. For information on advertising opportunities, contact Principal Jason St. Pierre at (225) 664,4825.

Hole-in-one

Walker resident Rufus Heyse shot a hole-in-one at the Denham Springs Country Club on Dec. 29. Heyse recorded the ace on No. 6 (140 yards) with a 7-iron into an estimated 20 mph wind. Witnesses were Dave Brown, Tim Wilks and Troy Pruett.

Back-2-School IV

USSSA Junior Golf will host the Back-2-School IV Jan. 21-22 at Tamahka Trails Golf Course in Marksville. The event is open to boys and girls ages 12-18 and playing groups will be divided into groups for 9-11, 12-14 and 15-18.

Players 9-11 will play 18 holes (9 per day) and the two older groups will play will play 36 holes (18 per day). The entry fees are $100 for players ages 9-11 and $170 for players 12-18.

All golfers must be USSSA Registered, which is free. All players will receive tee gifts at check in, including a tournament T-shirt.

The deadline to enter is 10 p.m. Jan. 18. For additional information, contact Robert Boudreaux at (337) 278.8431 or robert.boudreaux@usssa.com.

Lakewood Junior Classic

Junior golfers ages 11-18 are invited to compete in the AJGT Lakewood Junior Classic at Lakewood Country Club in New Orleans Feb. 4-5.

The two-day, 36-hole tournament is ranked by the Junior Golf Scoreboard and hosted by the Arrowhead Junior Golf Tour.

The tournament entry fee is $195 and includes two days of green fees, tee gifts, and trophies in four age divisions.

The deadline to enter is noon Feb. 1. To enter the event, please call Diane Ford at (985) 630-3066 or enter online at www.arrowheadjgt.com.

Sports Shorts regularly publishes items of interest to the Livingston Parish sports community concerning programs and events such as registrations, tryouts, benefits and other activities.

To submit an item, call (225) 665.5176, fax to (225) 667.0167 or e-mail to sports@livingstonparishnews.

Denham Springs hoops on Bayou Sports Network

The Bayou Sports Network will broadcast home District 4-5A games for the Denham Springs High boys' and Lady Jacket girls' basketball teams this season beginning when the Lady Yellow Jackets host Scotlandville Friday.

I-phone users can download the free app IBSN and Android users can access the network via the ABSN app. Broadcasts will also be available online at bayousportsnetwork.com.

Jim McChristian will provide play-by-play and he will be joined by color man Mark Curtis.

Typical tipoff for boys' games is 7 p.m., while the girls' games usually start around 6:30 p.m. The broadcasts will start with a 15-minute pre-game show.

Here is a broadcast schedule for DSHS basketball:

JANUARY

13 DSHS girls vs. Scotlandville
17 DSHS girls vs. Live Oak
20 DSHS boys vs. Zachary
24 DSHS boys vs. Central
27 DSHS girls vs. Walker
31 DSHS boys vs. Scotlandville

FEBRUARY

3 DSHS boys vs. Live Oak
7 DSHS girls vs. Zachary
10 DSHS girls vs. Central
14 DSHS boys vs. Walker

PUBLIC NOTICES

2017 Denham Springs City Council Meetings
116 N. Range Ave.
Denham Springs, LA 70726
6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, January 10	Monday, January 23
Tuesday, February 14	Monday, February 27
Tuesday, March 14	Monday, March 27
Tuesday, April 11	Monday, April 24
Tuesday, May 9	Monday, May 22
Tuesday, June 13	Monday, June 26
Tuesday, July 11	Monday, July 24
Tuesday, August 8	Monday, August 28
Tuesday, September 12	Monday, September 25
Tuesday, October 10	Monday, October 23
Tuesday, November 14	Monday, November 27
Tuesday, December 12	to be determined

Public Notice
Opportunity for Requesting A Public Hearing

All interested persons are hereby advised that the Livingston Parish Council has applied to the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for project funding under Federal Transit Administration Section 5311 Rural Transportation Program/Section 5309 Discretionary Program for the following:

PROJECT: The Livingston Parish Council is preparing to add additional equipment to be able to continue its rural transportation services to the general public in Livingston Parish. Further details relative to the project are available from Leila Faucheux, Executive Director, at Livingston Council on Aging, Inc. P.O. Box 658, Denham Springs, La. 70727, (225)664-9343.

Interested persons are advised that they may request that a public hearing be conducted to provide a means for the public to express their views relative to the proposed project on the probable social, economic and environmental effects involved. In lieu of requesting a public hearing, interested persons may submit their comments in writing.

Written requests for a public hearing and/or submittal of comments must be postmarked on or before January 27, 2017 and should be addressed to Leila Faucheux, Executive Director, Livingston Council on Aging, Inc. P.O. Box 658, Denham Springs, La. 70727. Should a public hearing be required, a public notice will be published and will state the date, time and location of the hearing.

Signed: _____
Layton Ricks, Parish President
Livingston Parish Council

Livingston Council on Aging
Publication Date: 1/12/2017

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Town of Springfield (herein referred to as the "Owner") hereby solicits sealed bids for the ***New Water Well– Contract No. 2*** project described as follows:

STATEMENT OF WORK (PEC Project No. 11043.05-2): Construction of new 500 GPM water test well and permanent well with pressure tank and appurtenances.

Sealed Bids shall be addressed to the **Town of Springfield**, and delivered to the **Town of Springfield, 27378 Hwy. 42, Springfield, LA 70462** not later than **2:00 p.m.**, on the **9th** day of **February, 2017**. Any bid received after the specified time and date will not be considered. The sealed bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at **2:00 p.m. on the 9th day of February, 2017**, at the **Town of Springfield** located at **27378 Hwy. 42, Springfield, LA 70462**.

The Instructions to Bidders, Bid Form, Contract, Plans, Specifications, and Forms of Bid Bond, Performance Bond and Payment Bond, and other bidding documents may be examined at the Office of the Engineer for the contract; Professional Engineering Consultants Corp. located at 7600 Innovation Park Drive, Baton Rouge, La 70820; (225-769-2810). Copies shall be obtained at this office upon payment of a deposit of $150.00. This deposit will be refunded upon request in accordance with R.S. 38:2212. Validation of the Contractor's license and classifications will be made prior to release of bid documents.

Contractors submitting bids shall be licensed under LA R.S. 37:2150-2164, **Municipal and Public Works - Water Well Drilling Specialty**. Other license classifications may, at the option of the Owner, be considered based upon a thorough review of the Contractor's past experience. The bidder shall show his license number on the bid and on the sealed envelope submitting the bid.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids for just cause; such actions will be in accordance with Title 38 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes.

In accordance with R.S. 38:2212 (A)(1)(b), the provisions and requirements stated in the Bidding Documents shall not be waived by any entity.

Each Bidder must deposit with his/her bid, security in the amount of at least five percent (5%) of the total bid price, provided on the specified form and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders. Sureties used for obtaining bonds must appear as acceptable on the U. S. Department of Treasury Circular 570.

No bidder may withdraw his/her bid within forty-five (45) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

OWNER
TOWN OF SPRINGFIELD

BY: /s/ TOMMY ABELS, MAYOR

PUBLICATION/DATES:
Livingston Parish News
Thursday, January 5, 2017
Thursday, January 12, 2017
Thursday, January 19, 2017

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #4
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
November 21, 2016

Mr. Dugas called the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at 6:00 p.m. The invocation was given by Mr. Falks and the assembly recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Dugas called the roll with the following members present: Mr. Joseph Blanchard, Mr. Robert Dugas, Mr. Jeff Easley, and Mr. Leslie Falks. Chief James Wascom, Deputy Chief Trey Jackson, Training Officer Keesler Fly, Trey Sanders (Hannis T. Bourgeois, LLP.), and Tasha Killcrease were also present.

Mr. Falks made the motion, seconded by Mr. Blanchard, to adopt the minutes of the October 17, 2016 Regular Board Meeting.

Ayes: Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Dugas, Mr. Easley, Mr. Falks
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mr. Blevins

October 2016 Financial Report was given by Mr. Trey Sanders with Hannis T. Bourgeois, LLP.

There being no old business to discuss, the Board moved on to new business.

Chief Wascom updated the board on the Community Development Loan eligibility of $714,988.00.

Mr. Robert Dugas read aloud the Local Government Resolution – Collateral Security.

Mr. Falks made the motion, seconded by Mr. Easley, to accept the Government Resolution – Collateral Security.

Ayes: Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Dugas, Mr. Easley, Mr. Falks
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mr. Blevins

Mr. Falks made the motion, seconded by Mr. Blanchard, to authorize Chief Wascom to obtain permission from the Livingston Parish Council to go before the Bond Commission for the Community Development Loan.

Ayes: Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Dugas, Mr. Easley, Mr. Falks
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mr. Blevins

Chief Wascom updated the board members on the January 2017 full-time new hires: Justin Hartley, Keith Garon, and Miriam Howard.

Mr. Easley made the motion, seconded by Mr. Blanchard, to authorize Chief Wascom to hire the above three full-time Firefighter/Operators in January 2017.

Ayes: Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Dugas, Mr. Easley, Mr. Falks
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mr. Blevins

The Chief's report was given by Deputy Chief Trey Jackson - updated the board on call statistics.

Commissioner's Report was given by Mr. Robert Dugas.

Mr. Dugas updated the board on Freeman's Tax property appraisal.

Mr. Blanchard made the motion, seconded by Mr. Falks, to purchase the property where Freeman's Tax is located (9760 Florida Blvd, Walker, LA 70785) for $560,000. The property is 1.46 acres with a 2,000 sq ft single family dwelling and a 2,284 sq ft office building.

Ayes: Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Blevins, Mr. Dugas, Mr. Easley, Mr. Falks
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mr. Blevins

There being no further business before the board, Mr. Easley made the motion, seconded by Mr. Blanchard to adjourn.

Ayes: Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Dugas, Mr. Easley, Mr. Falks
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Mr. Blevins

Robert Dugas, Chairman

CITY OF WALKER

ORDINANCE # 12-2016-02 December 12, 2016

On motion by Mr. Eric Cook, seconded by Mr. Gary Griffin, the following ordinance was adopted by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Walker, Louisiana.

OPERATING BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE

CALENDAR YEAR 2017

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Walker, Louisiana, now acting as the governing authority of said City, in legal session convened that:

SECTION I. The attached detailed estimate of revenues and expenditures by departments, for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2017, be and the same is hereby adopted to serve as "Budget of Revenues and Expenditures" for the City of Walker during the said period.

SECTION II. The adopting of this Operation Budget of Revenues and Expenditures by and the same is hereby declared to operate as an appropriation of the amounts therein set forth with the terms of the budget classification.

SECTION III. The Mayor is hereby authorized to take and accept bids or proposals, as well as, execute all agreements and/or contracts necessary and appropriate for the implementation of the Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for the Calendar Year 2017. All agreements must be in compliance with LA R.S. 33:321, et seq.

The above and foregoing ordinance was read and adopted section by section and then submitted to an official vote as a whole, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Cook, Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

The ordinance was thereupon declared adopted this 12th day of December 2016

Mayor Rick Ramsey

ATTEST:
Myra Streeter, Clerk
CMC; CMA; CAA

City of Walker
General Fund
Annual Budget
Ordinance # 12-2016-__
Adopted December 12, 2016
For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

	Current Budget	Adjustments Inc (Dec)	Amended Budget
Revenues			
Taxes	$ 3,198,500	$ -	$ 3,198,500
Licenses and Permits	444,600	-	444,600
Fines and Forfeits	960,000	-	960,000
Interest Income	6,000	-	6,000
Fees	83,000	-	83,000
Charges for Services	9,200	-	9,200
Intergovernmental	3,512,700	-	3,512,700
Concessions	8,500	-	8,500
Miscellaneous	22,000	-	22,000
Total Revenues	8,244,500	-	8,244,500
Expenditures			
General and Administrative	1,675,040	-	1,675,040
Animal Control	229,800	-	229,800
Parks and Recreation	273,200	-	273,200
Police Department	2,452,600	-	2,452,600
Street Department	1,338,000	-	1,338,000
Capital Outlay	3,574,400	-	3,574,400
Debt Service	104,700	-	104,700
Total Expenditures	9,647,740	-	9,647,740
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Exenditures	(1,403,240)	-	(1,403,240)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Sale of Capital Assets	-	-	-
Proceeds from Debt	-	-	-
Transfers In	1,365,700	-	1,365,700
Adjust Beginning Fund Balance as per December 31, 2015 audited financial statements		-	
Net Change in Fund Balance	(37,540)	-	(37,540)
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	1,007,900	-	1,007,900
Fund Balance at End of Year	$ 970,360	$ -	$ 970,360

City of Walker
Special Revenue Fund
Annual Budget
Ordinance # 12-2016-__
Adopted December 12, 2016
For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

	Current Budget	Adjustments Inc (Dec)	Amended Budget
Revenues			
Taxes	$ 1,335,000	$ -	$ 1,335,000
Interest Income	9,000	-	9,000
Total Revenues	1,344,000	-	1,344,000
Expenditures			
General Expenses	21,100	-	21,100
Debt Service	182,600	-	182,600
Total Expenditures	203,700	-	203,700
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Exenditures	1,140,300	-	1,140,300
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Transfers Out	(1,176,200)	-	(1,176,200)
Adjust Beginning Fund Balance as per December 31, 2014 audited financial statements		-	
Net Change in Fund Balance	(35,900)	-	(35,900)
Beginning Fund Balance	1,864,200	-	1,864,200
Ending Funding Balance	$ 1,828,300	$ -	$ 1,828,300

City of Walker
Governmental Funds - Capital Outlay and Debt Service
Annual Budget
Ordinance # 12-2016-__
Adopted December 12, 2016
For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

Dept	Description	Current Budget	Adjustments Inc (Dec)	Amended Budget
Admin	Walking Trail Phase III	$ 115,000	$ -	$ 115,000
Animal		-	-	-
Parks		-	-	-
Police		-	-	-
Streets	Sidewalks Phase III - GRANT - carryforward	367,000	-	367,000
Streets	Industrial Park Road Rehab Phase III - carryforward	3,092,400	-	3,092,400
	TOTAL CAPITALY OUTLAY	$ 3,574,400	$ -	$ 3,574,400

Description	Current Budget	Adjustments Inc (Dec)	Amended Budget
Series 2016 Revenue Refunding Bonds, refunding portion of 2009 Bonds. Total bond issue of $4,890,000. $3,266,000 reported in Enterprise Fund; and $1,624,000 reported in Special Revenue Fund. Outstanding balance at 12/31/16 is $4,825,000, with $3,266,000 payable from enterprise fund and $1,559,000 from 1/2 cent sales tax special revenue fund.	$ 135,000	$ -	$ 135,000
2013 Municipal Lease Program. Total lease of $155,200. Outstanding balance at 12/31/15 is $63,000. Final quartely payment due September 11, 2018	31,000	-	31,000
2014 Municipal Lease Program. Total lease of $277,700. Outstanding balance at 12/31/15 is $196,500 with $116,700 payable from the general fund and $79,800 payable from the enterprise fund. Final quarterly payment due April 9, 2019.	33,200	-	33,200
2015 Municipal Lease Program. Total lease of $175,000. Outstanding balance at 12/31/15 is $159,400. Final quarterly payment due April 1, 2020.	35,000	-	35,000
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	$ 234,200	$ -	$ 234,200

City of Walker
Enterprise Fund
Annual Budget
Ordinance # 12-2016-__
Adopted December 12, 2016
For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

	Current Budget	Adjustments Inc (Dec)	Amended Budget
Operating Revenues			
Charges for Services	$ 8,320,400	$ -	$ 8,320,400
Delinquent Charges	122,600	-	122,600
Miscellaneous Charges	310,900	-	310,900
Waste Management Fees	10,000	-	10,000
Total Operating Revenues	8,763,900	-	8,763,900
Operating Expenses			
Gas Department	2,917,700	-	2,917,700
Sewer Department	1,022,900	-	1,022,900
Water Department	972,400	-	972,400
Garbage Department	379,400	-	379,400
Total Operating Expenses	5,292,400	-	5,292,400
Operating Income (Loss) Before Depreciation Expense	3,471,500	-	3,471,500
Depreciation Expense	727,900	-	727,900
Net Operating Income (Loss)	2,743,600	-	2,743,600
Add:			
Nonoperating Revenues	60,100	-	60,100
Transfers In	810,500	-	810,500
Less:			
Nonoperating Expenses	(195,000)	-	(195,000)
Transfers Out	(1,000,000)	-	(1,000,000)
Adjust Beginning Net Assets as per December 31, 2014 audited financial statements		-	
Change Net Assets	2,419,200	-	2,419,200
Net Position at Beginning of Year	17,609,500		17,609,500
Net Position at End of Year	$ 20,028,700		$ 20,028,700

City of Walker
Enterprise Fund - Capital Outlay and Debt Service
Annual Budget
Ordinance # 12-2016-__
Adopted December 12, 2016
For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

Dept	Description	Current Budget	Adjustments Inc (Dec)	Amended Budget
Gas	Juban Road Upgrade - Hwy 190 round-a-bout	$ 346,000	$ -	$ 346,000
Gas	Juban Road upgrade - Hwy 190 to I-12	351,400	-	351,400
Gas	Gas Extension - Buddy Ellis Road	269,400	-	269,400
Gas	Upgrade - Hwy 1026 @ Hwy 1030 round-a-bout	74,500	-	74,500
S/W	Industrial Park Upgrade	368,000	-	368,000
	TOTAL CAPITALY OUTLAY	$ 1,409,300	$ -	$ 1,409,300

Description	Current Budget	Adjustments Inc (Dec)	Amended Budget

Series 2009 Facilities and Community Development Authority Refunding Bonds. Total bond issue of $7,440,000. $4,536,000 for refinancing of 2000 and 2001 Sewer Revenue Bonds, as well as 1999 Natural Gas and Water Revenue Bonds. $2,904,000 for refinancing 2000 Sales Tax Bonds. Partially refinanced with 2016 Bonds. Outstanding balance at 12/31/16 is $1,010,000 payable from enterprise fund.	$ 325,000	$ -	$ 325,000
Series 2010B State of Louisiana Combined Utilities Revenue Bonds. Greenwich Village water project. Total bond issue $364,000. Outstanding balance at 12/31/15 is $283,200.	18,000	-	18,000
Series 2011 State of Louisiana Combine Utilites Revenue Bonds. East Side sewer force main. Total bond issue $675,141. Outstanding balance at 12/31/15 is $527,200.	33,000	-	33,000
Series 2016 Revenue Refunding Bonds, refunding portion of 2009 Bonds. Total bond issue of $4,890,000. $3,266,000 reported in Enterprise Fund; and $1,624,000 reported in Special Revenue Fund. Outstanding balance at 12/31/16 is $4,825,000, with $3,266,000 payable from enterprise fund and $1,559,000 from 1/2 cent sales tax special revenue fund.	-	-	-
2014 Municipal Lease Program. Total lease of	22,700	-	22,700

CITY OF WALKER

ORDINANCE # 12-2016-01 December 12, 2016

On motion by Mr. Paul Roberts, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis, the following ordinance was adopted by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Walker, Louisiana.

2016 ANNUAL BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 3

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and member of the Council of the City of Walker, Louisiana, now acting as the governing authority of said City, in legal session convened that:

SECTION I. The attached amendment of revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016 institutes the following changes:

- Increase general fund capital outlay $96,100.
  - $15,000 for decks and set-up of permits modular building to be funded with general fund revenues.
  - $27,300 to replace city unit flooded during August flood to by funded by insurance proceeds, federal funds under FEMA-4277-DR, and general fund revenues.
  - $3,800 to replace ice machine at park facilities to be with general fund revenues.
  - $25,000 to replace police unit flooded during August flood to by funded by insurance proceeds, federal funds under FEMA-4277-DR, and general fund revenues.
  - $25,000 to replace police unit flooded during August flood to by funded by insurance proceeds, federal funds under FEMA-4277-DR, and general fund revenues.
- Decrease general fund capital outlay $2,980,200 to carry forward to fiscal year ended December 31, 2017.
  - $330,200 for Sidewalks Phase III, decreasing street department expenses $224,300, and federal grants $546,300.
  - $2,650,000 for Industrial Park Rd Phase III, decreasing federal grants 2,597,400, local grants by $200,000, and transfers from special revenue fund by $350,000.
- Increase general fund revenues by $248,200.
  - Federal grants - $153,200 for FEMA-4277-DR August flood event
- Net decrease in general fund transfers from special revenue fund of $147,000
  - Increase by $202,900 to correct funding for Industrial Park Rd Phase II. $225,400 approved by 2015 BA#1 with $22,500 currently included 2016 budget.
  - Decrease by $350,000 with carry forward of Industrial Park Rd Phase III
- Increase enterprise fund nonoperating revenues.
  - Federal grants - $31,100 for FEMA-4277-DR August flood event Category B Emergency Protective Measures (90% federal share), increasing departmental expenditures as follows:
    - $1,800 - Gas Department
    - $14,700 - Sewer Department
    - $18,100 - Water Department
- Adjust beginning fund balance/net assets to actual as per final audited financial statements as of December 31, 2015
  - $170,765 - Increase general fund
  - $32,600 - Increase special revenue fund
  - $80,235 - Increase enterprise fund

The above and foregoing ordinance was read and adopted section by section and then submitted to an official vote as a whole, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Cook, Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

The ordinance was thereupon declared adopted this 12th day of December 2016.

Mayor Rick Ramsey

ATTEST:
Myra Streeter, Clerk
CMC; CMA; CAA

City of Walker
Consolidated Net Position
Budget Amendment No. 3
Ordinance # 12-2016-__
Adopted December 12, 2016
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Current Budget	Adjustments Inc (Dec)	Amended Budget
Governmental Funds Ending Fund Balance			
General Fund	$ 1,302,200	$ (133,635)	$ 1,168,565
Special Revenue Fund	1,566,600	179,700	1,746,300
Total Ending Fund Balance	2,868,800	46,065	2,914,865
Convert Governmental Funds Ending Funding Balance to Net Position:			
Capital Assets, net of depreciation	7,818,300	-	7,818,300
Prepaid Items	84,800	-	84,800
Long-Term Liabilities	(1,778,900)	-	(1,778,900)
Net Position - Governmental Funds	8,993,000	46,065	9,039,065
Net Position - Enterprise Funds	16,773,149	76,735	16,849,884
NET POSITION - Consolidate Government	$25,766,149	$ 122,800	$ 25,888,949

City of Walker
General Fund
Budget Amendment No. 3
Ordinance # 12-2016-__
Adopted December 12, 2016
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Current Budget	Adjustments Inc (Dec)	Amended Budget
Revenues			
Taxes	$ 3,048,800	$ -	$ 3,048,800
Licenses and Permits	433,300	-	433,300
Fines and Forfeits	815,400	-	815,400
Interest Income	1,800	-	1,800
Fees	91,700	-	91,700
Charges for Services	9,200	-	9,200
Intergovernmental	4,852,600	(3,190,500)	1,662,100
Concessions	8,500	-	8,500
Miscellaneous	87,000	95,000	182,000
Total Revenues	9,348,300	(3,095,500)	6,252,800
Expenditures			
General and Administrative	1,671,400	14,500	1,685,900
Animal Control	240,500	2,500	243,000
Parks and Recreation	284,200	-	284,200
Police Department	2,375,500	121,200	2,496,700
Street Department	1,466,100	(192,300)	1,273,800
Capital Outlay	5,328,800	(2,884,100)	2,444,700
Debt Service	104,800	-	104,800
Total Expenditures	11,471,300	(2,938,200)	8,533,100
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Exenditures	(2,123,000)	(157,300)	(2,280,300)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Sale of Capital Assets	-	-	-
Proceeds from Debt	-	-	-
Transfers In	1,652,200	(147,100)	1,505,100
Adjust Beginning Fund Balance as per December 31, 2015 audited financial statements		170,765	
Net Change in Fund Balance	(470,800)	(133,635)	(775,200)
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	1,617,700	1,146,900	1,788,465
Fund Balance at End of Year	$ 1,146,900	$ 1,013,265	$ 1,013,265

City of Walker
Special Revenue Fund
Budget Amendment No. 3
Ordinance # 12-2016-__
Adopted December 12, 2016
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Current Budget	Adjustments Inc (Dec)	Amended Budget
Revenues			
Taxes	$ 1,274,600	$ -	$ 1,274,600
Interest Income	9,000	-	9,000
Total Revenues	1,283,600	-	1,283,600
Expenditures			
General Expenses	20,000	-	20,000
Debt Service	310,500	-	310,500
Total Expenditures	330,500	-	330,500
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Exenditures	953,100	-	953,100
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Transfers Out	(1,472,400)	147,100	(1,325,300)
Adjust Beginning Fund Balance as per December 31, 2014 audited financial statements		32,600	
Net Change in Fund Balance	(519,300)	179,700	(372,200)
Beginning Fund Balance	1,621,900	1,102,600	1,654,500
Ending Funding Balance	$ 1,102,600	$ 1,282,300	$ 1,282,300

CITY OF WALKER
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

December 12, 2016 6:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Walker Mayor and City Council was held at the Walker City Hall on December 12, 2016 at 6:00 pm. Present were Mayor Rick Ramsey, Council members Eric Cook, Jonathan Davis, Gary Griffin, Scarlett Major and Paul Roberts.

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Mr. Gary Griffin.

Mayor Rick Ramsey let the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Ramsey gave congratulations to Mr. Eric Cook for winning he's election for council member and Mr. David Addison for winning he's election as Chief of Police.

Mr. Eric Cook made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to adopt the minutes from the November 14, 2016 meeting as presented.

Yeas: Cook, Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Colbi Rosenthal and Mr. Scott Iness presented a proposal to the council about having a Country Fest at Sidney Hutchinson park in the summer. They also requested the council consider allowing them to sale beer at the festival, which at present has restriction on no alcohol allowed at the park. After hearing the proposal, it was decided the item would be placed back on the agenda for January 8, 2017.

Mr. Fred Raiford updated the council on the projects that the council has approved over their four-year term, as well as thanked them for their support in approving the funding for these projects.

Mayor Ramsey expressed his desire to extend the walking trail at Sidney Hutchinson Park and explained the funding would be addressed in the public hearing to adopt the 2017 Budget Ordinance further on the agenda.

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook to approve a resolution authorizing final acceptance of the Industrial Park Drive Rehabilitation Project.

Yeas: Cook, Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mrs. Scarlett Major introduced and ordinance to be set for a public hearing at the January 8, 2017 council meeting for the rezoning of lots at 30366 Walker North.

Following a public hearing, Mr. Paul Roberts made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to approve an Ordinance for Budget Amendment #3.

Following a public hearing, Mr. Eric Cook made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gary Griffin to approve an Ordinance to adopt the 2017 Budget with the amendment to add $112,000.00 for the extension to the Walking Trail at Sidney Hutchinson Park.

Yeas: Cook, Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Chief Marliam Lee presented his final police report as Chief of Police for the City of Walker, reporting 144 citations, 928 calls for service and 34 arrests. Chief Lee expressed his thanks for the privilege of serving the Walker community as Office, Assistant Chief and Chief of Police over his 35-year career.

Mr. Jonathan Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook to approve a Meritorious Service Award to Corporal Terry Taylor, Officer Brett Savant, Officer Gerald Sicard and Officer Clint Walker for their exemplary conduct during a period of extreme adversity.

Yeas: Cook, Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Rick Ramsey expressed his gratitude at being able to lead Walker over the past four year. He also thanked Chief Marliam Lee for his friendship and his willingness to work together for both the City, Police Department and Community's betterment.

Mrs. Kelly Pittman, Mr. David Greer and Mr. Brett Melancon were all present and discussed the controversy between tenants and owner of the former Herring Trailer Park. Following the discussion Mayor Ramsey informed Mrs. Pittman and Mr. Greer that the property was owned by Mr. Melancon and that he was under no obligation to keep any of the tenants of the park. The Mayor also expressed that the City was in no way encouraging or mandating that Mr. Melancon evicting tenants. Mayor Ramsey encouraged Mr. Melancon to work with the tenants of the park and to take in to consideration the housing market that has be effected by the recent flooding event. Other than his suggestion the Mayor informed all parties that this was a private matter and the City took no position in the matter.

There being no additional comments and no additional business to discuss, Mr. Jonathan Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paul Robert to adjourn.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

MAYOR RICK RAMSEY

ATTEST:

Livingston Parish Convention and Visitor's Bureau will hold their Board Meeting on Thursday, January 19, 2016 at 11:00 at P-beaus in Denham Springs.

The Livingston Parish Recreation District #2 is currently accepting bids for **Team Sports Photography** for all activities for the 2017 season. Please contact the Livingston Parish Recreation District #2 office at the Live Oak Sports Complex by email at losc@lprd2.com or at the Live Oak Sports Complex 36965 La. Hwy 16 Denham Springs, La 70706 Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:00pm for the bid specifications. All sealed bid forms must be received by Tuesday February 7, 2017 at 4:00pm. Bids will be opened at the Livingston Parish Recreation District #2 board meeting on February 8, 2017 7:00pm.

The Livingston Parish Recreation District #2 is currently accepting bids for **Team Sports Uniforms** for all activities for the 2017 season. Please contact the Livingston Parish Recreation District #2 office at the Live Oak Sports Complex by email at losc@lprd2.com or at the Live Oak Sports Complex 36965 La. Hwy 16 Denham Springs, La 70706 Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:00pm for the bid specifications. All sealed bid forms must be received by Tuesday February 7, 2017 at 4:00pm. Bids will be opened at the Livingston Parish Recreation District #2 board meeting on February 8, 2017 7:00pm.

The Livingston Parish Recreation District #2 is currently accepting bids for **Sports Equipment** for all activities for the 2017 season. Please contact the Livingston Parish Recreation District #2 office at the Live Oak Sports Complex by email at losc@lprd2.com or at the Live Oak Sports Complex 36965 La. Hwy 16 Denham Springs, La 70706 Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:00pm for the bid specifications. All sealed bid forms must be received by Tuesday February 7, 2017 at 4:00pm. Bids will be opened at the Livingston Parish Recreation District #2 board meeting on February 8, 2017 7:00pm.

The Livingston Parish Recreation District #2 is currently accepting bids for a **Concessions Vendor** for all activities for the 2017 season. Please contact the Livingston Parish Recreation District #2 office at the Live Oak Sports Complex by email at losc@lprd2.com or at the Live Oak Sports Complex 36965 La. Hwy 16 Denham Springs, La 70706 Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:00pm for the bid specifications. All sealed bid forms must be received by Tuesday February 7, 2017 at 4:00pm. Bids will be opened at the Livingston Parish Recreation District #2 board meeting on February 8, 2017 7:00pm.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LIVINGSTON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD TAKEN AT A REGULAR SESSION HELD AT THE LIVINGSTON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE, SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM, 13909 FLORIDA BLVD., LIVINGSTON, LOUISIANA ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2016:

The Livingston Parish School Board met in a regular session in the School Board Office Conference Room, 13909 Florida Blvd., Livingston, Louisiana on Thursday, December 8, 2016, at seven o'clock PM pursuant to the following notice:

December 2, 2016

There will be a Regular Meeting of the Livingston Parish School Board at the School Board Office, 13909 Florida Blvd., Livingston, Louisiana on **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2016**, at **SEVEN O'CLOCK PM** for the following purpose and to take whatever action is necessary:

1. Approval of the minutes of the School Board Meeting held on November 17, 2016
2. Consideration of a resolution giving preliminary approval to the issuance of Revenue Bonds or other Obligations of the Parish School Board of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana; in one or more Series, for the purpose of financing the demolition, acquisition, construction, renovation, repair and improvement of flood damaged school facilities, including all necessary furnishings, fixtures, equipment and materials and providing certain terms of said Bonds, making application to the State Bond Commission for the approval of said Bonds, and providing for other matters in connection therewith - David Henderson, Foley & Judell, LLP
3. Approval of Change Order No. 2 for additions and renovations, Walker High School - Ziler & Associates, "Professional of Record"; M. D. Descant, LLC, Contractor - Jim Ziler
4. Approval of Change Order No. 1 for roofing project, Live Oak Middle School - Ziler & Associate, "Professional of Record"; Rowell Roofing, Inc., Contractor - Jim Ziler
5. Approval of Notice of Substantial Completion for roof replacement/repair, Northside Elementary School - Alvin Fairburn & Associates, "Professional of Record"; Roofing Solutions, LLC, Contractor - Gene Eleazar
6. Discussion and action on the Superintendent's recommendation for the following position:
   A. Principal - French Settlement High School
7. Approval of Volunteer Coaches for the 2016-2017 school year - Assistant Superintendent Steve Parrill
8. Approval of Personnel Changes - Human Resource Director Bruce Chaffin (See attached lists)
9. Approval of payment of invoices

(The Livingston Parish School Board reserves the right to enter into an Executive Session, if needed, in accordance with LSA-R.S. 42:17 et seq. to review matters of litigation strategy and settlement negotiations.)

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact Debra Sawyer of the LPPS Special Education office at (225) 686-4248. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the LPPS to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting.

BY ORDER OF THE PRESIDENT,

Sincerely,

Homer "Rick" Wentzel, Superintendent and Ex-Officio Secretary

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The meeting was called to order by President Malcolm Sibley, and upon roll call the following members were present:

PRESENT: Ms. Kellee Dickerson, Ms. Jan Benton, Ms. Karen Schmitt, Mr. Buddy Mincey, Jr., Mr. Jeff Cox, Mr. James Watson, Mr. James Richardson, Mr. Sid Kinchen, Mr. Malcolm Sibley
ABSENT: None

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1. A motion was offered by Ms. Schmitt, seconded by Ms. Dickerson to approve the minutes of the Livingston Parish School Board meeting held on November 17, 2016. The vote on the motion was as follows:

   YEAS: Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Benton, Ms. Schmitt, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Kinchen, Mr. Sibley
   NAYS: None
   ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

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2. The following resolution was offered by Mr. Mincey, seconded by Ms. Benton:

RESOLUTION

A resolution giving preliminary approval to the issuance of not to exceed Forty-Five Million Dollars ($45,000,000) of Revenue Bonds or other Obligations of the Parish School Board of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana; in one or more Series, on a taxable or tax-exempt basis, for the purpose of financing the demolition, acquisition, construction, renovation, repair and improvement of flood damaged school facilities, including all necessary furnishings, fixtures, equipment and materials, and paying the costs incurred in connection with the issuance of the Bonds and providing certain terms of said Bonds, making application to the State Bond Commission for the approval of said Bonds, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, Section 1430 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (the "Act"), and other applicable constitutional and statutory authority, authorizes the Issuer to make and enter into contracts dedicating the excess of annual revenues of subsequent years, from any source, above statutory, necessary and usual charges to the payment of the cost of public improvements which are to be borne by the Issuer under such contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Parish School Board of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana (the "Issuer" or the "District"), for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, shows an excess of revenues over statutory, necessary and usual charges and all other expenses for such fiscal year, sufficient to meet the maximum principal and interest requirements in any future year on the bonds authorized herein, and the Issuer will herein obligate itself and its successors in office to budget and set aside annually adequate funds for the payment of such bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer desires to incur debt and issue not exceeding Forty-Five Million Dollars ($45,000,000) of Revenue Bonds or other Obligations (the "Bonds"), for the purpose of financing the demolition, acquisition, construction, renovation, repair and improvement of flood damaged school facilities, including all necessary furnishings, fixtures, equipment and materials, and paying the costs incurred in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, said Bonds to be payable from the excess of annual revenues of the Issuer above statutory, necessary and usual charges in each of the fiscal years during which the Bonds are outstanding; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer is not now a party to any contract pledging or dedicating the excess of revenues EXCEPT: Certificates of Indebtedness (Taxable QSCB), Series 2009-A and Certificates of Indebtedness (Taxable QSCB), Series 2009-B; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer desires to make formal application to the State Bond Commission for approval of the Bonds, and further to employ special bond counsel in connection therewith;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Parish School Board of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of Parish School Board of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana (the "Issuer"), that:

SECTION 1. Preliminary Approval of Revenue Bonds. Preliminary approval is given to the issuance, in one or more series, of not exceeding $45,000,000 of Revenue Bonds (the "Bonds") of Parish School Board of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana (the "Issuer"), pursuant to Section 1430 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, for the purpose of financing the demolition, acquisition, construction, renovation, repair and improvement of flood damaged school facilities, including all necessary furnishings, fixtures, equipment and materials, and paying the costs incurred in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, said Bonds to be payable from the

excess of annual revenues of the Issuer above statutory, necessary and usual charges in each of the fiscal years during which the Bonds are outstanding. The Bonds will be issued at an interest rate not exceeding 6% per annum on a fixed rate basis and/or 8% per annum on a variable rate basis, and shall mature over a period no later than 30 years from the date of issuance. The Bonds shall be issued in fully registered form, shall be sold to the purchasers thereof at a price of not less than 97% of par, plus accrued interest, if any, and shall have such additional terms and provisions as may be determined by the Issuer.

SECTION 2. State Bond Commission Approval. Application be and the same is hereby formally made to the State Bond Commission, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, for its consent and authority to issue and sell the Bonds, and a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of the Issuer, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application. By virtue of applicant/issuer's application for, acceptance and utilization of the benefits of the Louisiana State Bond Commission's approval(s) resolved and set forth herein, it resolves that it understands and agrees that such approval(s) are expressly conditioned upon, and it further resolves that it understands, agrees and binds itself, its successors and assigns to, full and continuing compliance with the "State Bond Commission Policy on Approval of Proposed Use of Swaps, or other forms of Derivative Products Hedges, Etc.", adopted by the Commission on July 20, 2006, as to the borrowing(s) and other matter(s) subject to the approval(s), including subsequent application and approval under said Policy of the implementation or use of any swap(s) or other product(s) or enhancement(s) covered thereby.

SECTION 3. Employment of Bond Counsel. This Governing Authority finds and determines that a real necessity exists for the employment of special counsel in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, and accordingly, Foley & Judell, L.L.P., of New Orleans, Louisiana, as Bond Counsel, is hereby employed to do and perform work of a traditional legal nature as bond counsel with respect to the issuance and sale of said Bonds. Said Bond Counsel shall prepare and submit to this Governing Authority for adoption all of the proceedings incidental to the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of such Bonds, shall counsel and advise this Governing Authority as to the issuance and sale thereof and shall furnish its opinions covering the legality of the issuance of the Bonds. The fee of Bond Counsel for each series of bonds shall be fixed at a sum not exceeding the fee allowed by the Attorney General's fee guidelines for such bond counsel work in connection with the issuance of such series of bonds and based on the amount of said Bonds actually issued, sold, delivered and paid for, plus "out-of-pocket" expenses, said fees to be contingent upon the issuance, sale and delivery of said bonds. The President is hereby authorized and directed to execute, and this Governing Authority hereby agrees to and accepts the terms of, the engagement letter in the form presented at this meeting. A certified copy of this resolution shall be submitted to the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana for his written approval of said employment and of the fees herein designated, and the President for the Issuer is hereby empowered and directed to provide for payment of the work herein specified upon completion thereof and under the conditions herein enumerated.

SECTION 4. Financial Advisor. Raymond James & Associates Inc., of New Orleans, Louisiana, is hereby appointed as financial advisor in connection with issuing all or any portion of the Bonds, any compensation to be subsequently approved by the Issuer and to be paid from the proceeds of the Bonds and contingent upon the issuance of the Bonds; provided that no compensation shall be due to said financial advisor unless the Bonds are sold and delivered.

SECTION 5. Declaration of Official Intent. Prior to the delivery of the Bonds, the Issuer anticipates that it may pay a portion of the costs of the project from available funds. The project includes specifically capital projects. Upon the issuance of the Bonds, the Issuer reasonably expects to reimburse any such expenditures of other available funds from a portion of the proceeds of the Bonds. Any such allocation of proceeds of the Bonds for reimbursement will be with respect to capital expenditures (as defined in Reg. 1.150-1(b)) and will be made upon the delivery of the Bonds and not later than one year after the later of (i) the date such expenditure was paid or (ii) the date on which the project was placed in service. This Section is intended to be a declaration of official intent within the meaning of Reg. 1.150-2.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 8th day of December, 2016.

Secretary-Treasurer President

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

I, the undersigned Secretary-Treasurer of the Parish School Board of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, do hereby certify that the foregoing pages constitute a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Parish School Board on December 8, 2016, giving preliminary approval to the issuance of not to exceed Forty-Five Million Dollars ($45,000,000) of Revenue Bonds or other Obligations of the Parish School Board of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana; in one or more Series, on a taxable or tax-exempt basis, for the purpose of financing the demolition, acquisition, construction, renovation, repair and improvement of flood damaged school facilities, including all necessary furnishings, fixtures, equipment and materials, and paying the costs incurred in connection with the issuance of the Bonds and providing certain terms of said Bonds, making application to the State Bond Commission for the approval of said Bonds, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, witness my official signature on this, the 8th day of December, 2016.

Secretary-Treasurer

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Benton, Ms. Schmitt, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Kinchen, Mr. Sibley
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

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4. Change Order No. 1 for roofing project, Live Oak Middle School - Ziler & Associate, "Professional of Record"; Rowell Roofing, Inc., Contractor, was approved upon motion offered by Ms. Dickerson, seconded by Ms. Schmitt as follows: the Contract Sum will be increased by this Change Order in the amount of $15,509.00. Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Benton, Ms. Schmitt, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Kinchen, Mr. Sibley
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

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5. A motion was offered by Ms. Benton, seconded by Ms. Schmitt to approve the Notice of Substantial Completion for roof replacement/repair, Northside Elementary School - Alvin Fairburn & Associates, "Professional of Record"; Roofing Solutions, LLC, Contractor. Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Benton, Ms. Schmitt, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Kinchen, Mr. Sibley
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

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6. A. The Superintendent recommended the appointment of William Lee Hawkins for the position of Principal, French Settlement High School, with a performance-based contract effective January 3, 2017 - June 30, 2019. A motion was offered by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Kinchen to accept the Superintendent's recommendation, and the vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Benton, Ms. Schmitt, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Kinchen, Mr. Sibley
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

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7. A motion was offered by Ms. Dickerson, seconded by Ms. Benton to approve the following Volunteer Coaches for the 2016-2017 School Year as presented by Assistant Superintendent Steve Parrill:

Live Oak High School	-	Denver Bankston
Live Oak Middle School	-	Wade Patterson
Live Oak Middle School	-	John Blanchard

Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Benton, Ms. Schmitt, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Kinchen, Mr. Sibley
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

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8. A motion was offered by Mr. Kinchen, seconded by Mr. Watson to approve the Personnel Changes as submitted by the Personnel Department: (A copy of the Personnel Lists is hereby attached and becomes a part of these minutes.) Upon being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Benton, Ms. Schmitt, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Kinchen, Mr. Sibley
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

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9. Payment of invoices was approved upon motion offered by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Watson, and the vote on the motion was as follows:

YEAS: Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Benton, Ms. Schmitt, Mr. Mincey, Mr. Cox, Mr. Watson, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Kinchen, Mr. Sibley
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The President declared that the motion carried and was duly adopted.

There being no further business before the Board, the President declared that the meeting adjourn, and the Board adjourned at 7:23 PM until Thursday, January 5, 2017.

/s/ Homer Wentzel
Homer Wentzel, Superintendent
And Ex-Officio Secretary

/s/ Malcolm Sibley
Malcolm Sibley
President

SHERIFF SALES

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.
VERSUS NO. 154039
EASLEY, WALLACE YOUNG JR

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of DECEMBER 13, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
EASLEY, WALLACE YOUNG JR

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

One (1) certain lot or parcel of ground, together with all buildings and improvements thereon, situated in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, in that subdivision known as HICKORY GLEN ESTATES, and designated on the official map thereof, on file and of record with the office of the Clerk and Recorder for the Parish of LIVINGTSON, State of Louisiana, as LOT NUMBER EIGHT (8), said subdivision, said lot having such measurements and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes and restrictions as are more particularly shown on said map; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITHOUT the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

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Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day DECEMBER 16, 2016.

Attorney: LOGAN MASSEY

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Jason Ard, Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
VERSUS NO. 153872
HERMAN C. VICKNAIR, JR. A/K/A HERMAN VICKNAIR, JR. AND REGINA S. VICKNAIR A/K/A REGINA VICKNAIR

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of DECEMBER 15, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
HERMAN C. VICKNAIR, JR.
REGINA SPINKS VICKNAIR

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

That certain lot or parcel of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and, advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in Section 43, T8S, R4E, in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, containing 1.725 acres, as shown on that plat of survey entitled "Plat of survey of a certain tract of land for Regina Spinks and Herman Vicknair, Jr.," made by John W. Lay, Sr., Registered Land Surveyor dated April 2, 2000, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, said tract having such measurements and dimensions as indicated on said map and being subject to such servitudes and restrictions as are of record in the office of the clerk and recorder for the Parish of Livingston, Louisiana.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day DECEMBER 19, 2016.

Attorney: COREY J. GIROIR

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

CAPITAL ONE, N.A.
VERSUS NO. 152664
MATTHEW A BILELLO AND SHANNON P. BILELLO

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of JULY 12, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
MATTHEW A. BILELLO
SHANNON P. BILELLO

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND, TOGETHER WITH ALL THE BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, AND ALL OF THE RIGHTS, WAYS, PRIVILEGES, SERVITUDES, APPURTENANCES AND ADVANTAGES THEREUNTO BELONGING OR IN ANWISE APPERTAINING, DESCRIBED SITUATED IN THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON, STATE OF LOUISIANA. THEREOF KNOWN AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT:

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CHINQUAPIN CAMPSITES, FIRST FILING, AND BEING DESIGNATED AS LOT NO. 11, SAID SUBDIVISION, ALL ACCORDING TO PLAT FILED IN BOOK 42 PAGE 154.

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FURTHER IN ACCORDANCE WITH PLAN OF SURVEY BY LESTER A. MCLIN, JR., P.L.S., DATED NOVEMBER 8, 2012; COPY OF WHICH IS ANNEXED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF (ATTACH ACT OF SALE); SAID PROPERTY IS FURTHER DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

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LOT 11 OF CHINQUAPIN CAMPSITES, 1ST FILING, LOCATED IN SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 5 EAST, SOUTHEASTERN LAND DISTRICT, LIVINGSTON PARISH, LA; AS FOLLOWS TO WIT:

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COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF CHINQUAPIN CAMPSITES FIRST FILING; THENCE PROCEED SOUTH 89 DEGREES 39 MINUTES 45 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 293.25 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 87 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 37 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 290.64 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE DUE NORTH FOR A DISTANCE OF 85.52 FEET TO A POINT AND CORNER; THENCE SOUTH 83 DEGREES 53 MINUTES 16 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 50.29 FEET TO A POINT AND CORNER; THENCE DUE SOUTH FOR A DISTANCE OF 82.49 FEET TO A POINT AND CORNER; THENCE NORTH 87 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 37 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 50.05 FEET BACK TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and oustanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITHOUT the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day DECEMBER 27, 2016.

Attorney: ETHAN A. HUNT

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of JANUARY 22, 2015; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
JEREMY RAFAEL PONCE
HOLLEY DIXON PONCE

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

One(1) certain lot or parcel of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all of the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in that subdivision of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, known as SHELLY'S HOMESITES, and being designated on the official plan of said subdivision, on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, as LOT NUMBER TEN (10), SQUARE ONE (1), said subdivision, said lot having such measurements and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes as are more shown on said map.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

100% OF PURCHASE PRICE SHALL BE PAID IN CASH AT MOMENT OF ADJUDICATION.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day DECEMBER 29, 2016.

Attorney: HERSCHEL C. ADCOCK, JR.

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

JP MORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
VERSUS NO. 140436
CHRISTOPHER ALLEN GIFFIN, ET AL

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of MARCH 7, 2013; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
CHRISTOPHER ALLEN GIFFIN, ET AL
IRINA CUNEV

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

ONE (1) CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF GROUND, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, in that subdivision known as ROLLING MEADOW 1ST FILING, and designated on the official plan thereof, on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, as LOT NUMBER THIRTY (30), said subdivision, said lot having such measurements and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes and restrictions as are more particularly shown on said map.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

100% OF PURCHASE PRICE SHALL BE PAID IN CASH AT MOMENT OF ADJUDICATION.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day DECEMBER 16, 2016.

Attorney: CHARLES K. WATTS

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JANUARY 12, 2017 AND FEBRUARY 9, 2017

Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC
VERSUS NO. 151665
MATTHEW ALAN ROWE

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of DECEMBER 2, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
MATTHEW ALAN ROWE

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2017

One (1) certain lot or parcel of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all of the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, in that subdivision known as THE MEADOWS, SECOND FILING, PHASE II, and designated on the official plan thereof, on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, as LOT NUMBER ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE (153), said subdivision, said lot having such measurements and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes and restrictions as are more particularly shown on said map; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day DECEMBER 16, 2016.

Attorney: DONECIA BANKS-MILEY

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SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC
VERSUS NO. 154064
AUSTIN J. LOVING

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of DECEMBER 15, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
AUSTIN J. LOVING

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

One (1) certain piece or portion of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, in that subdivision known as EAST FORK ESTATES SUBDIVISION, and designated on the official plan thereof, on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, as LOT NUMBER THREE (3), said subdivision, said lot having such measurements and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes as are more particularly described on said subdivision map; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day DECEMBER 16, 2016.

Attorney: JASON R. SMITH

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SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC
VERSUS NO. 135222
BRETT J. ADAMS AND HEATHER FAULK ADAMS

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of DECEMBER 2, 2011; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
BRETT J. ADAMS
HEATHER FAULK ADAMS

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

ONE (1) CERTIAN LOT OR PARCEL OF GROUND, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in that subdivision of the Parish of LIVINGSTON, State of Louisiana, known as HIDDEN CREEK SUBDIVISION, and being designated on the official subdivision map, on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder for said parish and state, as LOT NUMBER 11, said subdivision, said lot having such measurements and dimensions as shown on said map; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA
VERSUS NO. 153941
WENDEL TRENT LEWIS A/K/A WENDEL T. LEWIS A/K/A WENDEL LEWIS AND FELECIA RENE JACOB-LEWIS A/K/A FELECIA JACOB-LEWIS A/K/A FELECIA RENE JACOB A/K/A FELECIA R. JACOB A/K/A FELECIA JACOB A/K/A FELECIA RENE LEWIS A/K/A FELECIA R. LEWIS A/K/A FELECIA LEWIS A/K/A FELECIA JACOB LEWIS A/K/A FELECIA J. LEWIS

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of DECEMBER 14, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
WENDEL TRENT LEWIS
FELECIA RENE JACOB-LEWIS

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

Lot 106, Livingston Trace Subdivision, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anyway appertaining located in Section 10 and Section 15, Township 7 South, Range 3 East, Greensburg Land District, Livingston Parish, Louisiana, as more particularly shown on a plat entitled "Final Plat of Livingston Trace" prepared by McLin & Associates, Inc., dated December 21, 2006, recorded in Livingston Parish, Louisiana at Plat Book 57, Page 7, Entry 625691, as revised by plat entitled Final Plat of Livingston Trace prepared by McLin & Associates, Inc., recorded March 27, 2007 in Livingston Parish at Plat Book 57, Page 245, Entry Numbers 633307 and 633307A; said lot having such measurements and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes as shown on the official recorded subdivision map.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day DECEMBER 20, 2016.

Attorney: COREY J. GIROIR

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
VERSUS NO. 153908
GILL, SONDRA J

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of DECEMBER 8, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
GILL, SONDRA J

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

A CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND, TOGETHER WITH ALL THE BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, AND ALL OF THE RIGHTS, WAYS, PRIVILEGES, SERVITUDES, APPURTENANCES AND ADVANTAGES THEREUNTO BELONGING OR IN ANYWISE APPERTAINING, SITUATED IN SECTION 43, T8S, R4E, LIVINGSTON PARISH, LOUISIANA BEING DESIGNATED AS TRACT A, CONTAINING 0.96 ACRES ON A MAP ENTITLED, "A SURVEY MAP SHOWING THE SUBDIVISION OF A 1.92 ACRE TRACT OF LAND INTO TRACTS "A" AND "B", LOCATED IN SECTION 43, T8S, R4E, G.L.D., LIVINGSTON PARISH, LA FOR THE HEIRS OF CONLEY WHITE BARNETT, DATED 7/8/94, BY LOUIS L. HIGGINBOTHAM, RECORDED AS 28/348 337147 OF THE OFFICIAL RECORDS OF LIVINGSTON PARISH, LOUISIANA. SUBJECT TO SUCH SERVITUDES AND RESTRICTIONS AS ARE MORE PARTICULARLY SHOWN ON SAID MAP; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

That certain manufactured home/mobile situated in the above described property, being a Cavalier Homes of Alabama, Serial Number CV01AL0448166A & CV01AL0448166B, Model Number 8004RS, VIN Number NTA1085583 & NTA1085584, 72x31, which said manufactured home/mobile home was immobolized pursuant to Declaration of Immobolization dated August 30, 2006 and filed for record as Instrument No. 615805 of the records of Livingston Parish, Louisiana.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITHOUT the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day DECEMBER 15, 2016.

Attorney: JASON R. SMITH

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SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, IN TRUST FOR THE REGISTERED HOLDERS OF CITIGROUP MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2007-AHL2, ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-AHL2
VERSUS NO. 150742
LENNOX, CYNTHIA ALLEN

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of JANUARY 6, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property belonging to:
LENNOX, CYNTHIA ALLEN

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

ONE (1) CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF GROUND, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in the Parish of Livingston, Louisiana, in that subdivision thereof known as EAGLE ACRES, and being designated on the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder for Livingston Parish, Louisiana, as LOT NUMBER 5, said subdivision; said lot having such bearings and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes and building line restrictions of record and as shown on the official subdivision plat.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

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Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day JANUARY 3, 2017.

Attorney: RADER JACKSON

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.
VERSUS NO. 153000
PAUL A. MITCHELL

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of DECEMBER 6, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property belonging to:
PAUL A. MITCHELL

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

A CERTAIN PIECE OR PORTION OF GROUND, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, being located in SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 5 EAST, GLD, more fully described as follows:

Commence at the SE corner of the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 32, Township 6 South, Range 5 East, and proceed W. 316.10 feet and corner; thence N 738.43 and corner; thence South 78 degrees 11 minutes 00 seconds West, 570.50 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

From the POINT OF BEGINNING, proceed South 00 degrees 22 minutes 24 seconds West, 257.99 feet and corner; thence South 81 degrees 25 minutes 00 seconds West 264.74 feet and corner; thence North 00 degrees 05 minutes 00 seconds East 242.25 feet and corner; thence North 78 degrees 11 minutes 00 seconds East 268.00 feet back to the Point of Beginning. All in accordance with a map by Louis L. Higginbotham, PLS. Dated March 24, 1994, a copy of which is in file and of record in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana containing 1.50 acres more or less. All in accordance with a survey by Lobell Engineering & Land Surveying LLC dated December 16, 2009.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITHOUT the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

100% OF PURCHASE PRICE SHALL BE PAID IN CASH AT MOMENT OF ADJUDICATION.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day JANUARY 4, 2017.

Attorney: DANIEL A. REED

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL LOUISIANA INC

cause, bearing date of JUNE 13, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property belonging to:
ARTTHUR WILLIAMS BAJO, JR., A/K/A ARTHUR WILLIAM BAJO, JR.,
KITRINA KAY BAJO A/K/A KITRINA KAY OGLE BAJO

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

That certain lot or parcel of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all of the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereon belonging or anywise appertaining, situated in the Parish of LIVINGSTON, State of Louisiana, in that subdivision known as MEADOW WOOD PARK, and being designated on the official plan of said subdivision, on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of said Parish and State, as LOT NUMBER FIFTY-SIX (56), said subdivision, said lot having such measurements and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes as shown on said subdivision map; subject to restriction, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

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Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day JANUARY 3, 2017.

Attorney: NICHOLAS G. CREST

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

EMBRACE HOME LOANS, INC.
VERSUS NO. 153298
RICKY WAYNE FULLER, SR. A/K/A RICKY W. FULLER. SR. A/K/A RICKY FULLER, SR. AND STACEY BEASLEY FULLER A/K/A STACY B. FULLER A/K/A STACY FULLER

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of OCTOBER 11, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property belonging to:
RICKY WAYNE FULLER, SR. A/K/A RICKY W. FULLER. SR. A/K/A RICKY FULLER, SR.
STACEY BEASLEY FULLER A/K/A STACY B. FULLER A/K/A STACY FULLER

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

One (1) certain lot or parcel of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in the Parish of Livingston, Louisiana, in that subdivision thereof known as Impton Estates, and being designated on the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder for Livingston Parish, Louisiana, as Lot Number 9, said subdivision: said lot having such bearings and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes and building line restrictions of record and as shown on the official subdivision plat.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITHOUT the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day DECEMBER 28, 2016.

Attorney: COREY J. GIROIR

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.
VERSUS NO. 149695
DOROTHEA LOUISE FABACHER AND PATRICK JAMES FABACHER

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of SEPTEMBER 15, 2015; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property belonging to:
DOROTHEA LOUISE FABACHER
PATRICK JAMES FABACHER

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

ONE (1) CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF GROUND, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, in that subdivision known as CHOCKTAW ACRES, and designated on the official plan thereof, on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, as LOT NUMBER TWO (2), said subdivision, said lot having such measurements and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes and restrictions as are more particularly shown on said map.

And

ONE (1) 2006 Scotbilt Homes, Inc. Manufactured Home/Legend Model Number 286013-LEG bearing serial number SBHGA1050601466A/B and measuring 28'x 60.3'

MUNICIPAL ADDRESS: 9965 COCHISE DRIVE, DENHAM SPRINGS, LA 70726

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITHOUT the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day NOVEMBER 21, 2016.

Attorney: DANIEL A. REED

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
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State of Louisiana

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SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC
VERSUS NO. 152288
WAYNE JOSEPH HERNANDEZ AND DEBRA BAUER HERNANDEZ, (A/K/A DEBRA HERNANDEZ, DEBRA BAUER)

Under and by virtue of a Writ of FIERI FACIAS issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of NOVEMBER 10, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property belonging to:
WAYNE JOSEPH HERNANDEZ
DEBRA BAUER HERNANDEZ, (A/K/A DEBRA HERNANDEZ, DEBRA BAUER)

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

That certain piece of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in that subdivision located in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, known as Willow Pointe, and being more particularly described on the official map of said subdivision on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder for the Parish of Livingston, Louisiana, as Lot Number Eighty (80), said subdivision, said lot having such measurements and dimensions as are indicated on said map, said lot being subject to such servitudes and restrictions as are more fully shown on said plat of survey and as are on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder for the Parish of Livingston, Lousiana.

Which has the address of 29275 Red Willow Drive, Denham Springs, LA 70726

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day NOVEMBER 21, 2016.

Attorney: LINDSAY G. FAULKNER

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

DITECH FINANCIAL LLC F/K/A GREEN TREE SERVICING LLC AS ATTORNEY IN FACT FOR EVERBANK
VERSUS NO. 150515
GRACE S. RILEY

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of DECEMBER 4, 2015; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property belonging to:
GRACE S. RILEY

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

ONE (1) CERTAIN TRACT OF PARCEL OF GROUND, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, located in Section 25, T-6-S, R-3-E, Livingston Parish, Louisiana, containing 0.75 acres more or less, shown as TRACT B-1, and being more particularly described as follows: Starting at the N.W. corner of Section 25, T-6-S, R-3-E, run South 89 deg. 14'24" East for 637.67 feet and corner; thence run South 01 deg. 30'09" East for 276.55 feet to POINT OF BEGINNING, thence run North 87 deg. 31'26" East for 146.84 feet and corner; thence run South 01 deg. 30'09" East for

are on said plat; and

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One (1) 1990 Southern Lifestyle mobile home, Serial No. 3746AB

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Appearers further declare that the mobile home is permanently attached to the property, and that Appearers make this declaration for the purpose of legally immobolizing the mobile home to the property in accordance with LA Revised Statutes Title 9, Section 1149.4.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day NOVEMBER 21, 2016.

Attorney: SHAWN M. BORDELON

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
VERSUS NO. 152921
BRITNEY SIEFFORD BAILEY WIFE OF/AND RONALD STEPHEN BAILEY, JR

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of AUGUST 8, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
BRITNEY SIEFFORD BAILEY
RONALD STEPHEN BAILEY, JR.

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF GROUND, together with all buildings and improvements thereon, and with all of the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in that subdivision of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisina, known as Woodland Crossing Subdivision, a subdivision situated in Section 11, T7S, R3E, Greensburg Land District of Louisiana, Livingston Parish, Louisiana, the plat of said subdivision being made by G.L. Lessard, Sr., Professional Land Surveyor, dated October 11, 2002 and recorded in Livingston Parish, Louisiana more particularly described as Lot Number One Hundred Seven (107), said subdivision, said lot having such measurements and dimensions as indicated and said map and being subject to such servitudes and restrictions as are of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder for the Parish of Livingston, Louisiana.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

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Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day NOVEMBER 22, 2016.

Attorney: FRED J. DAIGLE

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
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State of Louisiana

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SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

FIRST GUARANTY BANK
VERSUS NO. 136499
JONATHAN DAVISON AND DUSTY DOUGLAS DAVISON

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of MARCH 22, 2012; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
JONATHAN DAVISON
DUSTY DOUGLAS DAVISON

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

That certain lot or parcel of ground, together with all buildings and improvements thereon, situated in Section 34, Township 5 South, Range 3 East, in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, designated as Lot 1-A, and being more particularly described on that certain plat of survey entitled "Map Showing Subdivision of a 34.04 Acre Tract located in Section 34, Township 5 South, Range 3 East, Livingston Parish, LA for Natchez Corp. "made by Alvin Fairburn, Sr., Civil Engineer & Land Surveyor, dated February 18,1982, a copy of which recorded at COB 830, Page 443, Entry 522622, said lot having such measurements and dimensions as indicated on said map and being subject to such servitudes and restrictions as are of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder for the Parish of Livingston, Restrictions are recorded at COB 363, Page 434 and COB 306, Page 158 of said parish and state.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
VERSUS NO. 150647
TRAVIS S. MANCUSO AND STACY R. MANCUSO

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of DECEMBER 15, 2015; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
TRAVIS S. MANCUSO
STACY R. MANCUSO

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

One (1) certain lot or parcel of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in that subdivision in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, known as WOODLAND CROSSING SUBDIVISION a subdivision situated in Sections 11, Township 7 South, Range 3 East, Greensburg Land District of Louisiana, Livingston Parish, Louisiana, the plat of said subdivision being made by G.L. Lessard, Sr., Professional Land Surveyor, dated October 11, 2002 and recorded in Livingston Parish, Louisiana more particularly described as LOT ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVEN (167), said subdivision, said lot having such measurements and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes as shown on the official recorded subdivision map; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITHOUT the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day NOVEMBER 28, 2016.

Attorney: JASON R. SMITH

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

BAYVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC
VERSUS NO. 145648
SONGY AND SONS PAINTING, LLC AND NATHAN SONGY

Under and by virtue of a Writ of FIERI FACIAS issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of SEPTEMBER 11, 2015; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
SONGY AND SONS PAINTING, LLC
NATHAN SONGY

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

That certain piece of ground, together with all the buildings, component parts, and improvements thereon, and all the rights, ways privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in that subdivision located in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, known as MILEY'S SUBDIVISION and being designated as LOT FIVE-A (5-A) on a map entitled "A Final Plat Showing the Resubdivision of Lots 2-A & 5-A, located in Section 59, T6S-R2E, for Floyd Harris....," dated January 24, 1997, made by Louis L. Higginbotham, PLS, which is recorded at Plat Book 32, Page 14, Entry No. 378070, in the office of the Clerk and Recorder for Livingston Parish, Louisiana; said lot having such bearings and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes and building line restrictions of record and as shown on said map; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITHOUT the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day NOVEMBER 28, 2016.

Attorney: ETHAN HUNT

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of MAY 23, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
MARGARET A. WATSON A/K/A MARGARET ANN WATSON

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

ONE (1) CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF GROUND, together with all the buildings and improvements theron, and all the rights, ways, priviliges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in the Parish of Livingston, Louisiana, in that subdivision thereof known as CRESTWOOD, and being designated on the official plat thereof on file and or record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder for Livingston Parish, Louisiana, as LOT NUMBER 171, said subdivision: said lot having such bearings and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes and building line restrictions of record and as shown on the official subdivison plat.

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Said improvements bear the Municipal no. 36268 Greenville Avenue, Denham Springs, LA 70706-8551.

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Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day NOVEMBER 28, 2016.

Attorney: WILLIAM D. OREGAN II

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

CITIMORTGAGE, INC.
VERSUS NO. 142241
ROBERTS, BRANDY

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of NOVEMBER 14, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
ROBERTS, BRANDY

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED, LYING AND BENG IN DENHAM SPRINGS, LIVINGSTON PARISH, LOUISIANA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

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ONE (1) CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF GROUND, TOGETHER WITH ALL THE BUILDINGS AND INMPROVEMENTS THEREON, AND ALL THE RIGHTS, WAYS, PRIVELEGES, SERVITUDES, APPURTENANCES AND ADVANTAGES THEREUNTO BELONGING OR IN ANYWISE APPERTAINING, SITUATED IN THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON, STATE OF LOUISIANA, IN THAT SUBDIVISION KNOWN AS SOUTH POINT SUBDIVISION, SEVENTH FILING AND DESIGNATED ON THE OFFICIAL PLAN THEREOF, ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK AND RECORDER OF THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON, STATE OF LOUISIANA, AS LOT NUMBER FIVE HUNDRED FOUR (504), SAID SUBDIVISION, SAID LOT HAVING SUCH MEASUREMENTS AND DIMENSIONS AND BEING SUBJECT TO SUCH SERVITUDES AND RESTRICTIONS AS ARE MORE PARTICULARLY SHOWN ON SAID MAP.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITHOUT the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day NOVEMBER 17, 2016.

Attorney: ANNE RAYMOND

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC D/B/A CHAMPION MORTGAGE COMPANY
VERSUS NO. 152097
THE UNOPENED SUCCESSION OF EDGAR A. JENNINGS, JR., (A/K/A EDGAR ALLEN JENNINGS, JR., EDGAR ALLEN JENNINGS)

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of MAY 10, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
THE UNOPENED SUCCESSION OF EDGAR A. JENNINGS, JR., (A/K/A EDGAR ALLEN JENNINGS, JR., EDGAR ALLEN JENNINGS)

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

A certain lot of parcel of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in that subdivision of the City of Denham Springs, Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, known as Terrelle Place Subdivision, and being more particularly shown and described. According to the official plat of said subdivison made by Alex Theriot, Jr., C.E., dated July 22, 1971, recorded as entry #84,475 of the records of said Livingston Parish, as Lot Number Nine (9), said Terrelle Place Subdivision, said lot fronting ninety (90') feet on the east margin of Angee Drive, by a depth of one hundred sixty-three and 40/100 (163.40') feet on its north sideline, a depth of one hundred sixty-three and 50/100 (163.50') feet on its South Sideline, and measuring ninety (90') feet across the rear. Being subject to a five (5') foot sidewalk servitude across the front, a ten (10') foot servitude for public utilities and a thirty (30') foot drainage servitude across the rear, all as shown on said subdivision plat.

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Which has the address of 910 Angee Drive, Denham Springs, LA 70726

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITHOUT the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

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Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day NOVEMBER 29, 2016.

Attorney: PENNY M. DAIGREPONT

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.
VERSUS NO. 149339
SHERVISA SULLIVAN

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of AUGUST 14, 2015; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
SHERVISA SULLIVAN

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

Lot 23, Livingston Trace Subdivision, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anyway appertaining located in Section 10 and Section 15, Township 7 South, Range 3 East, Greensburg Land District, Livingston Parish, Louisiana, as more particularly shown on a plat entitled "Final Plat of Livingston Trace" prepared by McLin & Associates, Inc., dated December 21, 2006, recorded in Livingston Parish, Louisiana at Plat Book 57, Page 7, Entry 625691, as revised by plat entitled Final Plat of Livingston Trace prepared by McLin & Associates, Inc., recorded March 27, 2007 in Livingston Parish at Plat Book 57, Page 245, Entry Numbers 633307 and 633307A; said lot having such measurements and dimensions and being subject to such servitudes as shown on the official recorded subdivision map.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITHOUT the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day NOVEMBER 10, 2016.

Attorney: DANIEL A. REED

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC
VERSUS NO. 153682
CORY L. MILLS, A/K/A CORY LYNN MILLS

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of NOVEMBER 15, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
CORY L. MILLS, A/K/A CORY LYNN MILLS

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

LOT NUMBER 105, PINE MEADOWS SUBDIVISION, a certain lot or parcel of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all of the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging to or in anywise appertaining, situated in the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, said Subdivision being located in Section 25, 35, 36; Township 7 South, Range 3 East; Greensburg Land District, Livingston Parish, Louisiana, as shown on a plat entitled, "Final Plat of Pine Meadows," prepared by McLin & Associates, Inc., dated November 29, 2007, recorded November 29, 2007, in Map Book 59, folio 56, File 656445, records of Livingston, Louisiana; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH

Attorney: JASON R. SMITH

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

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SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
VERSUS NO. 140756
JAMES KEITH NEWELL A/K/A JAMES K. NEWELL A/K/A JAMES NEWELL AND KAREN LYNN MILLER NEWELL A/K/A KAREN L. NEWELL A/K/A KAREN MILLER NEWELL A/K/A KAREN M. NEWELL A/K/A KAREN NEWELL

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of APRIL 8, 2013; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
JAMES KEITH NEWELL A/K/A JAMES K. NEWELL A/K/A JAMES NEWELL
KAREN LYNN MILLER NEWELL A/K/A KAREN L. NEWELL A/K/A
KAREN MILLER NEWELL A/K/A KAREN M. NEWELL A/K/A KAREN NEWELL

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

A CERTAIN PIECE OR PARCEL OF GROUND, SITUATED IN THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON, STATE OF LOUISIANA, IN THAT SUBDIVISION KNOWN AS NEW TWIN PINE TERRACE SUBDIVISION, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL MAP OF SAID SUBDIVISION KNOWN AS "MAP OF SURVEY NEW TWIN PINE TERRACE SUBDIVISION", BEING A RE-SUBDIVISION OF A PORTION OF THE ORIGINAL TWIN PINES SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN SECTION 23, T67, R6E, IN THE TOWN OF ALBANY, LOUISIANA, PARISH OF LIVINGSTON, ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT AND RECORDER FOR THE SAID PARISH AND STATE, AS LOT NUMBER 201, BLOCK 3, SAID SUBDIVISION, SAID LOT HAVING SUCH MEASURING AND DIMENSIONS AND BEING SUBJECT TO SUCH SERVITUDES AS SHOWN ON SAID MAP.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day NOVEMBER 30, 2016.

Attorney: COREY GIROR

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
VERSUS NO. 150723
BRENDA CLOUD STAMM A/K/A BRENDA HINKSON CLOUD JOHNSON CARROLL STAMM AND HOWARD JAMES STAMM

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of JANUARY 7, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
BRENDA CLOUD STAMM A/K/A BRENDA HINKSON CLOUD JOHNSON
CARROLL STAMM
HOWARD JAMES STAMM

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

TWO (2) certain pieces or portions of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in Section 56, Township 8 South, Range 4 East, Parish of LIVINGSTON, State of Louisiana, in that subdivision known as BAYSIDE SUBDIVISION, as LOT NUMBER THIRTY (30) and LOT NUMBER THIRTY ONE (31), as per plat of survey recorded in Livingston Parish, Louisiana, by John D. Adams, R.L.S., dated 9/27/69; subject to restrictions, servitudes, rights-of-way and outstanding mineral rights of record affecting the property.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day NOVEMBER 29, 2016.

Attorney: ETHAN A. HUNT

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

cause, bearing date of JULY 5, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
EVAN J. FEKETE
CYNTHIA A. FEKETE

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

A certain tract or parcel of land, together with all building, improvements and component parts, situated in Livingston Parish, Louisiana, in Section 28 & 51, Township 7 South, Range 6 East, being designated as TRACT NUMBER A-2-B on map entitled "Map Showing Family Partition of Tract A-2, being a Certain 10.502 Acre Tract of Land Into Tracts A-2-A, A-2-B, A-2-c, & A-2-D, Located in Sections 38 & 51, T7S, R6E, GLD, Livingston Parish, Louisiana for Everet J. Fekete", made by Scott M. Lobell, P.E., P.L.S., dated January 11, 2011, recorded as Map Book 63, page 54, File Number 738507 in Livingston Parish records and incorporated herein by reference, said lot having such measurements and dimensions as indicated on said map and being subject to such servitudes and restrictions as are of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder for the Parish of Livingston, Louisiana.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day NOVEMBER 14, 2016.

Attorney: MICHAEL J. UTER

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
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State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

J.P. MORGAN ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2005-S1, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO WACHOVIA BANK, N.A., AS TRUSTEE
VERSUS NO. 152908
WILLIAM NELSON MULLINS

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of AUGUST 3, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
WILLIAM NELSON MULLINS

Defendants.

I have seized and taken into my official custody the property hereinafter described, and will offer to sell on:

WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2017

during legal sale hours of said day beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., at the principal front door of the Courthouse, in the Town of Livingston, said Parish and State, the following described property, to-wit:

A certain piece or parcel of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon containing 5.862 acres, situated and being in Section 28, Township 7 South, Range 6 East, Livingston Parish, Louisiana, and being more particularly designated as Tract # 1 on a plat of survey by Ray D. Ivery, dated February 25, 1976, a copy of which is annexed to an act of Cash Sale recorded in Book 454; page 589, of the Conveyance Records of said Livingston Parish, said tract being described, according to said survey, as follows, to-wit:

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Commence at the Northwest corner of the Southeast Quarter

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From said Point of Beginning, proceed along the center line of a 20 foot gravel road, North 81 degrees 33' 40" West 172.3 feet and North 76 degrees 43' 40" West 628.95 feet to point and corner; thence south 417.34 feet to point and corner; thence South 89 degrees 52' 01" East 739.51 feet to the West margin of Louisiana Highway 1037, and corner; thence along same North 35 degrees 35' 37" East a distance of 73.64 feet; thence North a distance of 172.61 feet back to the Point of Beginning. All according to said plat of survey which is made a part hereof by reference.

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Which has the address of 23175 Hutchinson Road, Springfield, LA 70462.

Terms of Sale for Cash to the last and highest bidder WITH the benefit of appraisement and according to law.

CASHIERS CHECK AT TIME OF SALE WITH LETTER OF CREDIT

Sheriff's Office, Livingston, Louisiana on this day NOVEMBER 9, 2016.

Attorney: LINDSAY G. PAULKNER

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Jason Ard, Sheriff
Parish of Livingston
State of Louisiana

Deputy Sheriff

SHERIFF'S SALE

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF LOUISIANA
IN AND FOR THE PARISH OF LIVINGSTON

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.
VERSUS NO. 151101
SELSER, SHARON

Under and by virtue of a Writ of SEIZURE AND SALE issued out of the above Honorable Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, bearing date of FEBRUARY 17, 2016; and to me directed, commanding me to seize and sell CERTAIN IMMOVABLE property

belonging to:
SELSER, SHARON



LOCAL PASTOR TO BE HONORED ON MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY

THE REV. LEROY TAYLOR named 2017 honoree by Roberts United Methodist Church.



PHOTO SUBMITTED

By Tommy Comeaux
The Livingston Parish News

On Monday, Jan. 16, Roberts United Methodist Church will celebrate Martin Luther King Day with a walk and a program at the church, just as it has for years. And like past years, the church will honor someone for their contributions to the community.

This year's honoree is the Rev. Leroy Taylor, the pastor of three churches - New Zion Baptist Church in Denham Springs, New Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Kenner and Greater Rose Hill Baptist Church in Hammond. Taylor got word of his selection from Fred Banks, a member of Roberts.

"He said it was for all that I do for the community," Taylor said, then expressed surprise at his selection for the honor. "I told him there wasn't anything that I do personally, because what I do I do for Christ. The Lord just blessed me to help people."

The Kenner native - now a devoted Christian - admits he hasn't always lived the life of a preacher. He dropped out of high school, in large part because of the challenges of racism at a time when the schools were being desegregated.

"I strayed," Taylor admitted. "I always sang gospel songs but I didn't have a gospel life. And we were poor. My family was the family in my area most likely not to succeed."

"I got in the streets but I thank God that He had a plan for my life totally different from what I wanted to do," he said. "I'll tell anybody, if you want to do better in life, if you want to change, just try and God will see to it that there's somebody to help you."

Between his wife, John Ethel, teasing him because she had earned her GED and he hadn't and the realization at a family reunion that he was the only one of his siblings without a high school education - some had even gone on and earned college degrees - Taylor decided it was time for him to complete his education.

"I had to do some soul searching," he said. After earning his GED, he attended and graduated from Christian Bible College in Kenner. It seemed he had finally found his calling.

"I believe that the ministry is a divine calling," Taylor said. "I believe that every human being has a certain calling upon his or her life and mine just happened to be the ministry. That's what I believe I was put on this earth to do."

Later, he earned a bachelor's degree in science from Southern University, then a master's degree in psychology from King's University online and additional credit hours from Duke University in its Pastors Excellence program and another degree from the Stephen Alfold School of Ministry.

During his over three decades as a church pastor, Taylor has found the job to be challenging but rewarding.

"I wish that delivering the word of God was all that being a pastor required," he said. "It takes a very special person to be a pastor because of the fact that you have to have a love of people in order to understand them, feel what they feel and care about and in the process, trying to make them see it through a Biblical standpoint."

"It can become a challenge, but I can tell you this, I wouldn't trade it for anything in the world," Taylor said. "Like the apostle Paul said, 'The Lord is my strength,' that's where I get my happiness."

"Paul found himself in some precarious situations but his joy was that what he was doing, he was doing for Christ," he continued, explaining his own contentment comes in the same form as Paul's.

Taylor has found that as a pastor, his responsibilities to the community are far-reaching and varied.

"I have all kinds of roles - I have to act as the police sometime, I have to be the counselor, I have to be the teacher, I have to be the peacemaker," he said. "I involve myself in everything, even the stuff that no other person wants to be involved with, like those fellows that hang out on the corner."

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"That is my belief - that God places preachers in the church and in the community to serve the people of the community," he said. "If you ask anybody around here, they'll tell you, 'If you need help, if you can find Rev. Taylor, he'll help you.'"

That philosophy is what drew the Rev. Taylor to help during the recent Great Flood, during which over 100 people found refuge at his church when their homes flooded, some for as long as two weeks. During that time, Taylor's church was providing those flood victims with three meals a day.

"I was so busy helping other folks, I forgot I had a house under water myself," Taylor said. "Even with the loss of my car, the loss of my truck, I was focused on the joy of being able to help people when the flood initially hit."

"We were even feeding a lot of other people in this city when there was no Burger King, no McDonald's, everything was shut down," he said. "The Lord blessed us and with the help of my friends and the help from the Louisiana Baptist Convention, whatever I needed, they provided it for me."

Taylor said while he got no help from the Salvation Army, the American Red Cross or FEMA, the Baptist community - even the national Baptist convention and the conventions of other states - provided him with all the assistance he needed to help flood victims.

"Let me tell you how good God is," he continued. "I had churches from Mississippi, from Texas, just everybody has poured in and looked out for me and the people my church was helping."

"Everybody just stepped up and helped," Taylor said, singling out a friend who is a member of the Home Mission Board with the Louisiana Baptist Convention and the same board at the national level.

"I want to tip my hat to him," he said. "He stuck with me, even when it got tough."

And the people of Denham Springs pitched in and helped too, primarily through the donation of clothes.

"We had so many clothes, we're still giving away clothes," Taylor said, adding his church received so much assistance he was moved to tears at one point.

"I cried one day and I asked God, 'Why me?'" he said. "We had some of every kind of problem you could imagine, but no matter what the problem was, the good Lord came through for us."

"God has blessed me," Taylor said.

Roberts United Methodist Church will host a Martin Luther King Day celebration on Monday, Jan. 16, with a walk followed by a program at the church.



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Arts Council of Livingston Parish returns to normalcy following a year of turmoil

By Tommy Comeaux
The Livingston Parish News

For nearly five months following the Great Flood, the Arts Council of Livingston Parish building downtown was transformed primarily into the disaster offices of the Small Business Administration, but 2017 is a new beginning for the group.

A new exhibit has been hung, "A Celebration of Art," meetings will resume as normal and the council's art education in the schools program is coming back, said Arts Council Board of Directors President Mary Felder.

"The flood did not affect our building but the majority of our juried artists were affected and 11 of our 14 board members were as well so we were incapacitated," she said. "We were unable to deal with any of this with our homes flooded."

"The ones who didn't flood were taking other people in so we really were unable to do anything," Felder said.

With so many of the people involved in the arts organization affected by the flood, operations all but ceased. No meetings were held, no exhibitions were on display and little happened at the office except the council's secretary would stop by the office from time to time to check emails and phone messages and return whatever correspondence was needed.

Now that conditions have returned to closer to normal, the Arts Council will return to its regular schedule, which includes a new exhibit every month and free adult and children's classes will begin being held again.

"In fact, we have a children's class coming up this month as soon as I can get it scheduled," Felder said. "My plan is to have a class for adults and a children's class every month."

In addition to its exhibits and educational programs, the Arts Council is involved in numerous community events, like Spring Fest, the Denham Springs Fourth of July Celebration, Fall Fest, Cajun Christmas and this year, the organization will be the organizer of Art on Mattie Street.

"Our main mission is to support artists, to give them a venue for their art, give them an opportunity to connect with other artists and network," Felder said.

The Arts Council was in the process of a series of classes teaching artists how to set up shop on Facebook before the flood and "it was so popular, we'll do a repeat of that, probably as our first classes when we get back on schedule with them," she said.

"We try to have classes or sessions that will benefit the artists and to help them get their work out," Felder continued.

The new year will see the Arts Council return to its schedule of membership meetings with a different speaker at each one, art camps in the parish's elementary schools and in the summer for children at the Arts Council, the results of which impress the council's board president.

"…I get to go see the performance at the end of their classes and I'm always just astounded at what they can do and what they've learned," Felder said.

Located at 133 Hummell Street in downtown Denham Springs just a block east of the Antique District, the current show can be seen now. It includes not only oil and watercolor paintings, but photography and fiber arts as well.

"We call it 'A Celebration of Art' because we're starting over and I'm excited about it," Felder said.

The Arts Council can also be contacted by calling (225) 664-1168 or via email, artscouncilofliv@bellsouth.net.









Grant supports student scholarships for Online Academy at LSMSA

NATCHITOCHES – A generous grant from the Virginia Martin Howard Foundation will offer tuition assistance to students participating in the Online Academy offered through the Louisiana School for Math, Science, and the Arts.

The $25,000 grant provides scholarships for 45 students.

The Online Academy is for gifted/high potential 7th, 8th and 9th grade students who wish to receive advanced high school credit.

Student admission to the program is selective, and students must meet at least two of the eligibility requirements.

The eligibility requirements include participation in a school gifted program, recommendation by a gifted and talented designated teacher, scores on national tests in the 90th percentile and/or recognized by Duke TIP or other noted program.

Participants may register for Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Spanish I, French I, Latin I, Earth Science, Civics or Fine Arts Survey.

Courses will provide a rich educational experience for participating students.

These courses are rigorous, filled with engaging lessons, manipulatives and activities to address a student's deeper understanding of the course content.

Upon passing these courses, students will receive accelerated high school credit.

Students will have the flexibility to complete course work within a prescribed course schedule, but at their chosen time frame each school day.

As each student completes online activities, their progress will be assessed by the instructor and assistance provided to keep students on track toward their academic goals.

For more information about the Online Academy, visit www.LSMSA.edu, call 1-800-256-2854 or email virtualschool@lsmsa.edu.



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LSMSA students win awards at NSU Journalism Day

Four members of the student newspaper staff at the Louisiana School for Math, Science, and the Arts placed in competitions at the 43rd Journalism Day hosted by Northwestern State University on Nov. 4. The school newspaper, "The Renaissance," and yearbook, "The Rubicon," also received honors. Will Heitman, a sophomore from Baton Rouge, won first place in the radio competition. In the TV news category, Olivia Gotte, a junior from Iota, placed first. Winning in the media writing competition was Rosemarie Skillman, a sophomore from Denham Springs. Kaitlyn Randall, a junior from Vidalia, placed second in the media writing competition. In the newspaper competition, LSMSA won first place. The school's yearbook placed second. First place winners of each individual competition were awarded $500 scholarships to attend NSU and major in communication. Also competing were Caroline Jin, a junior from Shreveport, and Alena Noakes, a junior from Dry Prong. Pictured are (front row, from left) Olivia Gotte, Kaitlyn Randall, (second row) Will Heitman, Rosemarie Skillman, Alena Noakes, Caroline Jin, and Thorn LaCaze, newspaper sponsor.

Reception honors artists featured in alumni art show at LSMSA, includes Watson native

NATCHITOCHES – Since its opening in 1983, the Louisiana School for Math, Science, and the Arts has offered students a wide variety of visual arts opportunities.

Through the decades, thousands have been exposed to lessons in painting and drawing, sculpture, photography, design, printmaking and video art. These students also enjoyed a rich cross-disciplinary exchange with the performing arts, including theater, dance, music and spoken word. Alumni carry on their interest in arts today, through fields as diverse as set design, computing, comics, Mardi Gras costuming, filmmaking and culinary experimentation.

"Alumni often describe LSMSA as a place where they were first challenged to take greater risks or exposed to difficult new ideas," said Laura Blereau, a member of the Class of 1994 and co-organizer of "Past Perfect," the alumni art show now on display in the art gallery of the Center for Performance and Technology. "The camaraderie fostered in this boarding school environment is unique, and that has always played an important part in the development of our creative communities.

"The bonding and mentorship that fellow colleagues experience in Natchitoches can be transcendent."

The alumni art show features works by 17 former students, and is the first exhibit to focus exclusively on the art of LSMSA alumni. It presents a wide range of mediums, styles and practices from artists that span several generations – from the Class of 1986 to the Class of 2013.

The exhibit is made possible through the generous support of the LSMSA Foundation and the LSMSA Alumni Association.

Featured artists include:

Deborah Mahnken is a member of the Class of 1986. She has had a lifelong passion for art and has been creating in some form for most of her life. At LSMSA, she took art classes, volunteered in the visual arts department at Northwestern State University for service hours and took an art and architecture trip through Texas and Louisiana for special projects week.

"That was the first time I really spent time learning to draw and paint, and it was exciting and fulfilling," said Mahnken. "I took as many drawing classes as I could in college, until my schedule wouldn't accommodate them.

"Looking back, I wish I had made more time for art."

Nathaniel Wood is a member of the Class of 1990. At LSMSA, Wood focused on visual art and his artwork tended to display a lot of animal-human themes. He was a cartoonist and illustrator for "The Renaissance," and he appreciated the opportunity to sketch dancers and to study art in the museum at NSU.

Working at "The Renaissance" prepared him for his job as an editorial cartoonist at "The Current Sauce" at the Louisiana Scholars' College, where he also continued to take art classes.

Realizing his limitations, and not wanting to try to make a living as an artist, Wood decided he would like to be a college professor. He is a professor of Eastern European history at the University of Kansas.

David Lowe is a member of the Class of 1992. He is a photography specialist at the New York Public Library. He is the primary editor of an online historical archive, "The Photographers' Identities Catalog," a collection of biographical data for more than 115,000 photographers, studios, manufacturers, dealers and others involved in the production of photographs.

Misty Cole is a member of the Class of 1992. According to Cole, there is a huge debate in the quilting world of is it a quilt if it is not a functional bed cover. She has made plenty of bed quilts and she has found great joy in making and sharing something intended to provide warmth and comfort. However, most of her quilts are "wall quilts" – intended to hang, not live on a bed.

"I hope others find joy in looking at my work, but I make them for my own expression and enjoyment," said Cole. "I enjoy learning about and mastering traditional quilting techniques and using them in contemporary work."

Doris Mejia is a member of the Class of 1992. She loves the fiber arts for their tangible connection to the peoples, cultures and practices of the past and present. She draws inspiration from other fiber artists and loves doing her part to keep traditions alive. She crochets and makes handspun yarn on a drop spindle. According to Mejia, this is the first time she has created a piece specifically for an art show.

Dakota Bertrand is a member of the Class of 1994. Bertrand uses art to work out his thoughts and to share them. His goal, in most cases, is to present images and objects as subjects for contemplation. When he attended LSMSA, there was no shortage of inspiration.

"Bro. Michael David encouraged me to work freely in all media, while still making plans and researching processes," said Bertrand. "Everyone was so encouraging and had so much knowledge to give. I probably should have paid closer attention."

Anne-Louise Ewen is a member of the Class of 1994. Her painting and philosophy are fueled by the deep-rooted conviction that art is a realm of true freedom – a beacon that makes it possible for artists to share inspiration, preserve human dignity and instill joy.

"I see painting as an investigation where I am always looking for beauty," said Ewen. "I invent processes and explore unconventional uses of traditional media. I am interested in working on a painting until its own logic emerges, one that gives it a feeling of harmony, of things clicking into place."

Watson native Amy Traylor is a member of the Class of 1994. As a photographer and creative coder, Traylor loves created space and the individual's love affair with objects.

She moved from photographically documenting the careful arrangement of beloved objects in personal space, to 3D scanning of precious objects, to 3D scans as precious objects in their own right.

"I want more people to realize the potential of code as an art medium," said Traylor. "It is incredibly liberating. The LSMSA alumni exhibit is the debut of my code-based work to the world."

Sharon LaBorde is a member of the Class of 1995. Her work is influenced by the animation she grew up watching in the 1980s and by anime.

"I believe animation can serve as poignant social commentary," said LaBorde. "Traditional animation also presents a more engrossing world in which viewers confront their hopes, fears and dreams.

"I am passionate about preserving the life drawing and painting skills that I believe are so necessary for this medium."

John Waggener is a member of the Class of 1995. His two paintings on display are from his "Arabia Mountain" series. They are a meditation on place. Creating them is taking a walk on the surface of Mount Arabia, a unique place on the planet and a favorite of Waggener's. The paintings are a catalyst to feel the sublime, and an act of documenting a subjective way of knowing the medium.

Daniel McKernan is a member of the Class of 1999. He tends to focus on the otherworldly – with a touch of the surreal or the absurd. At LSMSA, he remembers taking several art classes each semester. He also remembers doing work study in the media lab, which introduced him to video editing and gave him a taste of what he has since turned into a career.

Jared Normand is a member of the Class of 2005. Normand enjoys working with his hands and technical precision. Photography, particularly traditional darkroom photography, affords him both in one medium.

"I would like to help people see that photography is more than selfies and posed group photos," said Normand. "While those are fun, there is more to the art of 'light writing' than recording data."

Liz Yerby is a member of the Class of 2007. Memoir and diary comics have been her main inspirations. She believes diary comics have an extra level of intimacy not found with other non-fiction.

"I try to highlight vulnerability and strength," said Yerby. "I hope other people relate to the vulnerabilities I talk about and realize that it takes strength to live with some things, and also to be facing them and talking about them.

"I get really excited when people laugh or cry while reading my comics."

Chyenne Bertrand is a member of the Class of 2010. The story of her animation is about inspiration and inspiring others. She is currently working on making and publishing her own comic books. She hopes to gain a job in storyboarding.

"LSMSA really did prepare me for the intensity of college classes, and I learned that Cs were not the end of the world," she said. "It also became apparent to me how different art styles could be."

Tucker Howard is a member of the Class of 2011. Printmaking was best described to him when he got to college as "drawing on steroids," and this is a major aspect of his process. He is constantly drawing and pushing himself to draw daily and save everything he makes. This is key to his creative process.

"LSMSA exposed me to a broader view of art," he said. "Instructor Chris King was both a mentor and an example of what a professional artist is. My time with LSMSA and Chris King gave me a solid foundation that I will always appreciate and value."

John Goedtel is a member of the Class of 2011. The three mixed media works in the show are still new in the context of his work. He believes they are an important point in his work and will feed his artistic progress.

"When I start a piece, my goal is to be genuine with myself," he said. "The process is cathartic and a crutch I use to confront my own habits of dishonesty."

Toni Carlone is a member of the Class of 2013. Carlone has learned that starting a painting with a purpose does not work for her. Instead, she starts drawing and plastering on paint until, eventually, something clicks and she realizes what she is trying to tell herself.

"After I separated what I thought it meant to be an artist and what I am, I realized that I have to make art to better understand myself," she said.



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Live Oak High School Talented Theater Troupe travels back in time

LOHS Talented Theater Troupe travelled back in time on Nov. 17 in a production of student-directed scene, which included scenes from classics such as "The Great Gatsby," "Into the Woods," "Who's on First."

The troupe included a pair of modern productions, "To Date or Not To Date" and "Failure: A Love Story."

The cast laughed, sang, and even tearfully recognized our graduating seniors Bailee Kelley and Ean Hill. However, the theater crew of LOHS will have to get serious as it has a busy season ahead of it.

Heading to Natchitoches in January for the annual State Thespian Convention will prepare them as they take on the task of the first original production for Live Oak High School, written by Abby Moonshower, Live Oak's talented theater teacher and director.

The show is a modern steampunk and romantic rendition of the classic, "Peter Pan: Wendy and the Lost Boys," which will include love, dangerous villains, mermaids and of course Tinker Bell.

Come see them Apr. 6th, Apr. 7 and Apr. 8 at 7 p.m. Tickets will be sold at the door, $10 each. After "Peter Pan," the troupe heads to New York City in the summer for workshops, college campus tours, and sightseeing.



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THURSDAY, JANUARY 12

Sunny-Side Up Book Club

The Watson Library Sunny Side Up Inspirational Book Club reads uplifting fiction and sometimes nonfiction that generates discussion among its diverse members. The next meeting will be Jan. 12 at 10 a.m. For more information, call 686-4180 or visit www.mylpl.info.

Adult Book Club

The Main Branch Adult Book Club reads both fiction and nonfiction that is interesting in our modern world. The next meeting is Jan. 12 at 10:30 a.m. For more information, call 686-4160 or visit www.mylpl.info.

Curious George at the library

Uh oh… Curious George is loose in the library! What kinds of mischief will he get into? Ages 3-8 are invited to the South Library (686-4170) on Jan. 12 at 6 p.m.; the Denham Springs-Walker Library (686-4140) on Jan. 19 at 2 p.m.; or the Main Library (686-4160) on Jan. 31 at 6 p.m. for a puppet show, stories and more with everyone's favorite little monkey. This program is recommended for ages 3-8, but children of all ages are welcome. For more information, call the library or visit www.mylpl.info.

Miss Peregrine's Hunt

Ages 12-18 are invited to become one of your favorite characters from the "Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children" series in the Livingston Parish Library's role playing mystery card game at the Denham Springs-Walker Library (686-4140) on Jan. 12 at 6 p.m.; or the Main Library (686-4160) on Jan. 24 at 6 p.m. It's wights versus peculiars – find out who is who before it's too late! Players receive a commemorative character button and the chance to win an author autographed copy of the book! Registration is required by calling the library or visiting www.mylpl.info.

Soda Bottle Bird Feeder

Ages 18 and up are invited to the Albany-Springfield Library (686-4130) on Jan. 12 at 6 p.m.; the South Library (686-4170) on Jan. 19 at 5:30 p.m.; or the Denham Springs-Walker Library (686-4140) on Jan. 31 at 6 p.m. to learn how to make a cute, homemade bird feeder out of an empty 2-liter soda bottle. Registration is required by calling the library or visiting www.mylpl.info.

Spine Tinglers Book Club

The Watson Library Spine Tinglers Book Club reads thrilling fiction with a good mystery and some spine-tingling suspense. The next meeting is Jan. 12 at 6 p.m. For more information, call 686-4180 or visit www.mylpl.info.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13

Wiggle Worms

Did you know that music and dance foster important literacy development in early childhood? Children ages 0-5 and their caregivers are invited to the Denham Springs-Walker Library (686-4140) on Jan. 13 at 10:30 a.m. or the Albany-Springfield Library (686-4130) on Jan. 23 at 10 a.m. Research shows that music and dance activities enhance life-long learning and neural development. For more information, call the library or visit www.mylpl.info.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14

Liv. Parish Farmer's Market

The Livingston Parish Farmers' Market is open Saturdays from 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. with fresh, seasonal produce and fruit, grain-fed beef without added hormones, unprocessed honey, fresh yard eggs, homemade hot sauce, pastries, jellies, craft vendors with soy candles, goat milk and honey lotions, soaps, quilts, jewelry, clothes, plants, more. New Covenant Baptist Church parking lot on Florida Blvd (Hwy. 190) across from McDonald's in Denham Springs. For more information, visit the Livingston Parish Farmer's Market on Facebook.

Arts Council of Livingston Parish

The Arts Council of Livingston Parish, 133 Hummell St., Denham Springs, takes great pleasure in announcing the re-opening of its gallery in January 2017 with a "Celebration of Art." Many member artists will be participating. The exhibit will begin Jan. 4 and end on Jan. 28. A Second Saturday Reception will be held on Jan. 14 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Check the Arts Council website, www.artslivingston.org, for a schedule of upcoming classes for adults and children. For more information, e-mail artscouncilofliv@bellsouth.net or call 225-664-1168.

Arts Council children's class

The Arts Council of Livingston Parish will host a Beginning Drawing & Watercolor Basics for Children class with instructor Kerry Curtin. Open to ages 8-12, the class will take place on Jan. 21 from 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. at the ACLP Gallery, 133 Hummell St. Denham Springs. The class is free, and materials are provided by ACLP. Please register by Jan. 18 by phone, 225-664-1168, or email, artscouncilofliv@bellsouth.net. For more information, visit www.artslivingston.org.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15

Understanding the End Times

Hope Center UPC, 10161 Florida Blvd. (Crossway Church Building), will host Prophecy Bible Study, a series for anyone interested in Bible prophecy, on Jan. 15 and 22 and Feb. 5, 12 and 19, all at 2 p.m. For more information, call 225-380-5040.

Yoga for Adults & Teens

Ages 18 and up are invited to relax your mind and body with this free yoga class at the Denham Springs-Walker Library on Jan. 15 at 3 p.m. Bring a yoga mat and wear comfortable clothes. Registration required by calling 686-4140 or visiting www.mylpl.info.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17

Sit & Sew

Ages 18 and up are invited to four hours of uninterrupted sewing. Bring a sandwich along with a project or two to the Main Library on Jan. 17 from 3 - 7 p.m. Ages 18 and up can spend some creative time with friends. For more information, call 686-4160 or visit www.mylpl.info.

Young Writers Club

The Denham Springs-Walker Library's Young Writers Club meets Jan. 17 at 5 p.m. Open to ages 10-18, the club's goal is to help each other become better writers, to provide inspiration, and to offer advice and support. Each meeting, members practice writing in many different styles and genres to fine-tune skills and challenge themselves. Writers of all genres are welcome. For more information, call 686-4140 or visit www.mylpl.info.

LEGO Robotics Club

Enthusiasts ages 8-18 are invited to join a group that meets monthly at the Albany-Springfield Library to learn more about how LEGO building and simple robots can be combined using Edison technology. The next meeting will be held Jan. 17 at 5:30 p.m. Register by calling 686-4130 or register at www.mylpl.info.

LEGO LEGO LEGO

If you are a master builder or just love LEGO, come and check out this LEGO program at the South Library (686-4170) on Jan. 17 at 5:30 p.m.; or the Watson Library (686-4180) on Jan. 26 at 5:30 p.m. Ages 3-11 are invited to test your skills with building challenges and LEGO games. Registration is required by calling the library or visiting www.mylpl.info.

Eclectic Book Club

The Denham Springs-Walker Library Eclectic Book Club for ages 18 and up reads both fiction and nonfiction books across a variety of genres. If you are looking for something different to read each month, this is the book club for you. The next meeting will be Jan. 17 at 6:30 p.m., where the club will discuss "The Reader" by Bernard Schlink. For more information, call 686-4140.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

Coloring & Coffee

Coloring is a relaxing activity, even for adults. Ages 18 and up are invited to come out to the Albany-Springfield Library (686-4130) on Jan. 18 at 11 a.m. for some free time to color, listen to music, and socialize. The library will supply intricate coloring sheets and coloring implements. For more information, call the library or visit www.mylpl.info.

AutoCAD Learning Lab

Ages 18 and up are invited to visit the Main Library at 3 p.m. every Wednesday to an open lab to learn AutoCAD, a computer-aided drafting software program used to create blueprints for buildings, bridges, and computer chips, among other things. Limited assistance will be available. For more information, call 686-4160 or visit www.mylpl.info.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

Teen Anime Club

The Teen Anime Club is open to all fans of anime and manga. Club meetings are free and include previews of anime and manga movies, along with snacks, fan art, crafts and fan fiction. Clubs meet at the Watson Library (686-4180) on Jan. 19 at 5:30 p.m. and the Denham Springs-Walker Library (686-4140) on Jan. 21 at 3 p.m. For more information, call or visit www.mylpl.info.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

Exercise for Seniors

Visit the Denham Springs-Walker Library's Exercise for Seniors class on Jan. 20 at 10 a.m. Enjoy a workout led by a certified physical therapist that will keep up your heart health, maintain muscle tone, and increase flexibility. For more information, call 686-4140 or visit www.mylpl.info.

Book Babies

Bring all the kids for a play date at the Watson Library on Jan. 20 at 10:30 a.m. There are baby safe areas and big kid activities too. Enjoy stories, music, games, and more every third Friday of the month. For more information, call 686-4180 or visit www.mylpl.info.

LYP monthly meeting

The Livingston Young Professionals, a group for those age 21-40, meets on the third Friday of most months to plan upcoming events. Their next meeting will be Jan. 20 at 1 p.m. at the Livingston Parish Chamber of Commerce Business Office, 248 Veterans Blvd., Denham Springs. For more information, e-mail april@livingstonparishchamber.org.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

Spanish-English Conversation Club

Are you a native Spanish speaker who wants to improve your English or a native English speaker who wants to improve your Spanish? Ages 18 and up are invited to Livingston Parish's Spanish-English Conversation Club at the Main Library on Jan. 21 at 1 p.m. This is a no-pressure, fun group where we will switch off between English and Spanish to give everyone a relaxed environment in which to improve their language skills. Register by calling 686-4160 or register at www.mylpl.info.

LIGO Science Saturday

At the LIGO - Livingston Science Education Center Free Science Saturday, visitors can tour the control room, explore the exhibit hall, try hands-on demos of scientific principles, ask questions, watch videos and more. The center is located north of the town of Livingston on LIGO Lane. Free Science Saturday is every third Saturday of the month from 1-5 p.m. www.ligo.caltech.edu/LA/.

Junction anniversary

The Grand Country Junction will celebrate its 10-year anniversary featuring the return of The Junction Boys with a show on Jan. 21. The show will include Glynn Fendlason, Duane Black, Ron Galbo and Greg Sullivan with Danny Harrell and The Nashville Edition Band, Brenda Harrell, Greg Manchester, Kristen Conatser, Clifton Brown and Jim Hawthorne. Tickets are $12 for adults, $7 for children ages 4-12, and children 3 and under are free. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. Show starts at 7 p.m. Grand Country Junction, your "Hometown Branson Show," is located just off of Interstate 12 at Exit 19 in Satsuma at the Suma Crossing Theatre. For more information, call Junction Director Greg Sullivan at (985) 507-9432 or visit www.grandcountryjunction.com.

MONDAY, JANUARY 23

Quilting Guild

Come join us for a day of quilting and sewing fun! The Quilting Guild will meet at the Main Library on Jan. 23 at 9:30 a.m. The guild meets on the third Monday of each month from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Please bring all your sewing supplies for the day. Light refreshments will be provided. For more information, call 686-4160 or visit www.mylpl.info.

Book a Librarian - Computer Help

Ages 12 and up can Book a Librarian for help with the following topics: Internet Basics, Intermediate Internet, Email Basics, Intermediate Email, Publisher Basics or Power Point Basics at the Denham Springs-Walker Library on Jan. 23 from 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. Registration required by calling 665-8118. For more information, visit or visit www.mylpl.info.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24

Ask-A-Lawyer

Need legal advice? During the annual Lawyers in Libraries event, visit a representative from the Baton Rouge Bar Association at the Main Library's free walk-in legal clinic on Jan. 24 from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. The clinic features two attorneys that will meet one-on-one with interested patrons for brief legal counseling and advice. For more information, call 686-4160 or visit www.mylpl.info.

Computer Basics

Ages 12 and up are invited to the Denham Springs-Walker Library on Jan. 24 at 2 p.m. for a Computer Basics class. This class is for those who have little to no experience with computers. Turning on the computer, using the keyboard and mouse, and basic computer terms are covered. Register by calling 686-4140 or register at www.mylpl.info.

Get Organized

Did you make a new year's resolution to get organized in 2017? Ages 18 and up are invited to visit the Watson Library (686-4180) on Jan. 24 at 6 p.m. or the Albany-Springfield Library (686-4130) on Jan. 26 at 6 p.m. to learn the basics of starting an organizational process You will learn various techniques such as the Marie Kondo "Spark Joy" method. You are encouraged to attend this event if you are someone needing help getting organized or an organizational buff who wants to share advice. For more information, call the library or visit www.mylpl.info.

Teen Advisory Board

The Livingston Parish Library's Teen Advisory Board meets at the Denham Springs-Walker Library (686-4140) on Jan. 24 at 6 p.m. Ages 12-18 can suggest programs they would like to see, volunteer at the branch, and help choose books for the Young Adult section. For more information, call the library or visit www.mylpl.info.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25

Dominoes Club

Ages 18 and up are invited to play Dominoes every month at the Albany-Springfield Library. The next event is Jan. 25 at 11 a.m. Have fun with your friends playing Standard, Chicken Foot and Trains Dominoes. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 686-4130.

Chamber awards luncheon

The Livingston Parish Chamber of Commerce hosts its annual State of Business Address and Awards Luncheon at Forrest Grove Plantation in Denham Springs on Jan. 25 with check-in at 11:30 a.m. and the program at 12 p.m. Speakers are Walk On's Bistreaux & Bar CEO Founder Brandon Landry and Jefferson Financial Federal Credit Union CEO Mark Rosa. There will also be a swearing-in of the 2017 Chamber Board of Directors and the announcment of the Business of the Year. RSVP required. $25/members, $30/non-members and at the door, $200 to reserve a table of eight. For more information, call 665-8155.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26

South Branch Bookies Book Club

The South Branch Bookies motto is "Bet you're going to like this next book!" Each month, this book club hosts a festive gathering for ages 18 and up with refreshments and sometimes costumes based on the book they are reading. The next meeting is Jan. 26 at 5:30 p.m. For more information, call 686-4170 or www.mylpl.info.

LPL Improv Group

Teens and adults are invited to learn and develop improvisational/sketch skills by participating in interactive activities and exercises to get the creative juices flowing. Visit the Main Library on Jan. 26 at 6 p.m. for some acting fun that improves communication skills and provides a safe environment for creative learning and self-growth. For more information, call 686-4160 or visit www.mylpl.info.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

VITA Tax Preparation

The Main Branch of the Livingston Parish Library will host free tax preparation for participants with an income limit of $60,000 for 2016 on Jan. 28 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. or Jan. 31 from 5 - 8 p.m. Bring tax documents such as W-2s, 1099s, and information for deductions and credits along with a copy of last year's tax return and a Social Security card for yourself, a spouse and dependents. You may also bring proof of a bank account for direct deposit. Volunteers will prepare most simple returns, but more complicated returns will not be processed. Co-sponsored by Volunteer Income Tax Assistance and the Internal Revenue Service, this program is by appointment only. To make an appointment or for more information, call 686-4160.

The Beatles: Band of the Sixties

Ages 18 and up are invited to explore the music of the Beatles in this 60-minute multimedia presentation (part history and part musical analysis) spanning the full 1960's: beginning with the band's seminal visits to Hamburg, continuing through Beatlemania, and concluding with Abbey Road. The program, held at the Denham Springs-Walker Library on Jan. 28 at 2 p.m., will be supplemented with audio clips of music and excerpts from interviews with the band members. Registration required by calling 686-4140 or visiting www.mylpl.info.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Denham Springs Mardi Gras

The Krewe of Denham Springs 2017 Mardi Gras Parade will be held on Saturday, Feb. 18, 2017, at 3 p.m. This year's theme is "Pirates of the Cajun Navy." The parade will start at Denham Springs High School on North Range Ave., work its way south along Range Ave., and disband on Veterans Blvd. Get on your thinking caps and come with a float idea for your entry. The Krewe hopes you will join them in parading this year and help make it the largest parade in the

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SHOWER



Shanna Lentz & Hunter Miller

Shanna Lentz of Watson was honored at a bridal shower at Live Oak United Methodist Church in Watson.

The event, hosted by bridesmaids and family members, was held on Sept. 10, 2016, with 45 guests in attendance.

The bride-to-be wore a cream colored dress.

A table was set up with pictures of Lentz and her groom-to-be, Hunter Miller, and the table was decorated with deer antlers and horseshoes.

The food table had a large bouquet of irises, lilies, roses and other beautiful flowers in the colors of the bride's wedding dress as the centerpiece.

Special guests included Lisa Lentz, mother of the bride, Tina Miller, mother of the groom, Judy Cunningham and Annette Lentz, grandmothers of the bride, and Marilyn Miller, grandmother of the groom.

Lentz and Miller were united in marriage on Nov. 20, 2016.

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Winter Festival at Springfield Elementary

In pictures above, from left to right, Kindergartners Dylan Black and Karagan Smith play in a bowl of snow; Jonathan McManus decorates a gingerbread ornament; Kaylee Kelly creates a snowman out of edible treats; and Jahri Brooks shows off the snowman design painted on his face at Mrs. Stephanie Cronan's Winter Festival at Springfield Elementary.





Springfield Elementary students celebrate season with Christmas program

Springfield Elementary students enjoy their annual Christmas Program, which was a sing-along this year. Students from Pre-K to 4th grade and their teachers sang their way to a Merry Christmas with a packed audience as back up. Some students participating include (clockwise from above left) 4th graders Kylee Foster, Jaylei Murphy, Olivia Carter, Kayla Demars, Tori Easley; pre-K students Dixi Rigsby, Blake Conerly, Liliana Cooper, Bella Miller; 1st grade students Abigail McIntyre, Jackson Aucoin, Brady Stewart, Joby Mullins, Brayden Hughes, Shermyon Smith, Gracie May, Jocelyn Marioneaux, Kailei Mitchell, Gabby Foster; and below, Kindergarteners Brandon Davis, Jahri Brooks, Brylea Craig, Emily Houle, Racelyn Sykes, Tyler Norman, Brody Kinchen, Kaylee Kelly, Caleb Serignet, and Cristian Miranda from Stephanie Cronan's class perform the Hawaiian Christmas song "Mele Kalikimaka."

PHOTOS SUBMITTED BY VERONICA PIERSON







Q: I have been asked to send a document through email. How do I do that?

A: More and more often, you will get requests from individuals and companies to send documents through email. This is becoming a replacement for faxing documents, and is a good skill to have. Attaching a document to an email can be done in just a few simple steps. These will be a little different for every email provider, but by following the steps below, you should be able to do it.



Sarah Colombo

First you need to save your document. If this is a physical document (a paper copy) that you need to make into a digital document (a version on your computer), then you need to scan the document first. If you do not have a scanner in your home, you can do this at the library. If you are typing a document on the computer, save it. Either way, make sure you to pay close attention to where you save the document. You will need to know exactly where it is later.

Now begin composing a new email. Make sure you write somewhere in the text of the email that the documents you are sending are attached. This is a good habit to get into, because most email providers will notice the word, and if you try to send the email without any attachments, it will let you know.

Now it is time to find and attach your document. The universal symbol for attaching a document to an email is a paperclip. Look for the paperclip symbol on your email. Depending on your provider, it will either be at the top or the bottom of the box in which you are typing your message.

Once you click the paperclip, a box will pop up. You must use this box to navigate to the place where your document is stored. This is a narrowing down process. You'll need to think of your computer as a system of files, just like a filing cabinet. The outer file is called "Computer" and within that file you may have a "Desktop" and within the "Desktop" you may have stored a folder called "My Documents," inside of which you have your FEMA paperwork, veterinary form, or whatever other document you need to send. Click through each folder until you get to the place where you saved the document.

When you find the document, click on it and then click "open" in the pop-up box. Now the document title should appear in your email. Again, this varies by email provider, but it should be at the top or the bottom of your email.

It is no big deal if you mess up and can't get to the document, you can always hit "cancel" and start over. If you accidentally attach the wrong document, click the "x" by the document name to remove it.

If this is all new to you and you would like someone to walk you through the process, call your local branch of the Livingston Parish Library and ask to Book a Librarian for one-on-one help.

SARAH COLOMBO is the Branch Manager of the Main Branch of the Livingston Parish Library. She can be reached at scolombo@mylpl.info or 225-686-4169.

What's cooking at Adult Ed?



A nutrition series led by LSU AgCenter Agent Layne Langley has begun at the Adult Education Department in Walker.

Adult Ed students and staff have attended two nutrition programs led by Langley.

During the October program, the participants learned about the MyPlate and why each food group is important.

They tested their knowledge of the MyPlate's food groups by listing foods that belong in the protein, grains, vegetables, fruits, and dairy food groups.

Langley encouraged the participants to make half their plates fruits and vegetables and watch their protein food group portions.

A treat during the program was preparing MyPlate Salad on the Go - a recipe that included ingredients from all of the food groups except the grains food group.

Fight BAC(teria)! was the topic of the November program.

Langley stressed the importance of proper handwashing and food safety.

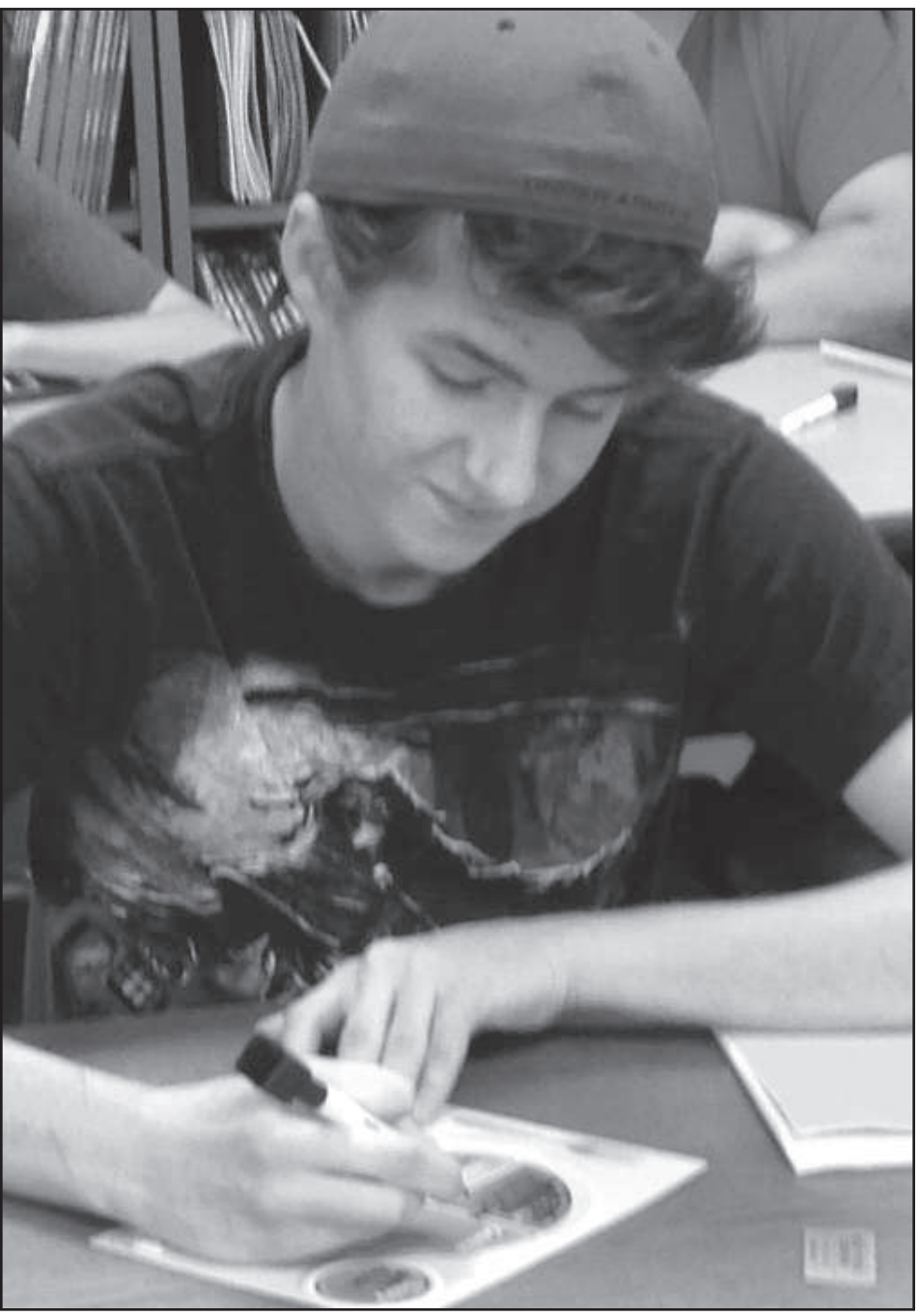
During the program, those in attendance worked in teams to address some food safety myth busters.

The small teams also participated in Perils at the Picnic, where they had to identify the food safety mistakes of teenage boys as they prepared for a barbeque.

The group was also able to "see" the germs on their hands with the aid of Glitter Bug Potion and a black/glo light.

Another nutrition program was scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 7, at the Adult Education building in Walker.

For more information about upcoming programs or other nutrition programs in Livingston, contact Layne Langley at 225-686-3020 or at lalangley@agcenter.lsu.edu.





SUBMITTED BY LAYNE LANGLEY

Above left, Brandi Sanders appears not to need any more time to list foods on this MyPlate. At left, Adult Ed student Bas Boudreaux works quickly to list all the foods he can think of on the MyPlate. Above, who would have guessed this MyPlate Salad on the Go would be so tasty! Lauren Bain enjoyed making and sampling this salad.

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Girl Scouts 'jazz' up their annual Cookies & Cocktails gala

BATON ROUGE — Smooth jazz and unique Girl Scout cookie-inspired dishes will fill the air for Girl Scouts Louisiana East's "Cookies & Cocktails" gala set for Saturday, Feb. 4, 2017, at club XLIV in New Orleans.

The theme for this year's gala, now in its third year, is "Cookies & Cocktails and All That Jazz," with a patron party at 6 p.m. and the gala from 7 to 10 p.m. All proceeds will go to fund ongoing programs for Girl Scouts throughout southeast Louisiana.

"Our event continues to grow and become more exciting with every year," said Dr. Allison Augustus-Wallace, event co-chair, who is joined this year by Girl Scout supporter and alum and Fox news anchor Nancy Parker.

To spice up the night, 20 local chefs and bartenders will put a new spin on your traditional Girl Scout cookie favorites.

From savory appetizers to sweet desserts and full-flavored beverages, chefs and mixologists can use any of the eight varieties of Girl Scout cookies to create their one-of-a-kind treat.

While patrons nibble on the chefs' creations and enjoy unique cocktails, they'll also enjoy live music, capture memories in the photo booth, and bid in the thrilling silent auction.



SUBMITTED BY JASMINE HUNTER

Cookies & Cocktail gala attendees are sure to enjoy the wonderful ambiance of club XLIV.

"Funds raised from our event support our programs, thereby supporting our girls and the development of the leadership and social skills that they'll need to make a positive impact in our communities as adults," Augustus-Wallace said.

"Several of our nation's most accomplished women were Girl Scouts during their childhood," Augustus-Wallace continued. "We plan to continue the tradition of promoting the development of girls into women of courage, confidence, and character."

Guest judges will crown the Judge's Choice champion while gala attendees will select the People's Choice.

Emcee is WGNO's News with a Twist reporter Kenny Lopez.

Guest judges include NFL analyst Mike Detillier, health educator Doc Griggs, food blogger Kristine Froeba of the Uptown Messenger and host of WWNO's Out To Lunch Peter Ricchiuti.

They will decide the best appetizer, best dessert and best cocktail.

Gala tickets are $75 per person, $100 for the gala and patron party.

Purchase tickets online at www.501auctions.com/cookiescocktails. Guests must be age 21 or older and cocktail attire is suggested.

Sponsorship opportunities are available.

For more information, contact the Girl Scouts Fund Development office at 504-355-5885.

Girl Scouts encourage girls to take the lead like a Girl Scout in new PSA and brand campaign

BATON ROUGE — From having a float in Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade to launching its new PSA, "I'm Prepared," on Giving Tuesday, Girl Scouts across the country are demonstrating this holiday season how Girl Scouts prepares girls for a lifetime of leadership.

The PSA brings to life Girl Scouts' new brand platform, which celebrates every girl's inner G.I.R.L. (Go-getter, Innovator, Risk-taker, Leader)™.

Applauding girls who never give up, who try new things, and who make their ideas a reality, the PSA is a visual representation of how Girl Scouts prepares every G.I.R.L. to practice leadership like a Girl Scout—uniquely encouraging girls to cultivate grit, problem-solving, risk-taking, and leading with empathy.

"Too frequently, people equate Girl Scouts to cookies, badges, and friendship bracelets, when we are so much more than that," said Marianne Addy, chief marketing and communications officer at Girl Scouts Louisiana East.

"We think it's time to show the world everything we're capable of - from designing robots to standing up to bullying, and doing our part to conserve the environment."

The PSA is set to Girl Scouts' new powerful pop anthem, "Watch Me Shine," co-written by songwriters Liz Rose and Emily Shackelton, and performed by Shackelton with Girl Scouts singing backup vocals.

The song exemplifies how Girl Scouts empowers girls to find the strength and confidence they need to take the lead every day and to create impactful change in themselves and in their communities.

Both songwriters, as Girl Scout alumnae, are go-getters and risk-takers themselves: Rose is a two-time Grammy Award winner who has collaborated with well-known female artists like Taylor Swift, Miranda Lambert, and Jewel; Shackelton's songs have been featured on TV shows like American Idol and Nashville.

Visit www.GirlScouts.org to watch the PSA and listen to "Watch Me Shine."

"Our new PSA showcases what it means to practice fearless leadership like a Girl Scout and is an amazing reflection of the resilience our members exemplify on a daily basis," said Sylvia Acevedo, interim CEO of Girl Scouts of the USA.

Girl Scouts Louisiana East is reaching out to media partners, like Cox Communications and others, to run the PSA in local markets across southeast Louisiana, and join in encouraging every G.I.R.L to become a leader.

Girl Scouting's mission is to build girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

Girl Scouts Louisiana East, serves girls in grades K-12 in the parishes of Ascension, Assumption, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Iberville, Jefferson, Lafourche, Livingston, Orleans, Plaquemines, Pointe Coupee, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. Helena, St. James, St. John, St. Mary, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, Terrebonne, Washington, West Baton Rouge, and West Feliciana.

For more information, call the council office at 800-644-7571, or visit its website at www.gsle.org.

'Walter Anderson's Fairy Tales' at the West Baton Rouge Museum

PORT ALLEN - The "Walter Anderson's Fairy Tales" exhibition, which features original drawings, block prints, and ceramic works by the famed southern artist, will be on display at the West Baton Rouge Museum through Jan. 29, 2017.

Highlighting this exhibition is "Cinderella on Her Way to the Ball," a linoleum block print carved by Walter Anderson and colored by his children in the 1940s.

This piece was donated to the Walter Anderson Museum of Art by the West Baton Rouge Historical Association.

Other artwork on loan from the Walter Anderson Museum of Art in Ocean Springs includes "Jack the Giant Killer," "The Frog Prince," "The Pied Piper," "Billy Goats Gruff," "The Fairy Godmother," and "Gerda and the Swan."

Walter Inglis Anderson (1903 – 1965) was born in New Orleans and educated by his mother, Annette McConnell Anderson.

An artist in her own right, Mrs. Anderson had studied under Ellsworth Woodward at the Newcomb School of Fine Arts. She encouraged her children to create art every day.

Walter Anderson later studied at the Parsons School for Art and Design and the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts.

He moved to Ocean Springs, Miss., as a young adult where he was inspired by the local flora and fauna.

Walter Anderson's block prints, watercolors, and ceramics have become iconic representations of the Gulf Coast and an integral part of the Arts and Crafts and American Contemporary Art movements.

Although misunderstood and shunned for the majority of his life, Walter Anderson is today celebrated as a visionary, a genius, and the Gulf Coast's favorite son.

For more information visit www.westbatonrougemuseum.com or call (225) 336-2422 x 15.

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Wait for spring before pruning dead tissue in your yard



SHARPE'S POINT

Kenny Sharpe

A couple of mornings of low 20 degree temperatures can get your attention in south Louisiana. What a contrast to seeing my azaleas blooming on New Year's Day.

The end result for my azaleas is that flower buds that had emerged, but had not yet opened, all froze. That means no azalea flowers for me this year, at least on that Formosa variety.

In all cases of freeze damage, take a wait and see approach. Wait for spring and new growth before you go pruning out dead tissue. It is much easier to see where to prune and if you need to once new growth emerges.

Arbor Day is traditionally celebrated the third Friday in January in Louisiana.

It is the day that draws awareness to tree planting. We celebrate it here in the dormant season which is the best time to plant bare rooted and ball and burlap trees.

Tree planting is not just for the new homeowners. Take an inventory of your property and you will probably find that you have lost some trees over time. I have people call me every week who have lost trees from hurricanes, lightning strikes, tornadoes, strong thunderstorms, hail storms, construction projects, utility line replacements and old age. We probably have 15 fewer trees at my house now than when we moved there.

Now is a great time to assess your tree inventory and needs to replace ones that have been lost or plant ones that have been needed for a long time.

Trees have a lot of benefits. First of all they just make you feel better. Studies have shown that people living in urban areas with more trees reported being healthier and had less heart disease and diabetes.

In south Louisiana one of the biggest benefits is in the cooling effect of shade.

A well placed deciduous tree will provide a canopy of leaves for shade in the summer and then defoliate to let the sun in for warmth during the winter. Trees can also act as a wind break and provide cold protection by blocking cold north winds.

I enjoy mornings on my patio drinking coffee and the early morning activity of squirrels and birds that take refuge in our trees. Trees house and feed wildlife and can also add to fruit and nut production for your family.

'In all cases of freeze damage, take a wait and see approach. Wait for spring and new growth before you go pruning out dead tissue. It is much easier to see where to prune and if you need to once new growth emerges.'

One of the main concerns that I have about planting trees is planting the trees far enough away from the home or other structures.

Living in a hurricane prone area makes me want to plant trees far enough away from the house so if the trees come down in a wind event that they do not damage the home or its occupants.

Look at the mature height of the tree you want to plant and plant at least that far from your home. That would protect your home from damage should the tree fall.

There are lots of interesting features to consider when selecting trees.

Flowering trees are popular and come in larger sizes such as southern magnolia, tulip poplar, swamp red maple and catalpa.

Smaller flowering trees would include mayhaw, grancy greybeard, silverbell, crabapple , Bradford pear and Taiwan flowering cherry.

Trees with interesting bark include crape myrtles, drake elm, lacebark elm, river birch white oak and black cherry (they do produce wild cherries).

Fast growing shade trees include oaks - water oak, nuttall oak, shumard oak and tulip poplar, American elm, bald cypress (does have knees) and green ash.

Also look for trees with fall color or berries to add even more interest.

KENNY SHARPE is county agent with the LSU Cooperative Extension Service in Livingston Parish. For more information on these or related topics contact Kenny at 225-686-3020 or visit www.lsuagcenter.com/livingston.

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HELP WANTED

$8/Hr caring for 82 y/o Female w/alzeih, Mature,dependable, exp perferred, ability to lift 150 pds easily, Wk Ends 8:30a-1:30p & 4p-8p - Walker, LA - Call/ Text 601-937-7002 or 225-788-4951

AS WE CONTINUE OUR REBUILDING PROCESS WE ARE LOOKING FOR ASSOCIATES TO JOIN OUR TEAM. WE'RE HIRING FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME ASSOCIATES FOR NUMEROUS AREAS OF OUR STORE AT YOUR DENHAM SPRINGS SUPERCENTER. APPLY ONLINE AT WWW.WALMART.COM/CAREERS OR COME SEE US AT OUR HIRING CENTER LOCATED AT 171 SUITE A DEL ORLEANS AVE DENHAM SPRINGS.

Louisiana Connections Academy is seeking to employ an **Algebra/ Geometry Teacher**
Certified/Eligible to teach Dual Enrollment (preferred)
Apply online at www.friendsoflouisiana.com

Now hiring Resident Attendants for 7am-3pm, 3pm-11pm, and7am Dietary Aids 8am-6pm. Please apply at 13603 Minton Lane Walker, LA. 70785 225-664-9423

T N T POOL COMPANY IN DENHAM SPRINGS NOW HIRING FOR POOL CLEANING TECHNICIAN AND POOL EQUIPMENT REPAIR TECHNICIAN. MUST HAVE CURRENT DRIVERS LICENSE AND GOOD DRIVING RECORD. EXPERIENCE PREFERRED BUT WILL TRAIN - CALL 225-665-0226

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Must be 25 years of age or older and have a high school diploma or GED. Must be able to get a Chauffeur's license within 2 weeks of being hired. Motor Vehicle record, Criminal background check with pre-employment DOT drug screening along with random drug testing is required. Must be willing to drive 3 nights per year for Special Events. Positive attitude, a smile and experience with senior citizens is a major plus!! Apply in person at the Livingston Council on Aging located at 949 Government Drive, Denham Springs, LA. (Office is in back of Senior Center)

Livingston Council on Aging is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Warren Henry Auto Group needs Automotive Technicians for Miami, FL shops. Relocation assistance offered to qualified technicians. Apply online: careers.warrenhenryauto.com

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PUBLIC NOTICES

"Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **Stacey Beasley Fuller**, please
contact David L. Guidry, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 1286, Denham Springs, LA, 70727, (225) 936-4718."

"Anyone knowing the whereabouts of a certain Promissory Note payable to PRIMEKEY MORTGAGE, L.L.C., executed by Glenn P. Bruner and Margaret F. Moore Bruner and
dated May 31, 2002, in the principal sum of $58,700.00, bearing interest at the rate of 7.50% from dated until paid, and providing reasonable attorney fees, and all charges associated with the collection of same. Please contact Herschel C. Adcock, Jr., Attorney
at Law, at P.O. Box 87379, Baton Rouge, LA 70879-8379, (225) 756-0373."

We, Sarita's Denham Springs LLC, DBA Sarita's Mexican Grill and Cantina are applying to the Commission on Alcoholic Beverage Control of the State of Louisiana for a permit to sell beverages of High and Low Alcoholic Content at retail in the Parish of Livingston at the following address:

151 Bass Pro Blvd.
Suite A
Denham Springs, LA 70726

Owners: Isaias Gomez
Scott Carlton
Ruderis Gomez

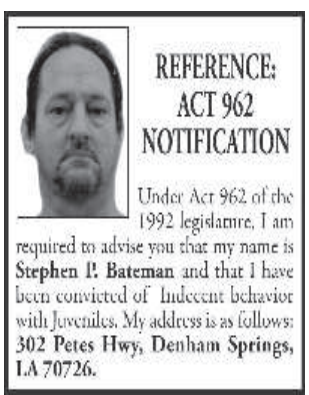
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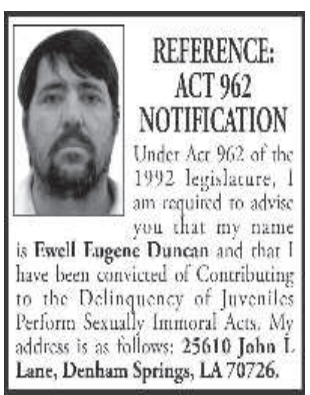
Hauling dirt, sand, gravel, limestone, crush concrete, etc. We dig ponds for dirt. Call Walter's Trucking 225-315-0601.

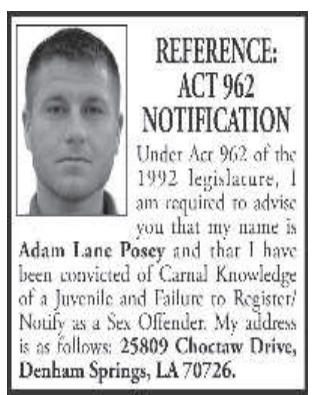


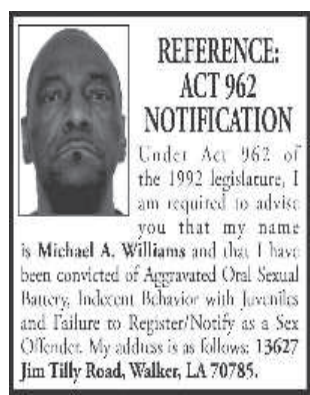












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Krewe's history. You can find the registration for on the Krew of Denham Springs Facebook page. Indicate on the form if you want your flat to be judged. If you have any additional questions, requests or concerns, call 2017 Parade Captain Lamy Chopin, Jr., at 225-665-7379 or Betty Burgess at 225-664-3705, or e-mail dsmardigrasparade@gmail.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Library Art Galleries

Every month, the Livingston Parish Library offers a variety of art exhibits and displays featuring works of local and regional artists. The art showings at each library branch are as follows: Albany-Springfield Display Cases: Leland Gimnick Painted Saw Blades; Albany-Springfield Gallery: Leland Gimnick Mixed Media Art; Denham Springs-Walker Gallery: Artwork by Bonnie Smith Wilson; Main Branch Gallery: Paintings by the Magnolia Chapter of Decorative Painters and Selected Quilts by Lee DeMars & Friends; South Library Display Cases: South Branch Ongoing EventsSouth Library Gallery and Watson Library Display Cases & Gallery: Livingston Parish Library 70th Anniversary. For more information, visit www.mylpl.info.

Free Christmas CD

'Tis the Season of Giving. South Walker Baptist Church (SWBC) has a free gift of Christmas praise for all to share. They hope those who assisted local communities with flood relief will accept this gift of gratitude. Visit the SWBC website, http://southwalkerbaptist.org/, to download the free "And Then Came Christmas" CD.

Walker Adult Education - day

Walker will begin a spring session for Adult Education day classes on Thursday, Jan. 5. Two sessions are offered with a morning session from 8:15-11:15 a.m. and an afternoon session from 12:15-3:15 p.m. The classes will be held at 13330 Burgess Ave., Walker, LA 70785. For more information, call the office at 225-664-9427 or the director at 225-791-5685.

Albany Adult Education

Albany will begin a spring session for Adult Education classes to be held every Tuesday beginning Jan. 10 through May 16, 2017, from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. The class will be held in the library at Albany High School, located at 29700 One Hornet Lane, Albany, LA 70711. For more information, call the office at 225-664-9427 or the director at 225-791-5685.

Denham Springs Adult Education

Denham Springs will begin a spring session for Adult Education classes on Tuesday, Jan. 10, through May 16, 2017, from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. The class will be held in the 300 hall at Denham Springs Freshman High School, located at 940 Range Ave. NE, Denham Springs, LA 70726. For more information, call the office at 225-664-9427 or the director at 225-791-5685.

Walker Adult Education - night

Walker will begin a spring session for Adult Education night classes on Monday, Jan. 9. Sessions meet every Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. The class will be held at 13330 Burgess Ave., Walker, LA 70785. For more information, call the office at 225-664-9427 or the director at 225-791-5685.

Free computer classes

Every branch of the Livingston Parish Library offers free computer classes including One on One Tech Help, 3D Design, E-Mail Basics, Internet Basics, Intermediate Internet, PowerPoint Basics, Word Basics and Publisher Basics. For dates and times of classes, visit www.mylpl.info or call 225-686-2436.

Storytimes at the Library

All branches of the Livingston Parish Library offer storytimes for babies through age 5 that help develop pre-reading skills while children and their caregivers have lots of fun! They read books, present puppet shows, sing songs, play games, and make cool crafts. Schedule: Albany-Springfield Library, Thursdays, 10 a.m.; 686-4130. Denham Springs-Walker Library, ages 0-2, Mondays, 9:45 a.m.; ages 0-5, Mondays, 10:30 a.m.; ages 0-5, Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.; 686-4140. Main Branch, Thursdays, 10 a.m.; 686-4160. South Branch, Wednesdays 10 a.m.; 686-4170. Watson Library, Wednesdays, 10 a.m.; 686-4180. For more information, visit www.mylpl.info/storytime.

VFW Patriotic Contests

VFW Post 7017 of Denham Springs and the VFW Auxiliary 7017 will sponsor several patriotic contests in Livingston Parish. Patriotic Art is for grades 9-12. Students are to paint a patriotic picture. For more information, visit www.auxvfw.org. Deadline is March 3, 2017. The other contests ended Nov. 1. Students who participate in these contests can win scholarships, U.S. savings bonds, trophies, a trip to Washington, D.C., and recognition on national, state and local levels. For more information, call Post Commander Robert Nolan at 603-4694 or Auxiliary President Vi Singleton at 665-1201.

VFW Aux Membership Changes

We now have some very brave women who have joined the military and have fought beside the men in the wars to help bring freedom to our country. This makes them eligible to join the Veterans of Foreign Wars. The women and men veterans give VFW Auxiliary membership eligibility to their spouses, daughters, sons, grandsons, granddaughters, mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, grandfathers, grandmothers, stepchildren and step-grandchildren. To become a member of the Auxiliary, your sponsor must be a U.S. Citizen or U.S. National; must have served in the Armed Forces of the United States and received an honorable or general discharge or be currently serving; and must have served on foreign soil or hostile waters. The DD-214 form will have this information. If the form cannot be found, we have a number to call to get the information. Our main purpose is to help, serve and honor our veterans. We send care boxes overseas, take food and gifts to the VFW Home in Jackson and fruit baskets to the veterans in nursing homes. We also collect and donate needed items and clothes for homeless veterans. We meet the first Friday of the month at 2 p.m. at the Post Home, 113 Centerville St., Denham Springs. We would welcome you to VFW Auxiliary 7017. For more information, please call Vi at 665-1201.

Silver Slipper Casino Trip

The VFW Travelers are planning a trip to Silver Slipper Casino on Tuesday, March 14, 2017. The cost is $34 per person, and this price includes bus transportation, tip to driver, $20 free play and half off Buffet. For more information or to reserve your spot, call Debbie at 225-665-2930 or Vi at 225-665-1201.

Ark Encounter Trip

There will be bus trip to visit The Ark Encounter & Creation Museum from May 21-27. The trip will be seven days and six nights, and the cost of $699 includes motorcoach transportation, admission to sights and some meals. For more information or to request a flyer, call Jamie at 225-380-5040.

VFW Travelers future trips

Anyone 50 years and older is invited to join any or all of the upcoming VFW Travelers trips. Schedule follows. June 10-18, 2017: Niagara Falls and Toronto; August 26-September 3, 2017: Mackinac Island; October 8-14, 2017: Pigeon Forge and Smoky Mountains Show Trip. A $75 deposit is due now to reserve your spot. For more information, call Debbie at 225-665-2930 or Vi at 225-665-1201.

Cruise the Pacific Coastline

The VFW Travelers are sponsoring an eight-day, seven-night cruise on the Celebrity Infinity Sept. 17-24, 2017. Fly out of Baton Rouge to Vancouver, British Colombia, where you will board the ship. You will cruise south to Seattle, Wash., Astoria, Ore., San Francisco, Calif., Monterey, Calif., Santa Barbara, Calif., and Los Angeles, Calif., where you will board the plane for home. Roundtrip airfare, port charges, taxes, government fees and transfers to and from the ship are included in the price: inside cabin, $2,252.00; outside cabin, $2,492.00; balcony cabin, $2,892.00. For more information, call Vi Singleton at 665-1201.

History of Watson

A local committee is working on the history of Watson. Once the project is complete, a display will be shown at the Watson Library. Volunteers are welcome. Anyone who has old pictures, letters, etc., can call Shelly at 665-6057.

Road to Recovery Program

The American Cancer Society Road to Recovery Program needs volunteer drivers in Livingston Parish to drive cancer patients to and from cancer treatments. Drivers must be at least 18 years old, have a valid driver's license, and carry insurance on their vehicle. Drivers must be willing to commit at least five hours a month and have flexible morning/day schedules. To volunteer or for more information, call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-227-2345 or visit www.cancer.org.

Clothes for the needy

The Needy of Greater Baton Rouge has numerous drop boxes in Livingston Parish for residents to donate clothing and household items. The Needy of Greater Baton Rouge serves many parishes including Livingston. Drop boxes are located at all Carter's Supermarkets, Winn Dixie in Walker and New Covenant Baptist Church in Denham Springs. For more drop box locations in LivingstonParish, visit needyofgreaterbr.com.

Help Challenger Field

The Pilot Club of Denham Springs is seeking help to make Challenger Field a reality. A new ADA compliant baseball field would be used by mentally and physically disabled children from throughout Southeast Louisiana. Learn how you can help by calling 225-304-6225.

Girl Scouts - Type 1 Diabetes

A Girl Scout Troop for girls with Type 1 diabetes is now being offered. The troop will offer a safe place for scouts to test themselves, count carbs, and calculate blood sugars. They are planning day trips, activities, and programs that are fun, educational, and will be focused on awareness. Troop is open to all ages. Scouts in Baton Rouge, Denham Springs, Watson, and Walker are encouraged to sign up. For more information on how to become a member, contact Lisa Martin at sonoma-irish@hotmail.com or (225) 405-2532.

Help for single moms

A new non-profit group, "Showing Moms a Little Love" is a team of volunteers ranging from electricians, carpenters and mechanics to help single moms with various home projects at no cost. Founder Darren Blevins invites the community to check out the "Showing Moms a Little Love" Facebook page to learn more. Contact Darren by sending an e-mail to showingmomsalittlelove@yahoo.com.

Cleaning for cancer patients

Guarantee Girls, Inc. & Cleaning for a Reason provide free home cleaning services to local cancer patients. Visit www.cleaningforareason.org or contact Ellen Folks at ellenfolks@stopguarantee.com, 756-3900.

Women's support group

The Women's Resource Clinic, 12201 Florida Blvd., Livingston, is offering a "Women of Grace" support group for women suffering from addictions, depression and abuse. Feel safe with an open forum for sharing and discussion, and an opportunity to visit the Hope Closet including receiving Hope Closet Shopping Bucks. Snacks will be provided. Group meetings are held the first and third Thursday of each month from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. The next group meeting will be held Sept. 4. For more information, call 686-1123.

Volunteer for veterans

Veterans need volunteers to spend time with special veteran clients that are ending their life journey. They would appreciate someone to share and listen to their war stories. Contact Sue Hughes, Clarity Hospice, at 291-4700.

Child abuse hotline

Prevent Child Abuse Louisiana, a local volunteer-based organization needs volunteers for their KIDLINE, a toll-free crisis intervention hotline. Experience is not necessary and training will be provided. For more information, call 1-800-CHILDREN.

Rape crisis hotline

Scott M. Perrilloux, District Attorney, and the Tri-Parish Victim Assistance Rape Crisis Program have instituted a 24-hour, confidential, toll-free hotline for survivors of sexual assault at 1-877-748-6882.

Volunteer firefighters

Fire Protection District Five is looking for volunteer firefighters age 18 and older. Training and gear are all provided by Fire District 5. Stop by the station at Hwy. 190 and Eden Church Road or call 664-1679.

"Fix Your Cats"

Pet Aid is offering financial assistance to those who have a cat that needs to be spayed/neutered or those who are feeding stray cats that need to be spayed or neutered. In addition to the many health benefits, spaying or neutering your cat ensures that he or she won't contribute to the feline overpopulation problem. For more information, call 664-6126.

Animal Shelter Volunteers

The Livingston Parish Animal Shelter, 13525 Florida Blvd., Livingston, is seeking volunteers to play with dogs in yards, give them treats, and give them the love they need until they are adopted into loving homes. All volunteers 18 and under must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. For more information, call 225-686-7798.

Volunteer at DS Shelter

Are you a dog or cat person? Do you have a few extra hours a week? The Denham Springs Animal Shelter is looking for volunteers to work with the animals who would love to spend some one on one time with you. Ages 16 and up are also invited to walk dogs and spend quality time with the animals. Pet adoptions are available seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and at Petco on Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 664-4472.

Support Rescutopia

Rescutopia is an animal rescue management software provided for free to all nonprofit 501(c)(3) rescue organizations and animal shelters. Rescutopia will save organizations time and money by providing multiple means to organize animals, volunteers, fosters, medical records, shelter data, communications, adoptions, fosters, and many more items to be planned. Visit www.facebook.com/rescutopia or www.rescutopia.com.

Adoption day volunteers

The SPCA of Livingston is seeking dedicated volunteers to help with adoption events for cats. These events are held on Saturdays and Sundays at several locations throughout Denham Springs, Walker and Baton Rouge. If you would like to help, apply at www.livingstonspca.com.

SPCA Pet food donations

The SPCA of Livingston is in desperate need of pet food donations including dog, puppy, cat and kitten food, and cat litter. Donated items can be left at Friends Farm and Hardware on Walker South in Walker, directly across the street from Whitney Bank, or picked up by calling 788-6940.

SPCA members needed

The SPCA is seeking new volunteers. Volunteers do not need to foster animals, however foster homes are always needed. Donations of old towels, blankets and portable kennels for transporting animals to the vet and for rescuing are also needed. For more information, call 788-6940 or e-mail LASPCA@aol.com.

Pet Adoptions at Petco

The Denham Springs Animal Shelter has many loving cats and dogs available for adoption at the Denham Springs Petco every Saturday and Sunday. The Denham Springs Shelter, 600 C Bowman St. off River Road, is open for adoptions seven days a week. For more information, call 664-4472.

Cat foster parents needed

The SPCA of Livingston needs experienced cat and kitten foster families. The SPCA provides all vet care, cat/kitten food, litter, litter pans, kennels and bedding if needed. All cats and kittens are tested for blood/saliva/fecal transmittable diseases prior to entering your home. You provide a safe haven and lots of love until felines are adopted to permanent homes. Kittens are fostered in pairs. Adult cats can be fostered individually. Help save some adorable cats and kittens in Livingston Parish by filling out an application at www.livingstonspca.com/volunteer/Form_Volunteer.html.

Aspect Foundation Exchange student

Become a volunteer host family for an Aspect Foundation international exchange student. You will learn about different cultures while forming lifelong friendships with a new member of the family. Students come from over 30 different countries to study in your local high school and become active members of the community. Contact Lori Lynn at 877-873-6757 or lori.lynn@aspectfoundation.org. For more information, go to www.aspectfoundation.org.

International Cultural Exchange Services

International Cultural Exchange Services (ICES) is seeking local families interested in hosting international high school students, ages 15-18, from Europe, Asia, Latin and South America for the 2015 - 2016 School Year. Students have their own spending money and insurance, and a Local Coordinator provides supervision and support. The host family provides a loving environment and room and board. For more information, contact Sonya Aydell at saydell@icesusa.org or 225-603-6147.

MADD needs speakers

MADD, Mothers Against Drunk Driving, is seeking injured victims or their family members to tell their tragic stories at MADD's Victim Impact Panels in Baton Rouge, Denham Springs and Gonzales. DWI offenders are ordered by the courts to attend these sessions. For more information, call 926-0807.

Marine Corps League

Marines or FMF Navy Corpsmen are invited to join the Detachment #778 Marine Corps League. Marines join together to preserve traditions and render aid and assistance to all Marines and former Marines and to their widows and orphans. The league also provides funeral honors for fallen Marines, provides educational programs at local schools, participates in patriotic events, volunteers for community projects/events and supports local charities. Call Richard Ulrich at 225-235-8821 or Richard Branat at 225-272-1285. For additional information, go to www.mclbatonrouge.org.

Bingo at Amvets Post 68

Amvets Post 68, 26890 Hwy. 42, Springfield, holds Bingo every Friday night. Selling begins at 6 p.m. Games begin at 7:30 p.m. Two reception halls are also available for rent for special gatherings. Meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. For more information, call 294-8968.

The Coming Up column runs regularly in the lifestyle section as space permits and includes free announcements of special events occurring in Livingston Parish involving non-profit civic and other organizations. To place an announcement, email lifestylelpn@gmail.com.

Livingston Parish Churches

APOSTOLIC CHURCH

Anchor Apostolic Church
Dean Walsworth, Pastor,
30006 Bridge Rd., Livingston
572-3846/435-0287
Praise Temple Apostolic Pentecostal Church
12825 Arnold Rd., Walker
First Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ
Lockhart Rd., Denham Springs
665-8123
Live Oak Apostolic Church
36109 Hwy 16
Denham Springs • 405-4699
Livingwater Apostolic Church
27952 South Red Oaks,
Livingston • 686-3700
Magnolia Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ
8333 Rosewood St.,
Denham Springs • 791-9512

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

First Assembly of God
Hwy. 190, Denham Springs
664-3163
Freedom Worship Center
26490 Frost Rd., Livingston
698-9031

BAPTIST

Amite Baptist Church
7100 Amite Church Rd.,
Denham Springs • 665-2762.
Bethel Baptist Church
20149 Circle Dr., Livingston
686-2368
Bethlehem Baptist Church
Hwy. 43 South, Albany • 567-3666
Cane Market Rd. Baptist Church
35652 Cane Market Rd.,
Denham Springs • 665-6846
Carroll Baptist Church
Hwy. 1024 East,
6 miles north of Walker • 665-1061
Christ's Community Church
26574 Juban Rd.,
Denham Springs • 791-9333
Colyell Baptist Church
19524 La. Hwy. 42, Livingston
698-6243
Community Church
32234 Walnut St., Springfield
294-3733
Don Avenue Baptist Church
1010 Don Ave., Denham Springs
665-5150
Doyle Baptist Church
20745 Utah St., Livingston
686-2341
Emmanuel Baptist Church
10453 Arnold Rd.,
Denham Springs • 664-7249
Faith Baptist Church
17884 Hwy. 42, Livingston
698-6018
Faith Missionary Baptist Church
30993 Hwy. 16 N., Denham Springs
Faithway Baptist Mission
31575 Bankston Rd., Holden
567-9629
First Baptist Church of Albany
Hwy. 190, Albany • 664-3163
First Baptist Church of Denham Springs
308 River Rd., Denham Springs
664-4102
First Baptist Church of French Settlement
16735 La. Hwy 16S, French Settlement
698-9994
First Baptist Church of Head of Island
19114 Hwy. 22, Head of Island
First Baptist Church of Holden
30130 Hwy 441 Holden • 567-9368
First Baptist Church of Livingston
29401 S. Frost Rd., Livingston
686-2314
First Baptist Church of Springfield
31665 Hwy. 22 • 294-2156
Fundamental Baptist Church
24240 S. Frost Rd., 9 mi.
South of I-12, Livingston
698-6157 or 698-3802
Genesis Church
25353 Walker South Rd.,
Denham Springs • 664-2622
Glory Baptist Church
28450 Red Oak Rd., Livingston
Grace Baptist Temple
222 Range Ave., Denham Springs
Grace Bible Baptist Church
26060 Wax Rd., Denham Springs
664-3557
Gray's Creek Baptist Church
21039 Hwy. 16, Denham Springs
665-2127
Greater Third Zion Baptist Church
23956 Hwy. 22, Maurepas
Greater St. Mark Baptist Church
13590 Dunn St., Walker • 664-2742
Hebron Baptist Church
24063 Hwy. 16 South,
Denham Springs • 665-6278
Hillside Baptist Church
31320 Old B.R. Hwy., Albany
567-3212
Judson Baptist Church
32470 N. Walker Rd., Walker
665-5481
Killian First Baptist Church
27994 Hwy. 22., Killian • 695-6581
Live Oak Baptist Church
35603 Coxe Ave.,
Denham Springs • 243-6138
Lockhart Rd. Baptist Church
8327 Lockhart Rd.,
Denham Springs • 665-0374
Macedonia Baptist Church
34685 Hwy 1036, Holden • 777-4602
Magnolia Baptist Church
21445 La. 442, Holden • 567-9540
Maurepas Baptist Church
24309 Hwy. 22, Maurepas
695-3120
Midway Baptist
1004 Hatchell Lane,
Denham Springs • 664-3386
Midway Baptist Church
27284 S. Satsuma Rd.,
Livingston • 698-9412
Mount Hope Baptist Church
206 Sullivan St.,
Denham Springs • 665-1928
Mount Olive Baptist Church
31384 Dunn Rd., Denham Springs
664-5074
New Bethlehem Church
37818 Reinninger Rd.,
Denham Springs • 664-7532
New Covenant Baptist Church
215 Florida Ave.,
Denham Springs • 664-0858
New Zion Baptist Church
126 E. St., Denham Springs
664-7269
Northside Baptist Church
200 Cockerham Rd.,
Denham Springs • 664-3161
Oak View Baptist Church
27364 Hwy 63, Livingston
686-2030
Open Door Baptist Church
7000 Gloryland Way,
Denham Springs • 667-4679
Plainview Baptist Church
S. Walker Rd., Walker • 665-6969
Pine Grove Baptist Church
21949 Hwy. 444
near Bayou Barbary,
Livingston • 698-6137
Red Oak Baptist Church
28760 S. Red Oak Rd.,
Livingston • 686-2588
Riverside Baptist Church
36890 Hwy. 16, Denham Springs
664-1278
Salem Baptist Church
36474 Weiss Rd / Hwy 63,
Walker • 667-2588
Satsuma Baptist Church
29896 Satsuma Rd., Livingston
686-2563
Southside Baptist Church
7572 Vincent Rd.,
Denham Springs • 665-5868
South Walker Baptist Church
13719 Hammack Rd., Walker
369-0109
Springville Baptist Church
22902 Livingston Aux. 42
294-2720
St. Paul's Baptist Church
Head of Island, LA
The New Beginnings Baptist Church
9768 Florida Blvd., Walker
281-2470
The Way Church
9270 Cockerham Rd., Denham Springs
Victory Baptist Church
31449 North Corbin Road, Walker
Walker Baptist Church
10696 Florida Blvd., Walker
665-8368
Watson Baptist Church
35831 Cane Market Rd., Watson
667-8818
Woodland Baptist Church
27929 Hwy 1037 • 225-294-5530

CATHOLIC

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
Hatchell Ln., Denham Springs
665-5359
St. Joseph Catholic Church
15710 Hwy 16,
French Settlement • 698-3110
St. Margaret Catholic Church
30300 Catholic Hall Rd. (Hwy 43-S & I-12) Albany • 567-3573
St. Thomas Catholic Church
32121 Main St. Springfield
567-3573
Sacred Heart Catholic Church
29589 S. Poplar, Livingston
665-5359

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Church of Christ in Walker
Hwy. 190 East, Walker • 664-0457
Denham Springs Church of Christ
118 St. Louis St.,
Denham Springs • 665-5261

CHURCH OF GOD

Chapelwood Church of God
2119 Tower St., Denham Springs
772-6371

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

Denham Springs First Ward
25367 Riverton Ave.,
Denham Springs • 664-7671
Denham Springs Second Ward
25367 Riverton Ave.,
Denham Springs • 665-1581

EPISCOPAL

St. Francis Episcopal Church
Corner of Maple
& The Angelian Way,
Denham Springs • 665-2707

METHODIST

Faith Crossing United Methodist Church
34260 Walker North, Walker
243-6094
First United Methodist Church
316 Centerville NW,
Denham Springs • 665-8995
James Chapel United Methodist Church
28200 James Chapel Rd.,
Holden • 567-1007
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