

SHETAURA JANUARY is Teen Miss 2002 Black Heritage Festival Queen. She is the 13-year old daughter of Kay Savoy and Gregory January of Cameron and is a seventh grade student at South Cameron Elementary. She is also Teen Miss Photogenic and most ticket sales winner.

S. Board to recognize Lady Mustangs Mon.

The Hackberry High School Lady Mustangs, Class C girls state champions, will be recognized by the Cameron Parish School Board at its monthly meeting at 4 p.m., Monday, March 18.

Also recognized will be the La. School Board Assoc. art contest contestants, junior and senior 4-H clubs and Beta and Student Councils.

Three parish schools also will be recognized for their students' improved performances on the La. Educational Assessment tests. They are Hackberry and Grand Lake High and South Cameron Elementary.

Dan Richey, state coordinator of the Governor's Program on Abstinence, will address the board.

The board will also consider an executive session to consider an appeal for expulsion.

Billedeaux, Michalko All State

By ADAM BURNS (American Press)

It was another banner year for the Hackberry High School girls basketball team.

After a third straight Sweet 16 appearance, a second state title, the Lady Mustangs are well represented on the Louisiana Sports Writers Association Class C all-state team, as voted on by a panel of sportswriters from throughout the state.

Hackberry's Eddie Michalko was named Coach of the Year while Leah Billedeaux was a first-team all-state selection and Tobie Devall was a second team pick.

Hackberry's Blake Murphy received an honorable mention on the all-state Class C boys team.

More funds received for heating

The Cameron Community Action Agency has received more federal funds for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program and local families may qualify for assistance with their heating bills.

Eligible households with children age five years and younger, the elderly and handicapped persons will be given priority.

To be eligible the total income for all persons in the household cannot exceed 150% of the federal poverty income guidelines as shown below or at least one persons in the household must be receiving federal assistance. Size of Family Unit: 1 - monthly income limit: \$1074; 2 - \$1451; 3 - \$1829; 4 - \$2206; 5 - \$2584; 6 - \$2961; 7 - \$3339; 8 - \$3716.

Applications will be taken by appointment Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m. at the Cameron Community Action Agency offices which are located in Cameron at 723 Marshall Street and in Grand Lake at 951 Hwy. 384. Call 775-5145 in Cameron and 598-5158 in Grand Lake to get more information.

Absentee voting set

Absentee voting for the April 6, election in School District 4 will be held Mar. 25-30, in the Cameron Registrar of Voters office in the basement of the courthouse. The office will be open from 8:30 to 4:30 Monday-Friday and from 8:30 to noon on Saturday.

Approximately 1174 persons are presently registered to vote in the district.

The election is to choose someone to complete the District 4 school board member's current term of office which will end Dec. 31.

There are to candidates for the race--Dorothy D. Theriot and Sheila A. Conner.

GED is offered at G.L. & Cam.

The Cameron Community Action Agency announces the continuation of GED classes in the Grand Lake Community. The classes begin Sept. 4 from 5 to 8 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Classes will be held at the Action Agency office located behind the Grand Lake Ambulance Station and next door to the Grand Lake post office. Call 598-5158 to register. All classes are free of charge and open to the public.

The Agency also announced the continuation of GED classes in Cameron. The classes are held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Cameron Senior Center, 723 Marshall St. For more information or to register call Tutt Savoie at 775-5145.

All facilities are handicapped equipped and anyone with a disability may contact the Agency at 775-5145, Dinah Landry, Director, for assistance.

Items sought for state marine fisheries museum

By KEVIN SAVOIE

The Louisiana Marine Fisheries Museum has begun construction of a new wing, which will more than double the size of the museum, according to Museum Task Force Chairman Art Cormier. The museum has the goal of showing how Louisianians have used and depended on fisheries and other natural resources from the colonial era to the present.

"With the expansion of the museum," says Cormier, "we have a greater need than ever for historical artifacts related to fishing and fur trapping." Although the museum needs everything from heavy equipment to labels off of seafood cans, certain items are especially needed for displays currently under design. Included on their wish list are:

1. Human mannequins to use in activity displays.

Bridge out two months

LA. 384 at the Grand Lake pontoon bridge is closed to traffic. The bridge will be closed for approximately two months while repairs are made at the site, due to a marine collision.

This site is located approximately one mile west of Boones' Corner.

Traffic is advised to detour via LA. 384, the Black Bayou bridge site.

Black Bayou bridge schedule

The Black Bayou Pontoon bridge located east of the Calcasieu Lock will be open to vehicular traffic from 6:30 to 8:30 a.m. and from 4:15 to 6:15 p.m. Marine traffic will be allowed from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. These special times have been set due to the Grand Lake Pontoon bridge being repaired.

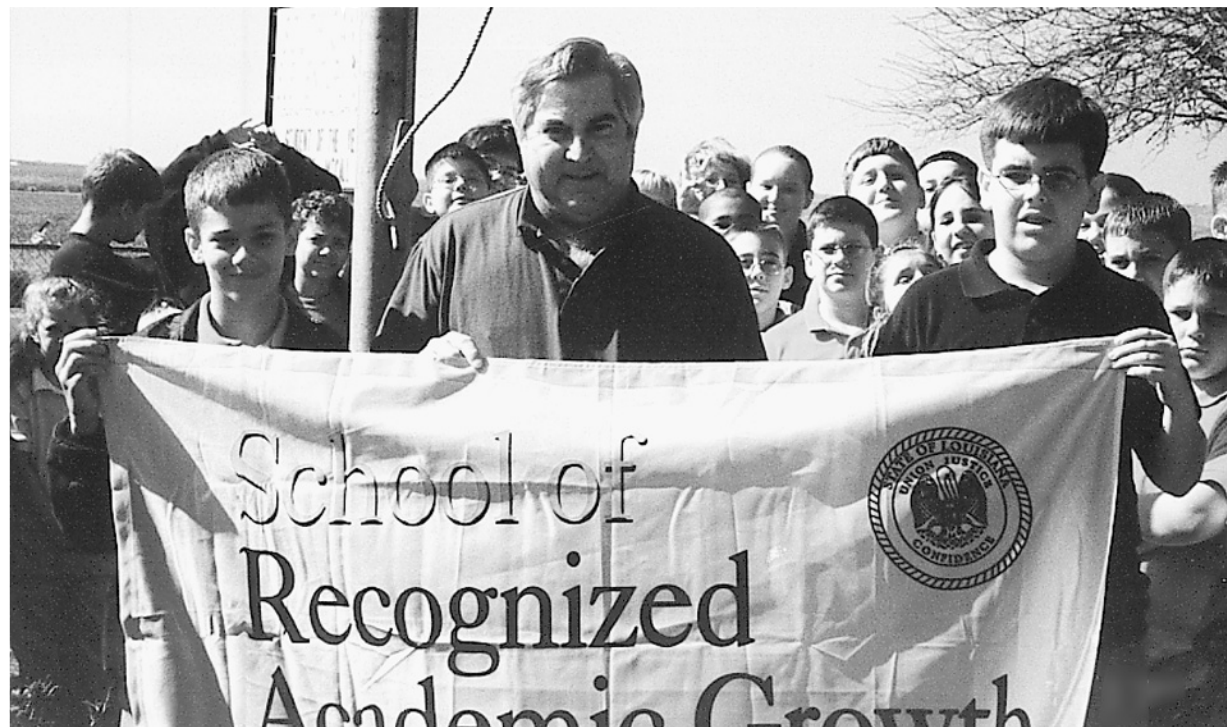
2. A fur trapper's skinning knife and axe.
3. Fish mounts.
4. Old boat building tools.
5. Shrimp drying platform equipment, especially a wooden chinese basket.
6. A Winchester Model 97 12-gauge shotgun.
7. A slaughter pole.
8. Old recreational fishing equipment.

Donors or lenders may call Cormier at 504-436-4681. He will arrange for pickup of any item and appropriate credit. Cormier stressed that old fishing, trapping and hunting photographs are also still of interest for the museum. Photographs will be duplicated and returned.

The Louisiana Marine Fisheries Museum is located on the northern edge of the Village of Jean Lafitte, south of New Orleans and is open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



THIS IS HOW the "old" Grand Chenier High School looked in 1935. It was replaced with a new building some years later.



SHOWN HOLDING the flag that was presented to South Cameron Elementary School along with \$4,372 in recognition of the growth of its academic program are Principal Barry Wayne Richard and students Chad Benoit and Kade Conner. (Photo by Geneva Griffith.)

3 Cameron Parish schools honored for achievement

The State Department of Education hosted the Exemplary and Recognized Schools Rewards Ceremony on Monday, March 4, 2002, at the Lafayette Hilton. Presenting rewards were State Superintendent of Education, Cecil J. Picard, Senator GERALD Theunissen and Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, District 7 Member Dale Bayard.

The Cameron Parish School Board was recognized for having

three of its five eligible schools honored at the ceremony. The rewards criteria included growth in test scores as well as decreases in absenteeism and students dropping out of schools. This cycle did not include traditional high school campuses, of which Cameron Parish has one - South Cameron High School.

In addition to monetary rewards, the principals of the schools honored were awarded a trophy flag for public recognition of their accomplishments.

Hackberry High School exhibited the largest growth in Cameron Parish and was named a school of Exemplary Academic Growth. In the second category, that of Recognized Academic Growth, both Grand Lake High School and South Cameron Elementary were honored. Principals Austin LaBove, David Duhon and Barry Richard accepted their schools' flags on behalf of their faculties and student bodies.

School program stresses family involvement here

The first annual "Academic Success for All Days" was held at Cameron Elementary School on February 14 and 15. Pat Ortiz with the State Department of Education addressed faculty and parents stressing the importance of family involvement in our school.

After the family involvement presentation, academic awards were presented to honor roll and banner roll students. Students and parents were then treated to refreshments in the auditorium lobby.

Individual conferences were scheduled for the remainder of the day. Each parent had an opportunity to visit with their child's teacher at length about their child's academic progress. While parents waited for their conference, many visited the Star Lab and Computer Lab.

Parent response to the 'Academic Success for All' Day was overwhelmingly positive. Seventy-five percent of our parents took part in the parent conference. A monthly newsletter will be developed to keep parents involved in our school. Family involvement publication from the State Department of Education will continue to be forwarded to parents. Our greatest benefit will be to continue communications between home and school.

NAACP to meet Fri.

The NAACP will hold a meeting Fri., Mar. 15, at 7 p.m. at 183 Lillian St., Cameron. All members are asked to attend this important meeting. For more information, contact Louise Cole, 775-5240.



Revival to be held at 1st Baptist

Renewed Vision will be the theme of revival meetings to be held at First Baptist Church of Cameron, Mar. 17-20. Rev. J. P. Miles will be the evangelist and Andy Jacobsen will lead the music. Services will be at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Sunday and noon and 7 p.m., Monday thru Wednesday.

Rev. Miles pastored churches in Louisiana and Mississippi for 25 years before his appointment as Director of Missions for the Carey Baptist Association eight years ago.

Jacobsen served as a full-time music minister in the Lake Charles area for 12 years and now is part of the music ministry at Trinity Baptist Church.

In addition to the luncheon services, special events during the revival will include family night activities on Monday and youth night on Tuesday. Wednesday will be men's pack the pew night.

For more information contact Rev. Alton Hodnett, pastor, at 775-5446.

New flag is raised at S. C. Elem.

By GENEVA GRIFFITH

South Cameron Elementary School held a ceremony Thursday morning to raise a new flag given the school for exemplary academic growth this past year. Along with the flag the school received a check for \$4,372.95 from the La. Dept. of Education.

The money must be used for technical advancement at the school and cannot be used for salaries.

Two other Cameron parish schools also received flags and checks -- Hackberry High, \$6,246.56, and Grand Lake High, \$8,642.28.

South Cameron Principal Barry Richard said the teachers will choose what to do with the grant, probably for new computer software.

Ramblers to be honored

(American Press)

The makers of a documentary on the Hackberry Ramblers seeks information and pictures of the old Silver Star, where the band played in the 1950's.

Filmmaker John Whitehead of Minnesota said he will pay for any images he uses.

Anyone with photos and/or information is asked to call lead guitarist and singer Glen Croker, 477-6055.

The documentary, "Make 'Em Dance" local debut will be at 7:30 p.m., Apr. 13, at McNeese's Parra Ballroom, a day after the Ramblers perform at the university as part of the Banners series.

Whitehead has worked on the film for more than two years.



PICTURED AT the ceremony held in Lafayette March 4 where three Cameron Parish schools were honored were, from left: Supt. of Education Cecil Picard, Supervisor Stephanie Rodrigue, South Cameron Elementary teacher Elizabeth Richard, Supervisor Willyne Kestel, Grand Lake High teacher Marie Delord, South Cameron Elementary teacher Charlyn LeJeune, Grand Lake Principal David Duhon, Grand Lake teacher Denise Breland, South Cameron Principal Barry Richard, Hackberry teacher Roxanne Richard, and Hackberry Principal Austin LaBove.

Funerals

LULA MAE DELOME

Funeral services for Lula Mae Delome, 82, of Jennings, were held Mon., Mar. 11, from Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

The Rev. Wayne LeBleu officiated; burial was in Greenwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Delome died Sat., Mar. 9, 2002, in the Jennings hospital.

A native of Egan, she was a resident of Jennings. She was a cook at Mom's Cajun Kitchen for 12 years.

Survivors include three sons, James L. Delome of New Iberia, Leroy Delome of Hackberry and Danny Delome of Welsh; two brothers, Clarence Semar and Charles Semar, both of Hayes; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

CLYDE H. DUHON

Funeral services for Clyde H. Duhon, 73, of Grand Lake, were held Mon., Mar. 11, in Johnson Funeral Home, Lake Charles.

The Rev. Wayne Taylor officiated; burial was in Highland Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Mr. Duhon died Sat., Mar. 9, 2002, in a Lake Charles hospital.

He was a lifelong resident of the Grand Lake area. He was an Army veteran and attended Sweet Lake Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Chesson Duhon of Sweet Lake; one son, David Wayne Duhon of Grand Lake; three brothers, Leo Duhon of Grand Lake, George Duhon of Big Lake and Clifford Duhon of Orangedale, Calif.; one sister, Della Mae Richard of Grand Lake and three grandchildren.

LYDIA M. LANNIN

Funeral services for Lydia Marie Lannin, 80, of Big Lake,

were held Mon., Mar. 11, in Hixson Funeral Home.

The Rev. Bryan King officiated; burial was in Big Lake Cemetery in Big Lake.

Mrs. Lannin died Fri., Mar. 8, 2002, in a Lake Charles hospital.

She was a native of Galveston, Tex., and lived most of her life in Big Lake. She was a member of St. Mary of the Lake Catholic Church in Big Lake.

Survivors include two sons, Clifford "Sonny" Lannin Jr. of Big Lake and Mark W. Lannin of Lake Charles; four daughters, Betty J. Maas of Merryville, Marie J. Fontenot of Lake Charles, Martha L. Sarver of Carlyss and Carol A. Fox of Bettendorf, Iowa; one brother, Fredrick Wannage of Big Lake; one sister, Martha W. Manuel of Lake Charles; 16 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

Recordbook workshop set

The Hackberry 4-H Club members are reminded that record book workshops are taking place every Monday and Wednesday afternoon in the computer lab. Parents are invited to attend these workshops with their children.

There is still time to complete a one project record book. Books are due to the local leader Friday, Mar. 22, and will be submitted to the 4-H Office Monday, Mar. 25. 4-H Club members are to bring their project books, pictures and any other records or awards they received this year. All workshops will last until 4:30 p.m.



PICTURED ABOVE ARE the Cameron Parish representatives attending 4-H Challenge Camp, March 8 - 10 (sitting, from left): Counselors Kelly Cline and Jennifer McLean; (kneeling) Taylor Simon, Travis Treme, Jacob Trahan, and Chandler LeBoeuf; (third row) Leader Dede Nunez, Shylyn Nunez, Megan Morgan, Kayla Backlund, Katelyn Reina, Natasha Hicks, Meghan Richard, Sara Taylor, Brittany Thomas, Cami Vincent, Haley Willis; (back row) 4-H Agent Mike LaVergne, Counselors Christopher Welch and Kerri Cronan, Tiffany Ayres, Justin Picou, Chelsi King, Cameron Beckmann, Amber Kelly, Dylan Jouett, Alex Broussard, and 4-H Agent Penny Thibodeaux. Ryan King also accompanied the group.

21 parish 4-Hers attend Challenge Camp

A total of 21 Cameron Parish 7th grade 4-Hers stepped back in time to the 50's to participate in 4-H Challenge Camp, March 8-10. These youth participated in several activities that encouraged them to work with others in a group setting. In several indoor activities campers were challenged to learn about manners, health, nutrition, career exploration, and self esteem activities.

Outdoor activities included a group of various youth working together to accomplish some type of physical challenge such as moving their whole group from one end of a log without anyone leaving the log, moving the group through a giant spider web without touching the web, moving the group through a cinder block maze without touching the ground using a rope and boards, moving their group across an imaginary crack in the earth using a rope to move the group and bringing a bucket of water

without spilling it, and moving their entire group in unison through an area while standing on 4 x 4 boards with ropes attached.

Another group challenging activity was for each group to work together to design, build, decorate a cardboard iHotrodi boat using a yardstick, utility knife, 3 sheets of cardboard and a role of duct tape. Once this task was completed, the group presented their design to the entire camp and demonstrated their boat by taking two of their group members across the camp swimming pool.

During all of these activities, campers were assisted by senior level 4-Hers adult leaders, and 4-H Agents to give guidance and encouragement to accomplish the task facing them.

The highlight of the weekend was a banquet having a 50's theme, where 50's music was played and 4-H Agents and adult

volunteers dressed in 50's clothing and served the youth in a banquet style atmosphere.

During the banquet, campers demonstrated skills acquired in the camp classes such as manners to their group peers. Life skills obtained through these challenge camp activities helped the youth learn how to work with others, while instilling communication skills, cooperation, respect, fairness, responsibility, caring, citizenship, trustworthiness, and critical thinking which leads to problem solving.

S. Cameron Honor Roll

South Cameron High School honor roll for the fourth six weeks is as follows: (*denotes all A's).

Eighth grade - D'Nae Desonier, Theresa Baccigalopi*, Christian McCall, Melaina Welch, Barton Vidrine, Meagen Trahan, Paul Nguyen*.

Ninth grade - Nick Aplin, Toni Boudoin, Dane Dupont, Matt Miller, Gambrelle Pri-meaux, Matt Richard, Jonathan Rutherford, Kayla Rutherford, Cana Trahan*, Wesley Treme, Ashley Wells.

Tenth grade - Michael Bercier*, Christina Boudreaux, Courtney Conner, Santana Conner, Lacey Deroche, Beau Duhon*, Raphael Heard*, Jacob Johnson, Sha'Da LeBlanc, Tara LeBlanc, Lyndi LeBoeuf*, Joby Richard*, Serena Richard*, Nicole Roux, Tyler Theriot, Cassandra Trahan, John Paul Troclair, Brett Baccigalopi*.

Eleventh grade - Deon Bartie, Tonya Clement, Lynsi Conner, Ashley Kelley, Parry Dean LaLande, Jessica Murphy, Beth-any Nunez*, Ashley Reyes, Tobias Schurke, Chelsi Styron, Travis Swire, Lindsay Willis*.

Twelfth grade - Erica Baccigalopi*, Brett Billings, Amanda Boudoin, Kayla Broussard, Rica Canik, Jeffrey Deshields, Chris-topher Dimas, Tess Dimas, Adam Doxey*, Nicole Higgins, Neil Higgins, Donnie January, Krystal King, Jodi Landry, Katie McKoin*, Dawn Menard, Lynn Nguyen*, Ashley Nunez, Garry Primeaux, Kerrie Richard, Gregoire Theriot*, Samantha Trahan*, Derrick Waguespack, Ch-ance Doxey, Matthew Sanders*.

Hackberry honor roll

The honor roll for the fourth six weeks at Hackberry High School is as follows: (*denotes all A's).

Amanda Abshire*, Kevin Alford, Ashley Austin, Amberlee Baque, Danielle Berry*, Leah Billedeaux, Lauren broussard, Meagan Broussard*, Jarin Brown, Jesse Brown, Marcus Bufford, Jake Buford, Travis Cain, Wiley Clement, Lindy Delome*, Tobie Devall, A. J. Deville.

Colleen Doucette, Natasha Ducote, Thomas Ducote, Erica Duhon, Jessica East, Lindsey East*, Nicole Fenetz, Jenna Granger*, Lynn Guillory, An-gelica Hebert*, Nathan Hebert, Sandy Hebert, Kelsey Helmer, Miranda Hicks, Natasha Hicks, Sean Hicks.

Lauren Johnson*, Leeann Johnson*, Meagan Johnson*, Aaron LaBove, Chelsie LaBove*, Devan LaBove, Haley LaBove*, Hillary LaBove, Lindsay LaBove, Leah LaFleur*, Holley Landry*, Jessica Landry, Blaise Leonards, Kylie Leonards, Matthew Little, Mandy Michalko*, Marcie Michalko*.

Steve Miller, Ami Picou, Jacob Poole*, Waylon Raymond, Jailyn Reed, Bethany Richard, Paige Sanders*, Allyson Sanner, Colton Sanner, Lesley Sanner*, Meghan Shipp, Lori Shove,

J. Bayou Honor Roll

The Johnson Bayou Honor roll for the fourth six weeks is as follows: (*denotes all A's).

First grade: Zachary Hebert*, Dylan Morrison*, Katie Murphy*, Dustin Romero*, Kristopher Trahan*, Austin Badon, Blake Badon, Kendal Badon, Kaitlin Billiot, Sarah Conner, Cade Cramer, Allison Romero, Byron Romero, Victoria Smith.

Second grade: Kassidy Badon*, Harmony Trahan*, Jade Winsea*.

Fourth grade: Blake Winsea*, Kathryn Bourgeois, Caleb Dodge, Michael Trahan.

Sixth grade: Kimberly Trahan.

Seventh grade: Holly Simon.

Eighth grade: Katie Young*, Katrina McGee, Lacci McNeil, Laura Trahan.

Ninth grade: John Bourgeois*, Rustin Trahan.

Tenth grade: Christopher Welch*, Cassie McNeil, Ashley Price, Megan Roberts, Beau Rodrigue.

Eleventh grade: Jana Billiot*, Jill Simon*, Juanita Cox, Dominique Sandifer, John Snyder, Brina Trahan, Justin Trahan.

Twelfth grade: Misty Badon*, Amber Romero*, Andrea Brown, Natasha Trahan.

Micah Silver*, Alexis Simon*, Lori Spicer, Brett Stansel, Keith Welch and Amanda White.

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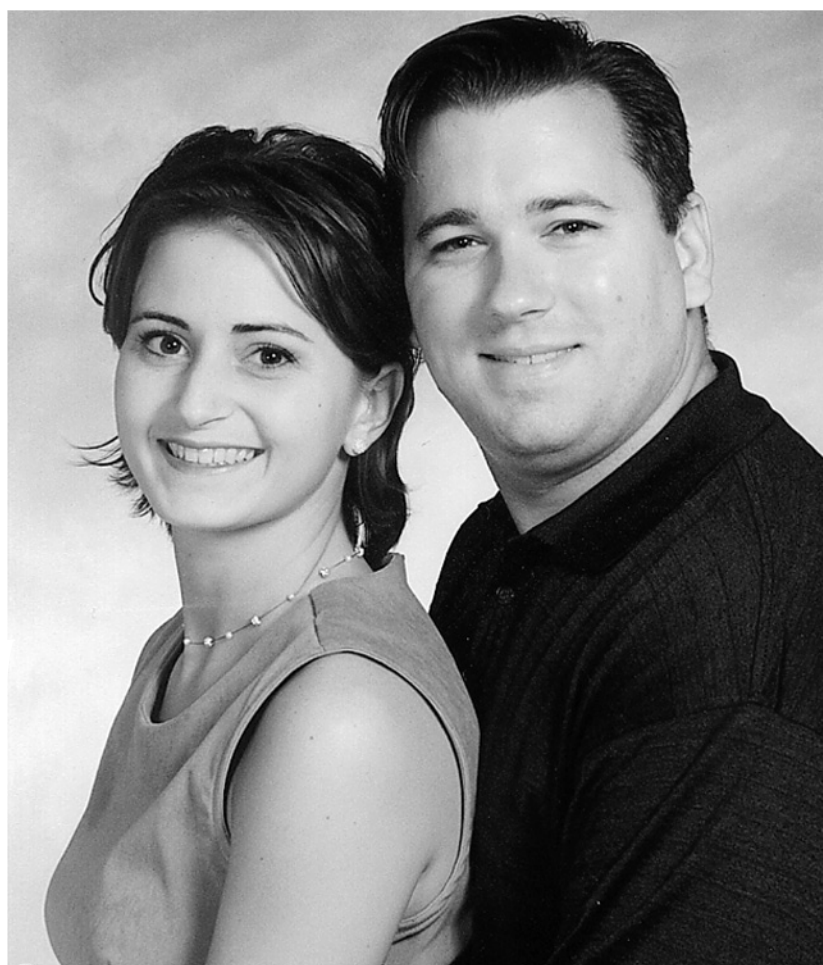
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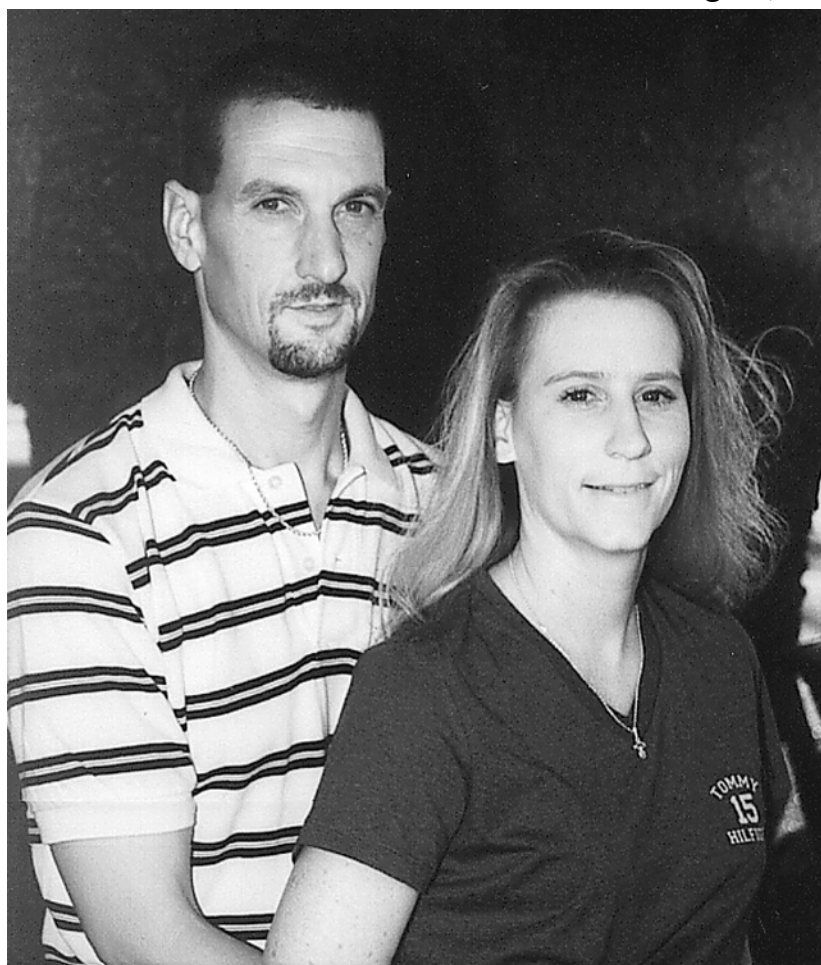
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FARRELL AND PAM Blanchard of Johnson Bayou announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jennifer Blanchard, to Aaron Hutchins, son of Randy and Debbie Hutchins of Port Neches, Tex. The wedding is set for Saturday, April 20 at Our Lady of Assumption in Johnson Bayou at 2 p.m. A reception will follow in the Johnson Bayou Community Center. Through this means, friends and relatives are invited to attend.



MR. RUSSELL SAVOIE and Cynthia Savoie, both of Creole, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jennifer Mae Savoie, to Kevin Joseph Saltzman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Saltzman of Grand Lake. The wedding is set for Saturday, April 6 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Creole at 11 a.m. A reception will follow at the Cameron Multi-Purpose Building. Through this means, friends and relatives are invited to attend. The wedding was previously set to take place at Jennifer Jones' home.

Cameron Elem. tells Honor and banner rolls

Mr. Carol Wainwright, principal at Cameron Elementary announces the Honor & Banner Roll for the 4th Six Weeks period ending: February 27, 2002

First Grade Honor Roll: Courtney Daigle, Marcus Doxey, Karlee Primeaux, Jamie Toureau, Kara Wigley.

First Grade Banner Roll: Ashley Bowers, Kent Doxey, Shawnda Guidry, Christopher Guillot, DeVaughn Thompson, Alayna Trahan

Second Grade Honor Roll: Donovan Darby, Fred Dronet, Carolina Jasso, Dina Mendez, Andrew Mudd, Chelsea Nunez, Raj Patel, Sadie Trahan

Second Grade Banner Roll: Sian Hairston, Sabrina Peshoff, Heather Wittmann

Third Grade Honor Roll: Kelly Guidry, Brittany Hicks, Kade Pierson, Jadah Primeaux, Katie Noveroske, Taylor Rhodes,

Third Grade Banner Roll: None

Fourth Grade Honor Roll: Molly Alexander, Dex Murphy, Caleb Roux, Hallie Whittington

Fourth Grade Banner Roll: Meagan Wigley

Fifth Grade Honor Roll: Kayla Dronet, LaKasha Lassien, Jody Trosclair, Blair Willis

Fifth Grade Banner Roll: None

Sixth Grade Honor Roll: Amanda Benoit, James Cormier, Michaela Gray, Bryan Whittington, Daniel Roberson

Sixth Grade Banner Roll: Lori Boullion, Fabian Jinks, Rachael Fountain, Keyara Lassien, Erika Pickett, Kami Savoie, Thomas Trosclair

Seventh Grade Honor Roll: Adonise Abshire, Chad Andrews, Samantha Bailey, Baret Bercier, Jaclyn Higgins, Dylan Leidig

Seventh Grade Banner Roll: Aaron Doxey.

4-Hers attend challenge camp

Members of the Hackberry Jr. 4-H club who attended challenge camp March 8-10 at Camp Grant Walker were Kayla Backlund, Taylor Simon, Brittany Thomas, Natasha Hicks, Amber Kelley, and Cameron Beckman.

They enjoyed handcrafts, outdoor challenges, and nightly programs. Challenge camp is a weekend camp for seventh grade 4-H club members who have excelled in their 4-H activities.

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J. B. Knights meet

Glenn Trahan was named Knight of the Month and Ray and Margaret Young were named Family of the Month when the F. J. Pavell Knights of Columbus Council 8323 met Feb. 25, at Johnson Bayou.

The next regular K.C. bingo will be held Sun., Mar. 17, at 2 p.m. at the Renewal Center.

The next K.C. meeting will be Mar. 18, at 6:15 p.m. The host for the meal is Gerald Touchet.

A K.C. community blood drive was held Feb. 25 at Johnson Bayou High School.

District Deputy Art Guthrie reported that Council 8323 hosted its free throw contest in January as well as the District K.C. contest Feb. 2. The district winners from Johnson Bayou

were Dustin Badon and Destiny Sonnier.


The annual CDA-KC banquet will be Sun., Apr. 7, at 6 p.m. in the Renewal Center.

K of C state convention is set for May 3-5, in Alexandria. Delegates are Edmond Trahan, Glenn Trahan and Gerald Touchet.

The annual Good Friday Walk will be Fri., Mar. 29, beginning at 12:30 p.m. Way of the Cross and Communion service will be held at 3 p.m. at Assumption Church.



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PICTURED ABOVE are the eight members of the Cameron Elementary Mathcounts team. They are Dylan L., Kami S., Erika P., Michael S., Aaron D., Rachael F., Baret B., and David V. On February 23 Cameron Elementary participated in the regional competition at McNeese Stat University. This is Cameron Elementary's 7th year in participating in the Regional Mathcounts Competition at McNeese. Mathcounts is a national competition between schools around the nation.



A ST. JOSEPH Altar will be held Monday, March 18 at the home of Mark and Angie Granger, 185 Austen Rd., Hackberry, with Veneration until 9 p.m. Mass will be held Tuesday, March 19 at 10 a.m., followed by the traditional feeding of the saints. Lunch will be served until 2 p.m. and Veneration will continue until 9 p.m. Tuesday. All are welcome to attend.

Hack. teams dominate All-District selections

The state champion Lady Mustangs and the Mustangs of Hackberry dominated the all-district teams for boys and girls. Tobie Devall was named the girls Most Outstanding Player while head coach Eddie Michalko garnered Coach of the Year honors. Devall, a sophomore guard, averaged 7.3 points per game and 3.3 rebounds, and 5 assists. The boys team also claimed the top two honors. Blake Murphy was named Most Outstanding Player and Terry Murphy was named Coach of the Year. Senior guard Murphy averaged 13.4 points per game while grabbing an average of 11.4 rebounds per game.

Girls First Team All District
Leah Billedeaux, Hackberry; Megan Broussard, Hackberry; Tobie Devall, Hackberry; Kim Joyce, Hyatt; Amber Romero, Johnson Bayou

Second Team
Natasha Trahan, Johnson Bayou; Sirena Duhon, Hackberry; Jessica Smith, Hyatt; Edie Leonards, Hackberry; Stacy Trahan, Johnson Bayou

Boys First Team
Blake Murphy, Hackberry; Jake Buford, Hackberry; Kyle Badon, Johnson Bayou; Tye Barlow, Hyatt; Cody Coleman, Hyatt

Second Team
Dominique Sandifer, Johnson Bayou; Brett Stansel, Hackberry; Curtis Welch, Hackberry; Bryan Crenshaw, Hyatt; Jason Petrey, Pecan Island

Baseball Clinic

A Pro Swing baseball clinic sponsored by the Cameron Parish Youth League and staffed by Pro Swing coaches will be held March 17 from 1-5 p.m. at the Cameron Recreation Complex.

Ages are 7 and up, beginners to experienced players, cost is \$20 per player.

Call Vicki Little at 542-4934 to sign up. Bring glove, bat, ball, cleats, all labeled in bat bag.

Youth League

Cameron Parish Youth League registration will be held Sunday, March 24 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Cameron Recreation Complex for: T-ball, boys and girls 5-6 years old (Ages as of August 1, 2002); machine pitch, 7-8 year olds; player pitch, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14 year olds.

Bring your glove for player round-up with coaches. Cost is \$20 per player, and \$15 each additional child. Birth certificate is required for new players.

For more information call Vicki Little at 542-4934.

Cameron Outdoors

By Loston McEvers

LEMESCHE BASS CLUB SHOOTOUT

The Lemesche Bass Club, having to cancel the Mar. 3, club shootout because of cold weather, fished Rockefeller Refuge las Saturday. Weather was cloudy, then rain, then the north wind around noon, a few more drops of rain, and then the winds blew, however, it was a great day and enjoyed by all. Fishing was on the tough side, with only one team having five bass.

In the bass category, 1st place went to Tom Hess and Scottie Trosclair with 5 bass weighing 5.65. They also had the largest bass of 2.15 and a second place redfish weighing 4.05 pounds.

Second place team was Richard Duhon and George Melancon with 4 bass weighing 3 lbs.

Third place stringer went to Loston McEvers and Rudy McEvers, two bass weighing 2.80 and the second largest bass weighing in at 2.10 lbs.

Darren Richard and Corey Broussard had the third place

bass, 1.80, but had the largest redfish of 4.75 lbs.

Carl Broussard and Tony Conner had one bass, but caught a good many catfish, one blue cat weighing in a 13.95 lbs.

The club will fish their first club tournament of the year Sun., Mar. 17, in the Big Burns. Fishing hours are from sunrise to 3 p.m. weigh-in of five largest team bass. This will be a pick your partner tournament.

FISHING REPORTS

Rockefeller Refuge is producing redfish averaging 16 to 20 inches, and some good catfishing. Carl Broussard caught some nice blue cat and he caught them on cut-up weiners, the hotdog type.

The Grand Chenier and Cameron jetties are loaded with large bull reds, however I find them tough to catch.

AGENTS CHECKING

Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries agents have been

SOFTBALL

South Cameron 6; Merryville 4 - The Lady Tarpons scored all six of their runs with two outs in the fifth inning as they open district play with a win. Brittany Mudd threw for South Cameron (6-1, 1-

checking fishermen, so anglers be sure to have your life vest, fire equipment, fishing license and whatever you are supposed to have and don't litter.

I was checked along with my son this past week and the agents were very nice, asking for what they wanted, thanking us and everyone went away happy.

NEWS BRIEFS

If you're speaking to a fisherman, he may tell you that fishing is not a matter of life and death, but that it's much more important. He'll also tell you that bragging may not bring him happiness, but if he caught a large fish, he would not go home through the alley.

DAYTIME FISHING TIMES

Fri., Mar. 15 - 12:30 p.m., 2:45 p.m.

Sat., Mar. 16 - 1 p.m., 3:30 p.m.

Sun., Mar. 17 - 1:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m.

Mon., Mar. 18 - 2 p.m., 5:30 p.m.

Tues., Mar. 19 - 3 p.m., 6 p.m.

Wed., Mar. 20 - 3:30 p.m., 7 p.m.

Thurs., Mar. 21 - 4:30 p.m., 8 p.m.

Good on Mar. 20 - 4-6:30 a.m. and Mar. 21 - 4:30-7:30 a.m.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mar. 14 - Sabine and Cameron Prairie National Refuges open.

Mar. 15 - Lacassine National Refuge opens (pool closed).

Mar. 16 - Miami Corporation permit fishing opens.

Mar. 17 - Lemesche Bass Club tournament, Big Burn, pick a partner, sunrise to 3 p.m. weigh-in.

Mar. 20-23 - 23rd annual La. Sportsmen Show, Superdome.

Apr. 11-13 - Southwest La. Bird Festival, Lake Arthur.

Apr. 21-Oct. 31 - red snapper sports season opens, limit 4, minimum total length 16 inches.

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CAMERON ELEMENTARY School had three "Academic Success for All" days on Feb. 15. Students on the honor roll for the first semester for the first grade class were: Alayna Trahan, Marcus Doxey, Ashleigh Bowers, Jada Skipper, Jamie Toureau, Xavier Cole, Christopher Guillot, Jose Vargas, DeVaughn Thompson, Karlee Primeaux, Dalton Portie, Courtney Daigle, Shawnda Guidry, and Kent Doxey. They are pictured with their first grade teachers Mrs. Angie Weldon and Mrs. Jones.



JENNIFER MCLEAN presented a program on "How using accessories can stretch your wardrobe" to members of the Grand Lake Sr. 4-H club. She was assisted by 4-H Agent Mike LaVergne.

Yesterday's News

By Keith Hambrick

(Lake Charles American Press, March 11, 1939)

CREOLE HIGH SCHOOL ANNOUNCED HONOR ROLL

The Creole High School announced the following honor students for the fourth six-weeks grading period:

First grade: Carol Guttry, Lynford Miller, Lorraine Stagg, Lucille Venable. Second grade: Dorothy Bourriaque, Bennie Garber, Lucille Guttry, Gilbert Landry, H. P. LeBlanc, Jr., Bertha Toerner. Third grade: Lurlie Mae Broussard, Beatrice LeBoeuf, C. A. Miller, Kermit Murphy, Dudley Venable.

Fourth grade: Ray Conner, Tillie Guttry, Dorothy Mae Nunez. Fifth grade: Karl Theriot, Ethel Toerner, Bernice Venable. Sixth grade: Windola Bour-riague, Grace Mudd, Irma Nunez, Lovenia Theriot, Iola Trahan, Lorena Trahan. Seventh grade: Corine Nunez, Mildred Savoie, Oble Lee Theriot.

Eighth grade: Dixie Ferguson, Ned Melancon. Ninth grade: Cecil Clark, Inez LeBoeuf, Filly Phillips, Edna Richard. Tenth grade: Ivan Glass, Alton Melancon, Audrey Savoy. Eleven-th grade: Ernest Levingston, and Amos Nunez.

(Cameron Pilot, March 13, 1969) HACKBERRY'S OIL PRODUCTION

Advances in technology have boosted Pan American Petroleum Corp.'s oil production in the Hackberry field to an average of about 12,000 barrels a day, according to Patrick J. Early, Lake Charles area superintendent.

This level is almost double Pan American's production in the field in the early sixties. The company, the biggest producer at Hackberry, added 19 new productive wells last year, bringing its net total in the field to 105.

Hackberry is Pan Am's largest field in the State of Louisiana, and it ranks fifth in over 1,000 fields being produced throughout North America by the Standard Oil Co. (Indiana) subsidiary.

Called the "Venice of the oil patch," Hackberry is unique because all surface operations must be carried out by boats navigating an elaborate system of canals. About 75 percent of the field lies beneath shallow

Black Lake and the marshland which surrounds it.

Pan Am became involved at Hackberry in 1935 when its predecessor, Stanolind Oil and Gas, acquired the field plus other properties from Yount-Lee Oil Co.

Hackberry is one of a number of salt dome fields extending some 750 miles along the Gulf Coast from Alabama to southern Mexico. Production comes from three main zones, none of which are produced in the same way.

OLD WASHPOT HAD MANY USES

By Bernice Stewart

Probably no one utensil served a greater or a more varied need during the 1800's or early 1900's than did the big three-legged black iron wash pot. Practically every family in what is now Cameron Parish owned one. The size ranged from small through medium and large. Some backyards boasted two of them.

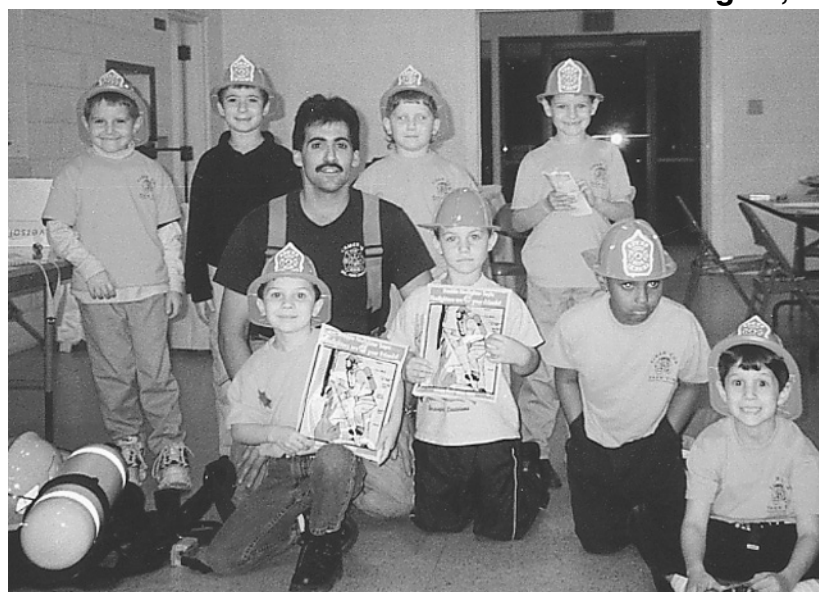
The most common use for the pot was to boil clothes in it on washday. The woman would first heat water in it for her washing. Then after she had dipped the hot water from it into her tubs, she would refill it with cold water. While the second pot of water was warming she would soap and rub the linens and white garments. Then she would souse them into the pot and literally boil the dirt away.

A second use of the pot was making soap. The earliest settlers produced their own lye with which to make their soap. A big barrel stood outside the back kitchen door. It was raised from the ground by two or three bricks or blocks or hardwood. It was kept filled with wood ashes from the fireplace or stove. Oak ashes were favored. An earthen jar or crock was set on the ground beneath a hole in the barrel. From time to time water was poured through the ashes and out through the hole in the bottom. By this time it was lye. It dripped into the jar.

A housewife made soap in the big black pot by combining scraps of household fats and greases with the lye an then boiling the mixture the proper length of time. A cream-gray soap was the result.

STATE WINNERS

Cindy and Becky Morris, Creole 4-H Club members, both placed in junior girls showman-



OSCAR REYES, a Cameron Parish fireman for the past 22 years, talked to the Cameron Tiger Cub Pack 210 about fire safety and showed them special firefighting equipment. He told of the importance of using 911 in an emergency and having smoke alarms in the home.



RHONDA AND DEDE Duhon are shown selecting tax forms for the FREE tax preparations to be done at the Cameron Parish Library from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., March 14th. The Louisiana Dept. of Revenue will be preparing, and electronically filing state, 1040EZ and 1040A forms at no cost on a first come- first served basis March 14th only at the library.

Tarpons hosted track meet Friday

One of the first track meets of the season was held at Tarpon Stadium last Friday. The host Tarpons finished 5th behind DeQuincy, Vinton, Pickering, and Grand Lake.

The Lady Tarpons finished first with 188 points. Grand Lake finished in 6th place. The Lady Tarpons Courtney Conner received the Outstanding Track

award. Events and places are: shot put- 2nd Justin LaBove, Grand Lake; discus- 2nd Oliver Primeaux, South Cameron; javelin- 2nd Robbie Montie, South Cameron and 3rd Jay Bergeron, Grand Lake; high jump- 3rd Jeff DeShields, South Cameron; triple jump- Jeff DeShields; pole vault- 2nd Chase Horn, South Cameron; 100- 3rd Joseph Johnson, Grand Lake; 200- 2nd Joseph Johnson; 400 relay- 3rd Grand Lake; 800 relay- 2nd Grand Lake and 3rd South Cameron; 1600 relay- 2nd Grand Lake. Placing in the girls events were: Keisha January, South Cameron- 1st shot put; Ashley Nunez, South Cameron- 3rd discus; D. Menard, South Cameron- 2nd discus; Nicole Higgins, South Cameron- 1st javelin; K. Rutherford, South Cameron- 2nd high jump and 2nd triple jump; C. McCall, South Cameron- 1st long jump; K. Richard, South Cameron- 3rd triple jump; R. Canik, South Cameron- 1st pole vault; Courtney Conner, South Cameron- 2nd pole vault, 1st 100, 1st in 110 hurdles; Erin Dinger, South Cameron- 3rd in 400; Sabrina Conner, South Cameron- 1st in 800; Chelsey Styron, South Cameron- 3rd in 800, 2nd in 1600, and 1st in 3200; Sarah Brister, Grand Lake- 1st in 1600.

GRAND JURY'S WORK

The Cameron Parish Grand Jury returned four true bills and one no true bill Monday in Cameron. Also the Grand Jury recommended that the courthouse be repainted inside and out, the blinds fixed, and awning erected at the front entrance; that cooling be installed in the jail, a padded cell added and that more fire fighting equipment be placed in the courthouse.

Patrick A. Doland was foreman of the Grand Jury. Other members were Paul Allen conner, L. J. LeBlanc, James L. Nunez, Freddie Adam Theriot, Walter H. Griffith, Lowell Cory, Charles Ray Murphy, Andrew Bour-riague, Joseph L. Richard and Joseph D. Fruge.

SCOUTS AIDED BY LEGION

The Sturlese American Legion Post 364 met Tuesday, March 4, at the home in Grand Chenier. A majority of the members were present. A \$25 check was sent to the Burl Delaney fund. Mr. Delaney was hurt in an oil field accident about a year ago.

The Boy Scout troop of Grand Chenier was donated \$150 with which to purchase tents and equipment.

Enos Sturlese furnished cement steps for the Hall.

The meal was prepared by Thomas Broussard.

NEWS BRIEFS

Interior Communications Electrician Second Class Jean H. Dimas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dimas of Route 1, Cameron, is serving aboard the guided missile destroyer USS Berkeley at its homeport in Long Beach, Calif.

Among crewmen honored in a memorial service held near White Castle March 5 was Engineman 3rd class, Walton E. O'Quinn, the late husband of the former Virginia Morales of Cameron.



TINA BOUDREAUX and Rhonda Duhon are shown examining one of the quilted Christmas tree ornaments that will be made at the library March 21st at 5 p.m. There is a small fee to cover the costs of supplies and pre-registration is requested by calling 775-5421.



CHARLOTTE TROSCLAIR, library director, is shown exhibiting the values of the Excel program to JoDee Roberts. Microsoft Quickstart Excel computer classes will be offered at the Cameron Parish Library March 26 and 28 by Sowela Tech. The fee for the class is \$30. Pre-registration is required by calling 775-5421.

Hackberry 4-H club sees demonstration

By LAURA LARGENT

The Hackberry Sr. 4-H club viewed a demonstration, Nuts and Bolts, Feb. 15, delivered by Josie Brown and Marcus Bufford. They placed first with the demonstration at Cameron Parish 4-H Demonstration Day and are eligible to compete at LSU Short Course with it in June. Members sampled the healthy snack.

Mrs. Penny Thibodeaux, parish agent, presented Micah Silver a rosette for winning 1st place overall in his division for the Cameron Parish 4-H dairy poster contest. She also presented ribbons to Josie and Marcus for winning 1st place with their horticulture use demonstration. Micah also received a 1st place ribbon with his horticulture general demonstration.

Kristin Gray presented a livestock show committee report. Showing animals this year were Kristin, Malorie Shoves, Brittany Landry and Leah Billedeaux.

Josie Brown, CRD chairman, reported that in December the club collected food items for Christmas food baskets. In January they collected cleaning items for Bel's Animal Shelter in Lake Charles. In February they

made Valentine cards for the senior citizens of the Council on Aging site.

Marcus Bufford reported on parish achievement day to be held at Grand Lake High School on Apr. 13, and the Cameron parish 4-H award night to be held at Cameron Elementary on Apr. 19.

Micah Silver reported on the activities of the Cameron Parish junior leaders club. In January they visited Bel's Animal Shelter. In February they assisted with the Calcasieu-Cameron shooting sports activity day in Lake Charles. In March they will collect and donate food to Help Hope of Cameron. On Apr. 2, they will travel to Abraham's Tent and serve meals to needy persons.

Mrs. Thibodeaux said record books will be due Mar. 22.

Team formed for coastal restoration

There was recently a gathering of more than 30 people at the U. S. Army Engineers' district office in New Orleans to form the Louisiana Coastal Restoration Collocated Team. They will work to save the 19,000s square miles in the Louisiana Coastal Area.

The team got a jawbreaker of a name because they are all working in one place - that is, collocated - and they come from eight government agencies: U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Resources Conservation Service, U. S. Geological Survey, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Louisiana Department of Natural Resources and Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development.

The Coast 2050 Project is expected to cost \$14 billion - and to save almost 20,000 square miles of coastal Louisiana, from Mississippi to Texas.

"By having the agencies together in one office, we have better coordination and get more work done," said Tom Podany, senior project manager for the Corps' New Orleans District.

Grand Lake 4-Hers place in contests

Five Grand Lake Sr. 4-Hers competed in the 4-H Contest Day held at Cameron Elementary School. They had the following places:

Malia Edwards, 1st Handicrafts (metal etching); Jennifer McLean, 1st egg cookery (desserts), and overall winner deserts; Mandi Richard, 1st processed poultry and overall winner - processed poultry, 1st handicrafts (beading), 1st handicrafts (braiding), and 1st leathercraft (macrame).

Heather Woodgett, 1st egg cookery (salads), 1st basketry, 1st fabric decorations, and 1st holiday decorations.

Keri Cronan, 3rd poultry cookery (chicken, 1st seafood cookery (oysters), and overall winner seafood cookery, and 1st in fish and other seafood cookery

Hackberry

By Grace Welch

WALTHER BABY

Patrick and Patricia Walther of Sabine Pass, Tex., announce the birth of a son, Andrew James, Jan. 14, at Women and Children's Hospital, Lake Charles. He weighed 8 lbs. 3 ozs.

Grandparents are John Walther of Moss Bluff and J. D. and Mae Simon of Hackberry.

A great-grandmother is Anola Simon of Hackberry.

The couple's other children are Emma and Laurie.

K. C. MEETING

The Hackberry K. C. Council will meet Mar. 20, at 7 p.m. in the room behind the altar at St. Peter's.

The cucumber is not a vegetable; botanically, it is a fruit. So are the eggplant, the pumpkin, the squash, the tomato, the gherkin, and the okra.



DO YOU REMEMBER? This picture of the old Cameron Post Office was taken about 1935.

Cold weather really cold in the old days

By BERNICE STEWART
Cameron Pilot, Jan. 9, 1969

You think it's cold nowadays.

The wet, freezing weather of the past week called to mind similar winter days when I was a young child on the Chenier. In almost all modern homes inclement weather does not bring the additional work that it did in those days.

The house of today with year-round weather control is in wide contrast to the one of yesteryear with its fireplace or big wood-burning heater in addition to the kitchen range. Then it was imperative that the huge wood-box in the kitchen be filled with dry kindling and with wood chopped into proper stove lengths.

Fireplace or heater wood was usually piled in a corner of the open front porch.

Before retiring for the night the master of the house covered the coals in the heater with ashes so as to keep them alive. However, if the embers died out, he resorted to his bucket, or can, or corncobs soaking in coal oil in order to start a quick fire.

Many of the ladies on the Chenier took great pride in raising pot plants. Among those tended in our home were geraniums of every color, begonias, wandering Jew, coleus, rubber plants, wax-plant, snake plant, Boston fern, asparagus fern and maiden-hair fern. Ordinarily the ferns were kept inside the house but dozens of other plants grew in containers set on staircase shelves on the long south porch.

When the temperature threatened a severe drop, all members of the family aided in bringing the growing plants, into the wide hall. If a hard freeze were apparent my mother would light one or two lanterns, turn the wicks low, and set them among her potted pets for warmth.

Another precaution was to

empty the water from the China pitchers sitting in their bowls on washstands in the bedrooms. The freezing water might cause them to break.

Extra quilts and blankets were placed on the beds long before dark and the covers were turned down. Each person's sleeping garment was laid out on his bed. As we mentioned in a former article, a heated sadiron or brick was wrapped in an old, soft cloth and placed in many a bed to warm it before its occupant crept in.

Sufficient water had been carried in during the day to insure enough for family use and for heating the next morning in order to melt the frozen cistern faucet or the old well pump.

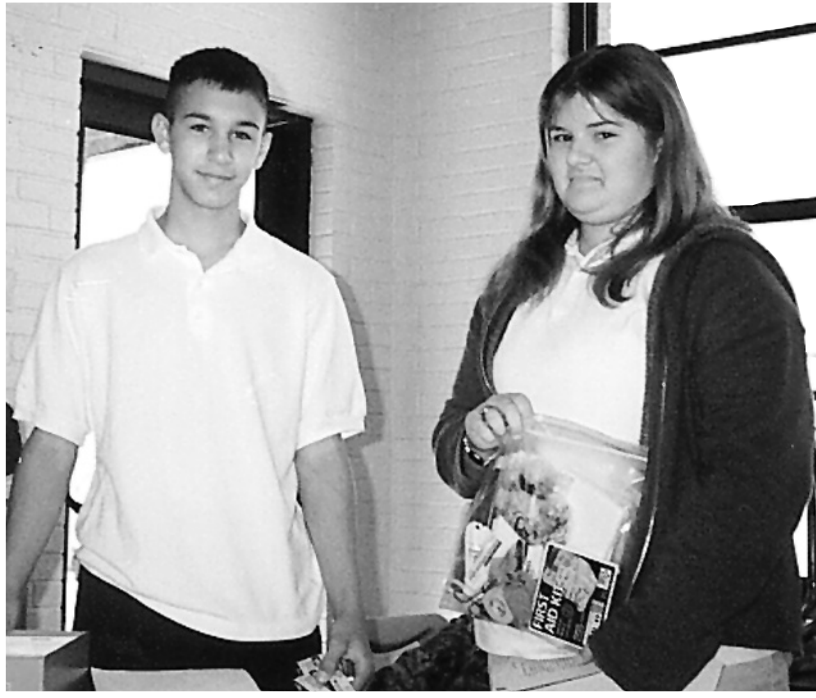
Drying clothes in freezing weather created a real problem. In homes where there were infants and small children daily washing was a necessity. Clothes were hung over back of chairs before the fireplace or heater.

I often watched my mother carry partly dried clothes upstairs to hang them on the rail built around the stairwell. She would explain, "warm air rises. They will be dry tomorrow." Sometimes clothes were hung in the attic on lines stretched near the flue. What a boon is our automatic clothes dryer of today!

The big pantry in our house was built north of the kitchen. There were a few times when the contents of a Mason fruit jar would freeze and burst the jar.

Brother and I enjoyed the occasions when milk in the big yellow crocks on the pantry shelves froze. Then Grandmother would scoop out a cupful, mix it with sugar and vanilla, and hand one to each of us. Such a delicious tasting concoction it proved to be. While we froze our little insides we hugged the heater all the more closely.

For the animals, shucked corn was put into the stable troughs for the horses and fodder was pitched down from the loft in



GRAND LAKE4-HERS Michael Watson and Elizabeth Smith demonstrate "How to prepare a first aid kit" at the March 4-H meeting.

Bridge problems faced police jurors in 1969

(Lake Charles American Press, March 9, 1939)

BIG LAKE HD CLUB

Rug making at home was the topic studied by the Big Lake HD Club at the home of Mrs. Absie Duhon with Miss Sophie Bernard, agent, in charge.

Present were Mesdames Ernest LeBoeuf, J. E. Agen, C. Cox, J. P. LeBoeuf, Jasper Agea, Ones Babineaux, C. L. Guidry, W. J. Montie, Nicholas Demary, Absie Duhon, and Miss Sophie Bernard.

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BRIDGE SOLUTIONS SOUGHT BY JURORS

The Cameron Parish Police Jury attacked the problems of bridges head-on Tuesday, adopting a variety of resolutions.

Traffic out of the Hackberry-Johnson Bayou area north has been virtually blocked for the last few weeks after the Ellender pontoon bridge was knocked out by a barge. Since that time the bridge has been hit about three other times--the latest was Monday.

A small ferry has been unable to keep up with the volume of traffic, and motorists have complained of waits of up to four or five hours at the ferry.

Among the resolutions

the barn for the cattle. The little calves were fed and housed in the "shekay" shed.

Grandfather brought in shelled corn for Grandmother to heat thoroughly in big pans in the oven. Then he fed it to the chickens before they flew into their house. It was the opinion of my grandparents that hot food in cold weather was needed by all, whether they boasted a stomach or a gizzard.

Although I recall only one snowfall during my childhood, I never gave up hoping during each extremely cold spell that snow would fall in great white drifts.

Mother had read Whittier's "Snow-Bound" aloud to us. I was too young to understand or to appreciate the poet's splendid characterization of those who were gathered about his fireside. But my child mind was definitely receptive to the idea of a farm house half-hidden in deep banks of snow.

It is interesting to note that even today in Cameron, children still anticipate snow storms of the same intensity as the one made famous by John Greenleaf Whittier.

adopted by the jury Tuesday was one addressed to the U. S. Dept. of Transportation asking for a hearing on the three pontoon bridges on the Intracoastal Canal in Cameron and Calcasieu parishes on the grounds that the bridges are "obstructions to both barge and highway traffic."

It was felt by the jury that the federal government might assist in building high-level bridges at these locations based on the "obstruction" argument.

A second resolution was adopted requesting permission for high-level bridges to be constructed at the Gibbstown and Sweet Lake crossings in Cameron Parish and also over the Calcasieu River at Cameron. Juror Butch Crain said that there was no money anywhere in sight for such bridges, but that he felt the jury should have the permission to build the bridges in case any money ever turned up.

Another resolution, adopted perhaps in a joking mood, accused Louisiana with "discriminating" against a "small minority - the 7200 citizens of Cameron Parish", by extracting millions of dollars of minerals from the parish and not giving the parish proper facilities, such as bridges, in return. The DA was asked to "investigate legal action that could be taken against the state."

SCIENCE WINNERS

South Cameron High School held its Science Fair recently. The following winners will go to the area Science Fair at McNeese March 20-22.

Lower Elementary--Kenneth LeDano, Neil Carter, Alfred Trahan, Jerome Carter, Renee Boudreaux, Jim Boudreaux.

Upper Elementary--Toby Landry, Renee Reina, Yvonne Roberts, Mirinda LaDano, Glenn Baccigalopi.

Junior Division--Maureen Johnson, Ruby Nunez, Donnie Nunez, Rod Landry, Carol Wainwright, Jerry Canik, Robby Mhire, Dale LeBoeuf.

Senior Division--Clarice Rome, Mary Woodgett, Suetta Jones, Cynthia Tanner, Michael McCall, Arlene Tarter, Linda Smith, Steven LaFleur, Felice Dardeau, Kathy Baccigalopi, Melodi Swire, Dorothy Baccigalopi, Wedna Benoit, Paula Dupont, Phyllis Savoie, Charles Benoit, Dayton Trahan, Wade Hebert, Cynthia Tanner, and Margaret Savoie.



DO YOU REMEMBER? This photo was taken 20 to 25 years ago and shows former Governor Edwin Edwards cutting a ribbon in Cameron Parish, aided by former State Rep. Conway LeBlou. The occasion may have been the opening of the Gibbstown bridge. Perhaps someone can identify the little girl.

CONNER NEW PRINCIPAL

Adam Conner, acting principal at Johnson Bayou High School, has been named principal of the new South Cameron Elementary School which will open this fall at Oak Grove.

Conner was guidance counselor at South Cameron High School until he was named to the Johnson Bayou position last fall.

Joe Sonnier, principal at Johnson Bayou for a number of years, took a year's sabbatical leave to work on his Ph.D. degree.

"OPERATION 975"

March is Red Cross Drive month in Cameron Parish. Al Dugas, drive chairman for the Calcasieu-Cameron chapter, enrolled W. F. Henry, Jr., Cameron Parish Police Jury president, in "Operation 975." "Operation 975" refers to the 9.75 that the Red Cross estimates it spends on each serviceman in Vietnam each year.

RETRIEVER TRIALS HELD

The Cameron Parish Retriever Club held the first of a four-series Field Trials Sunday afternoon at the American Legion Home at Grand Chenier.

The Puppy Trials were won by Roy Hebert's "Butch," followed by Johnny Roy's "King" in second place, and Roy Hebert's "Sally" in third place. A field of seven was entered in these trials.

In the "Open All Classes" event, Dan Dupont's "Missy" captured first place, followed by Everette Burleigh's "Jude" in second place, and Bill Pinch's "Mike" in third place.

Judges for the Sunday event were Richard Hebert and Louis Canik.

NEWS BRIEFS

Members of the Richard Brothers American Legion Post 176 of Grand Chenier have been asked to turn out at 7:30 a.m., Saturday, March 8 to work on the new Legion home, according to Commander Edison Mhire. He also reminded members to

The Gumbo Pot

By Kevin Savoie

Crabmeat Pizza

This month's recipe comes to us from Debbie and George Barisch of Violet. It is supposed to be just as good using shrimp instead of crabmeat. They suggest, however, that if raw shrimp are used that they be sauteed in butter until cooked, before being added to the mixture.

- 2 12-oz. packages vermicelli
- 1 lb. fresh mushrooms, sliced
- 1 large bell pepper, chopped
- 1 large bunch green onions, chopped
- 1 lb. butter
- 1 lb. Velveeta cheese
- 1 lb. crabmeat (or sauteed shrimp)
- 1/2 pint half and half
- 1 small jar of pimientos, chopped
- Salt and pepper and tabasco to taste

Boil the vermicelli and drain well. While pasta water is heating, saute the mushrooms, bell pepper and green onions in half of the butter until soft. Melt the cheese in the rest of the butter in a double boiler. Add the sauteed seasonings, crabmeat, and the half and half. Mix well over moderate heat. Mix these ingredients with the cooked and drained vermicelli in oven-proof dish. Heat in oven for 30 minutes at 350 F. Serves six.

watch the Ed Sullivan Show on Sunday, March 9, in which Post 176 will participate.

Verna Jean Welch of Hackberry High School was named to the second All-District Nine B Basketball Squad. Miss Welch led her team in scoring during the 1968-69 season.

Charlotte Brasseaux, who was named Queen of the South Cameron FHA Chapter recently, was presented roses by Principal J. C. Reina. Last year's queen, Debbie Jones, placed a banner on the new queen.



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