



GERALD CANNON, Josh Martin, Shelly Springfield, and Bobby Bowers (driver) delivered a truck load of church furnishings from Princeton, Ken., to the First Baptist Church of Cameron last Saturday. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

Baptist church rebuilding aided by three groups

By **CYNDI SELLERS**

During the past two weeks, three groups of volunteers have made a drastic change in the First Baptist Church building in Cameron. The building was severely damaged by Hurricane Rita, beyond the capacity of its members to repair on their own.

First, the Americorps volunteers from Denver, Colo. arrived and cleaned out the debris in the church's gym. Later they returned to clear out the fellowship hall, classrooms and, worst of all, kitchen. One of the team said helping the church was one of her favorite jobs since coming to Cameron. Another said cleaning the kitchen was also the worst.

The two Americorps teams, each having 11 members, removed the heavy divider curtains and muddied carpet from the rooms, gutted the kitchen, carted bricks and sheetrock to the street, and dismantled a cooler that had floated into the churchyard from the elementary school.

Meanwhile, a team of skilled electricians and carpenters arrived from Resurrection Life Church in

Grand Haven, Mich. Their pastor had visited Cameron and contacted the Baptist Church to offer their help. Bob Bos, Todd Twinning, Dave Bosch, Ed Smith, Joe Paquin, Marcelino Galicia, and Ben VanZytveld made up the first team.

While waiting for the church's rooms to be cleared, they put their skills to use helping two families with house repair, joined by two volunteers from Ontario, Canada, Betty and Wayne Salchert, and Thomas Cosgrove of Lititz, Pa.

Turning their attention to the church, the volunteers were able to set a temporary electrical pole and secure the exterior of the education building with plywood and Tyvek®. Upon departing for home last Friday, team leader Bob Bos was already planning for another team to fol-

low and complete more of the job.

Then, on Saturday, a group of men from Southside Baptist Church in Princeton, Ky., arrived with an eighteen wheeler loaded with pews, choir chairs, carpet, office furniture, hymnbooks, a communion table, and a pulpit.

A church member visiting Cameron a few weeks ago had mentioned that their church was remodeling and asked if their old pews could be used here. Soon church members were organizing a collection. One church member, Bobby Bowers, owns a trucking company and volunteered to drive the truckload of furniture all the way to Cameron. He brought three friends, Gerald Cannon, Josh Martin, and Shelly Springfield, along to help unload.

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Large contribution told

The H. C. Drew Estate trustees, Beau Barbe III and Wade Shaddock, Jr. have granted \$198,165 to be divided among Grand Lake, Cameron Elementary, South Cameron Elementary and South Cameron High Schools.

These monies have been allocated to purchase mobile laptops for students, library

books, and audiovisuals for the libraries, smart boards, scanners, and in-focus projectors for the classrooms.

"We are very thankful and appreciative of the H. C. Drew Estate's generosity and willingness to assist Cameron Parish Schools in educating our children," a school spokesman said.

Hackberry center closes

The Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) in Cameron Parish, located at 986 Main Street in Hackberry, closed on Saturday March 18, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and

Emergency Preparedness announced.

"This DRC has served more than 1,500 applicants since it opened on Dec. 7, 2005," said Federal Coordinating Officer Scott Wells.

Applicants may also access information by calling the Helpline at 1-800-621-3362.

Fr. Senneville dies March 18

Father Eugene Senneville, 84, died Saturday, March 18, 2006. He was pastor of Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church in Cameron some years ago.

His funeral was held Wednesday, March 22 from Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Port Barre. Entombment was in Sacred Heart Mausoleum.

(The Pilot will have a more complete obituary for Father Senneville next week.)



VOLUNTEERS FROM Michigan, Pennsylvania, and Ontario, Canada helped repair the First Baptist Church of Cameron last week. They are, from left, Dave Bosch, Wayne Salchert, Betty Salchert, Bob Bos, Joe Paquin, Ben VanZytveld, Thomas Cosgrove, Ed Smith, Marcelino Galicia, and Todd Twining. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



THE CAMERON PARISH Police Jury's temporary office in Grand Lake, shown being readied for occupancy, is located just south of the Parish line on the Gulf Highway in Grand Lake. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

Proposed bill would give control of entire ship channel to L. C. Port

By **CYNDI SELLERS**

A bombshell was dropped on the Parish of Cameron this week when word arrived of a bill proposed by the Port of Lake Charles for this spring's regular legislative session in Baton Rouge.

The proposed legislation, which would give the Lake Charles Harbor and Terminal District sole control of the entire Calcasieu Ship Channel - including power to expropriate improved land outside its territorial boundaries - has brought all Cameron Parish officials together in defense against what they see as no less than an attack on the whole parish.

At a special Police Jury meeting held Monday night to discuss the bill, plans were laid to lobby the committee which will first consider it, and to charter busses if necessary to transport all interested parties to Baton Rouge for the hearing.

West Cameron Port Board members promised to inform all member of the Port Authorities of Louisiana, meeting in Lake Charles this week, about the proposed legislation and its implications for all ports in the state, if passed.

Other officials, whose tax support could be jeopardized by expropriation of land to another governmental agency, vowed to seek support from their respective organizations as well. Sheriff Theos Duhon, Clerk of Court Carl Broussard, and Tax Assessor Bobby Conner all joined with the Police Jury in opposing the bill.

Fire and ambulance districts, water boards, schools, libraries, drainage boards, recreation districts, etc. would all be affected by the removal of valuable industrial property from the parish's tax base.

"This is the death of

Cameron Parish if this happens, said Howard Romero, West Cameron Port Board member. "If they come in and take over the ship channel it's the end of Cameron Parish as we know it."

Superintendent of School Doug Chance promised to have the item on next week's School Board agenda as well.

Ernie Broussard was put in charge of the committee to plan for the lobbying effort. Cameron Parish's new Economic Development and Planning Director said, "It is sobering to be here (discussing this issue) at this time, especially when hurricane recovery is at stake."

Many believe the bill is a response to the recent lawsuit filed by the West Cameron Port Board against the Lake Charles Port concerning the legality of their operation of a business in Cameron Parish. One provision of the bill ratifies any actions taken by the LCPB outside its territory before July 1, 2006.

Broussard said "To go with legislation in the middle of litigation is not well intended. Cameron is the portal for a \$300 billion industry, which you have fathered and nurtured, and which the Lake Charles Port would now like to have a part of."

James Ducote, referring to the liquefied natural gas industry, said "We have a \$3 billion opportunity, but it's our opportunity. We recovered from Hurricane Audrey, we will recover from Hurricane Rita; but if this happens we'll never recover."

Romero went a step further, saying, "All along their plan was to come into

Cameron Parish and take over. All along they've been looking for a place to expand. We've just been hit by Rita. They are like a bully who hits the weak when they're down. But like when Hitler got the Japanese to attack us at Pearl Harbor, they woke a sleeping giant."

The Lake Charles Port Board has a Cameron Parish representative, Lynn Knapp. All board members are required by law to live in Calcasieu Parish.

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Police Jury offices back in Cameron

By **CYNDI SELLERS**

The Police Jury administrative department will complete the move out of Jennings and into Cameron Parish Thursday, March 23, when it moves into temporary quarters in modular buildings located north of Grand Lake.

The buildings have been set up on the parish's 80 acre industrial site just south of the parish line at 10080 Gulf Highway.

The phone numbers at the new facility will be 337-905-1189 or 337-905-1190. The fax numbers will be 905-1191 and 905-1193.

The temporary building in Cameron, east of the Court House, will remain open, as well.

FEMA making audits

FEMA is currently conducting an audit of disaster assistance payments to individuals to ensure that the taxpayer dollars were provided in an appropriate manner and in an amount to meet the eligible needs of the applicant. The audit of these payments at times will lead to a recoupment process. This process is meant to both identify incorrect payment and instances of fraud, as well as to discourage any abuse of the system.

FEMA will only recoup money that has been INCORRECTLY applied and could include the following examples:

*Duplication of benefits. The law says that FEMA cannot pay in addition to insurance coverage, except in rare circumstances.

*Application error. Some people may not realize that most forms of disaster assistance are not provided for secondary residences or multiple

members of the same household.

*FEMA processing error. occasionally, approval of payments is made in error and must be corrected.

*Intentional misrepresentation of eligibility or need (fraud).

Individuals who receive recoupment letters have the right to contact FEMA to further discuss their case, request information from their file, or appeal the determination. Instructions are included in the recoupment letters as to how they should proceed. For individuals with questions on the process or who would like information about the notice, they can call the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-FEMA.

For individuals who are unable to pay the full amount at one time they will be referred to FEMA's Disaster Finance Center to assist them in setting up a payment plan.

First Mass to be held since Rita

Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Creole will celebrate their first Mass since Hurricane Rita at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Mar. 26.

Father Joseph McGrath will officiate.

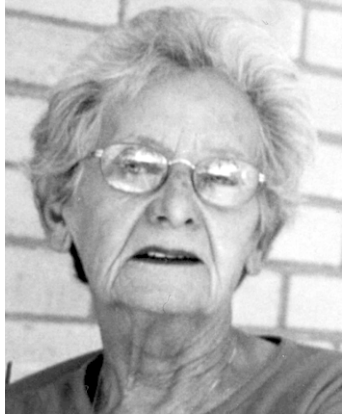
Limited mail service begun

The Postal service has established limited mail pick-up in Cameron. Outgoing mail may be dropped in the outside mailbox located east of the court house. It will be picked up daily, Monday - Friday, at 12:00 noon.



TWENTY-TWO AMERICORPS members, based in Denver, Col., helped First Baptist Church of Cameron clean debris from their gym and education building recently. The members are from all over the country. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

Funerals



ANNA BELLE GUIDRY SMITH

Anna Belle Guidry Smith, 72, of Cameron died Saturday, March 18, 2006 at her temporary residence in Lake Arthur. She was born in Jennings, the 13th child of 15 children born to the late Laurent Guidry and Clementine Courville Guidry. Mrs. Smith was the wife of the late Elridge Wilson Smith and had been a resident of Cameron all of her adult life until Sept. 23, 2005 when Hurricane Rita blew and washed her home away. She temporarily resided in Falls Mills, Va. with her daughter, Denise and recently in Lake Arthur with her son, Patrick and wife Phyllis. She retired from the Cameron Parish Police Jury offices, and after retirement was employed as a cook for Tri-Con. She also did some landscaping.

She was a member of Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic church in Creole, and was a member of the Legion of Mary where she ministered to homebound parishioners.

She is survived by one

brother, Irvin Guidry of Jennings and two sisters, Marguerite Guidry Evans of Liberty, Tex. and Lillie Guidry (Sister Mary Zita) of Opelousas; and eight children, Philip Elridge Smith and his wife Shannon of Lake Charles, Mark Smith and wife, Peggy of Carencro, Marguerite Denise Smith Campbell and husband, Morgan of Falls Mills, Va., Kevin Smith of Ragley, Patrick Smith and wife, Phyllis of Lake Arthur, Gerald Smith and wife Lori of Grand Lake, Lisa Annette Smith of Princeton, W. V. and Jude Craig Smith and his wife Shelley of Houma; 18 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 21, at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Sweetlake with the Revs. E. Joseph McGrath officiating. Burial followed in Sacred Heart Cemetery in Creole.

INA NUNEZ ARMENTOR

Ina Nunez Armentor, 81, of Little Chenier, died Monday, March 20, 2006, in a Lake Charles care center.

Mrs. Armentor was a life resident of Cameron Parish.

She is survived by two sons, John Travis "Manny" Armentor and wife Jeanne and Albert James Armentor, all of Little Chenier; three daughters, Patricia "Peggy" Simon and husband Leroy, Kathy Wright and husband Curtis all of Hackberry, and Cheryl Barry of Lake Arthur; three brothers, Curtis Nunez of Chenier Perdue, Perry Nunez of Little Chenier and



AMERICORPS "getting things done" by helping gut Marianne Primeaux's house in Cameron.

(Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

BAPTISTS

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This Friday, the Cameron church expects to welcome a team from North County Christ the King church in Bellingham, Wash., who are bringing a 24' x 50' quonset hut style tent to erect on the church grounds. The tent will be used for services and other needs until the building is repaired. Again, a pastor visiting Cameron had sought out the church and offered to help.

There have been no regular worship services in Cameron since the storm, since all the church buildings were destroyed or rendered unusable. The Baptist church plans to open its tent services to all who desire to worship, regardless of denomination. The first service is planned for April 2, time to be announced. For more information, call Paul or Cyndi Sellers at 337-764-3352.

Information, please

For those who are not aware, a statewide information system is up and running. For information on anything in the area, simply dial 211 and let the operator know what you need. This is a quick, simple number to remember. For those of you who are on line, go to 310info.org. This service is operated by the Volunteer Center of Southwest Louisiana.

Preston Nunez of Iowa; four sisters, Irma Granger of Sweetlake, Shirley Mhire of Grand Chenier, Barbara Nunez and Martha Faye Vincent both of Little Chenier; 17 grand-children; 24 great-grandchildren; seven step-grandchildren; six step-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by three sons, Kenneth Wayne Armentor, Samuel Joseph Armentor and daughter, Mary Jane Girior.

Her funeral was Wednesday, March 22 at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Sweetlake. The Rev. Joseph McGrath officiated. Burial was in Our Lady of the Marsh Cemetery.

Where Are They Now?

We have news this week from Tonia Watkins, formerly of Cameron, who now lives in Houston, Tex. Tonia writes, "Rita messed up a lot of lives, but as always, the love and strength of the Cameron people is beautiful."

Tonia goes on to say that she is doing well and is very involved with the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary. She has been Chaplain of the 8th District for eight years and of her Unit for five years. Last year, her work earned her the Volunteer of the Year Award for the state of Texas. (Congratulations, Tonia!)

She continues, "I have not seen Cameron since the storm except for pictures in the Pilot. A few people tell me I truly would not want to see it." (On the other hand, Tonia, it might really give you a sense of pride in Cameron to see some old friends working to rebuild the place. It absolutely made my day to see James Doxey on that tractor in our old neighborhood, and Giz Guilbeau, across the street, working on his property.)

In closing, Tonia sent some precious little crosses made of satin ribbon for Madeleine and me. She sends love and prayers to all of her friends in Cameron. Her address is: 1624 Sandydale Lane; Houston, Texas 77039

As you can see, news is getting scarce for the Column. I suppose we pretty well know where everyone is. The next thing that would be of interest to Cameron folks would be the progress reports of those who are coming back to rebuild -- from the Texas line to Pecan Island.

It goes without question, if you are rebuilding, you have no time to write, call or e-mail. But if you can squeeze in a minute, please let us know of your progress as well as the trials and tribulations of rebuilding in a place where there are few supplies on hand. I feel that I speak, not only for myself but for many in saying that we care about what you are going through. If only it were possible to send our strength to you over the miles! God bless.

You may send your news to: 302 Trailwood Lane; Lafayette, La. 70508. Phone: 337-988-5395. E-mail to: mnadc67@aol.com

Art exhibit by Gifted & Talented

Cameron Parish Gifted and Talented students will participate in a special art exhibit at The Lake Charles Children's Museum. An opening reception will be held Sunday, April 2, from 2 - 4 p.m.

The students will exhibit a collection of artwork related to Cameron Parish and Hurricane Rita. Admission to the reception is free.



Alliance will meet June 1

The Grand Lake - Sweet Lake Action Alliance will meet on June 1 at 6 p.m. at the Grand Lake Fireman Center. The group is comprised of 15 concerned citizens who work towards the growth and improvement of the Grand Lake - Sweet Lake communities.

Jerry Goos serves as chairman, Shirley Chesson is vice chairman, and Dinah Landry is secretary.

The group has been instrumental in the past of securing a post office for the area, has worked on getting an independent zip code, compiled and distributed a parish resource directory and assisted with many other community projects. For more information call Dinah at 905-6000.

Hackberry News

By GRACE WELCH

DISTRIBUTION CENTER

A Pod has been set up at St. Peter's Church in Hackberry to distribute items to storm victims. Contact the church office from 9 a.m. till 3 p.m., Monday through Friday for information.

LITERARY RALLY

Students from Hackberry taking part in the Literary Rally at McNeese, March 11 were:

Vo Ag IV - Steven Welch; Vo Ag III - Nicholas Wolfe; Business Computer - Kayla Sanner; English I - Jacob Poole; Food Nutrition - Allyson Sanner; World Geometry - Dakota Rose.

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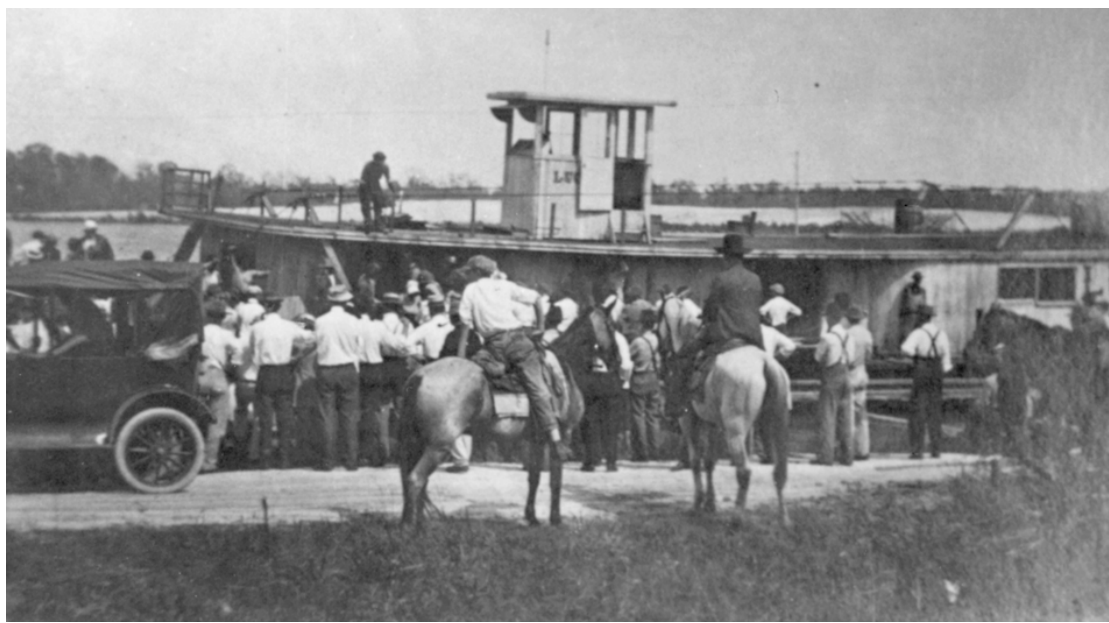
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DO YOU REMEMBER? Johnson Bayou residents are shown meeting the steamer Lucy which hauled cotton, produce and cattle from Johnson Bayou to Orange, Texas on the Sabine River between 1905 and 1915. Note the old car in the picture.

Kershaw to be headliner at Delta Music Festival

Cameron Parish native Doug Kershaw will headline the Delta Music Museum's annual festival in April 1 in Ferriday.

Mention Cajun music and the first thought that comes to mind is Doug Kershaw. The multi-talented Kershaw's name is synonymous with a

genre of music that was on the decline before he helped revive it in the public eye back in the late 1960s. Although he is proud that he has helped bring Cajun music and Cajun culture to the forefront through his tireless musical efforts, his abilities to play other types of music have also helped to cement his legendary status in the music business.

His live performances feature an energetic, swirling mix of rock, blues, jazz, country and, of course, Cajun music. Once Doug gets warmed up, he takes his audience on a hyper kinetic joyride through a multitude of musical styles, some decades old, others more contemporary. He's one of the planet's world-renowned fiddle players, one of the best that have ever played the instrument.

However, his talent is not

just limited to his incredible fiddle playing. Over the years, Kershaw, known affectionately as the "Ragin' Cajun," has taught himself to play an amazing 28 instruments. He's also a top-notch songwriter and vocalist as well. And when the mood strikes him, he'll dance up a storm onstage while playing and singing. Many of his peers, including the great country/Cajun legend Jimmy C. Newman, consider Doug to be the best musician, singer, songwriter and performer to ever come out of Southwest Louisiana. His catalog of over 30 albums is a testament to his longevity as both a recording artist and a performer.

Born on a houseboat tied to a cypress tree in Tiel Ridge in Cameron Parish, Kershaw has led an interesting and far-flung life. The son of an alligator hunter, Kershaw was the seventh born to a family that eventually included four boys and five girls. Raised in a home where Cajun French was spoken, he didn't learn English until the age of eight. By that time, he had mastered the fiddle, which he played from the age of five. His first gig was at a local bar the Bucket of Blood, where his mother accompanied him on guitar.

Joining his brother's band, he eventually had several Top 40 country hits before being invited to join the Grand Ole Opry in 1957. In 1961, he recorded his career-defining song, "Louisiana Man," an autobiographical recording that immortalized his family, sold millions of songs and has been covered by more than 800 artists. The song became the first song to be broadcast back from space in 1969 by the Apollo 12 astronauts.

In 1969, Kershaw appeared on the premier broadcast of The Johnny Cash Show, a performance that won him millions of new fans, including executives at Warner Brother Records with whom he signed a longterm contract. Kershaw capped the year with a much publicized, weeklong, engagement at the Fillmore East in New York as an opening act for Eric Clapton's Derek & The Dominos. While it seemed to many rock and pop fans that Kershaw had appeared out of nowhere, he had already sold more than 18 million copies of the records he had done in the early 1960s.

Signature Kershaw songs like "Diggy Diggy Lo," "Cajun Joe," and "Rita, Put Your Black Shoes On," are familiar songs to Doug Kershaw fans worldwide. In the 1980s, Kershaw struck Top 40 gold with two more classics, "Hello Woman" and "Cajun Baby."

School lunch menus told

Lunch menus for all Cameron Parish schools for the week beginning Mar. 23 are as follows:

Thursday, Mar. 23 - Baked chicken, rice, blackeyed peas, fresh fruit cup, brown gravy, wheat biscuits, milk.

Friday, Mar. 24 - Tuna salad, tossed salad, buttered corn, yellow cake, chocolate glaze, salad dressing, sliced bread, milk.

Monday, Mar. 27 - Breaded chicken patty, lettuce cup, lima beans, fruit cocktail, carrot cake, hamburger bun, milk.

Tuesday, Mar. 28 - Chicken fajitas, fixings cup baked potato, banana bread square, flour tortillas, milk.

Wednesday, Mar. 29 - Pizza w/ground beef, tossed salad, buttered corn, chilled peach slices, milk.



CREOLE NATURE Trail All-American Road executive committee members recently met with legislators in Washington, D. C., and with various agencies to discuss the recovery of the Trail from Hurricane Rita and other matters. Pictured above, from left, are group members: Jill Kidder, Capt. Sammie Faulk presenting a Rita calendar to Rob Draper, director of the National Scenic Byways Program; Anne Klenke, Shelley Johnson, and Montie Hurley.

S. Cameron FBLA goes to meeting

By ALEX BROUSSARD

South Cameron FBLA will compete at the State FBLA Conference March 26-27 in Baton Rouge. The following students will be competing:

Deil LaLande, Baret Bercier, and Aaron Doney--Current Events;

Chandler LeBouef, Cami Vincent and Baret Hebert--Business Ethics;

Maegan Trahan--Accounting II and Economics; Shylyn Nunez--Business communications;

Michael Savoie--Banking; Katelyn Reina--Business Calculations;

Baret Bercier--Technology Concepts; Jacob LaBove--Computer Concepts;

Tony Baccigalopi--Word Processing I and Intro to Business;

Kobi Richard--Word Processing;

Bethany Vincent, Cami Vincent, Baret Hebert and Chandler LeBouef have earned the most points from District and community projects.

Russians to visit Parish

The Rotary Club of Lake Charles is hosting a delegation of 11 Russian Restaurateurs in Lake Charles from March 30 - April 15. This is the second Russian Restaurants Delegation to be hosted in the Lake Charles area.

The delegation is part of the Productivity Enhancement Program administered by the non-profit, non-governmental Center for Citizen Initiatives (CCI). PEP is a nationwide program that brings Russian entrepre-

neurs and business owners to the United States for intensive industry-specific business training and cultural exchange.

While in the area, the Russian delegates will participate in a business management training program led by local restaurants and/or professionals.

On Monday, April 3 the Russian group will be given a tour of Cameron Parish by Captain Sammie Faulk and will have a picnic lunch at the Cameron Court House.



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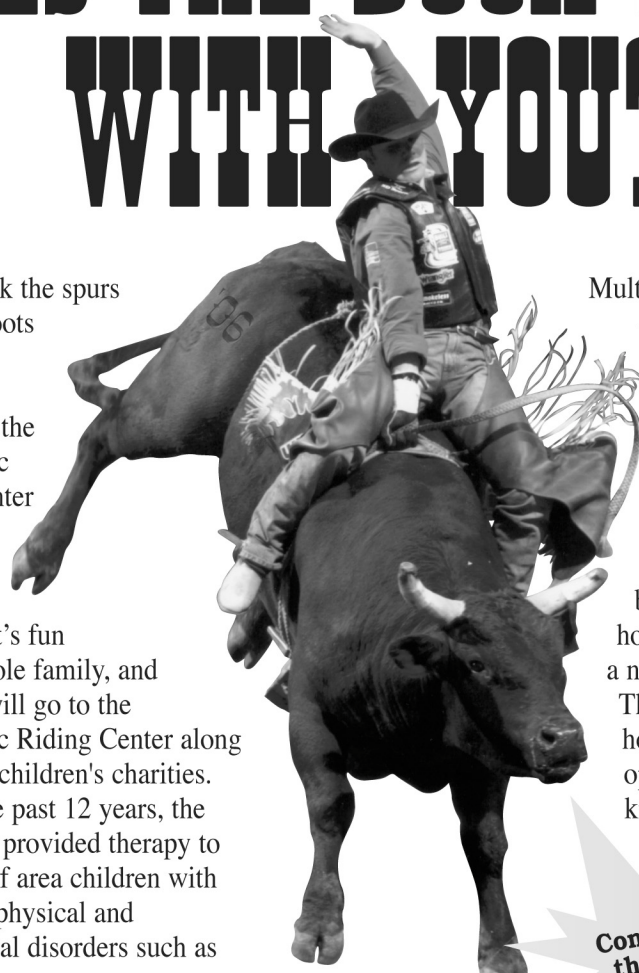
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DO YOU REMEMBER? This picture of the congregation of the Sweetlake Methodist Church was taken in 1948 when the Rev. C. J. Thibodeaux was the pastor. This was the old church prior to remodeling.

Senators Biden, Landrieu to make aerial inspection

By JEREMY HARPER
AMERICAN PRESS

U. S. Sen. Joe Biden will join Sen. Mary Landrieu on an aerial tour of Cameron Parish hurricane damage Thursday before they make appearances at the Ports Association of Louisiana's annual conference in Lake Charles.

Biden of Delaware and Landrieu of New Orleans, both Democrats, will take a helicopter tour of the devastated parish before heading to the ports conference at the L'Auberge du Lac casino-resort.

The tour comes a week after Landrieu introduced legislation to provide tax

breaks to families and small businesses recovering from Hurricane Rita.

"Louisiana was hit with the one-two punch of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita last year," Landrieu said in a statement. "Congress has already extended these provisions to Louisianians hit by Katrina, and it's time we do the same for those hit by Rita."

Biden is the ranking Democrat on both the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and the Judiciary Subcommittee on Crime and Victims' Rights.

He is the first senator to accept Landrieu's invitation to visit Southwest Louisiana, said Landrieu spokesman Adam Sharp.



PORT... Cont. from Pg. 1

AUTHORS

The proposed legislation, House Bill 292, was authored by Representatives Ronnie Johns, Elcie Guillory, and Chuck Kleckley and Senator Willie Mount.

When contacted, Rep. Guillory said he had been unaware of all the provisions of the bill when he was approached by the Lake Charles Port officials last summer. He said he plans to remove his name from the bill if it comes before the legislature. "I don't want to do anything to hurt the people of Cameron," he said in a phone interview. "I told (port officials) they should go through the court process and not try to use the legislature to circumvent it."

The other authors could not be reached for comment.

The Bill

Specific provisions of HB 292 are:

Establishing the purpose of the Lake Charles port district as "economic and industrial development through



ABOVE IS THE remains of DeBarge's Convenience Store in Hackberry following Hurricane Rita. John DeBarge, who had the store over 23 years, said he does not plan to rebuild.

Pizza to be sold Mondays

The South Cameron High Rodeo Boosters Club will be selling Mr. Gatti's pizzas in Cameron. The Mr. Gatti's mobile pizza truck will be located on the Cameron Elementary parking lot from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Monday until further notice.

Bull Riding event set

By MARY ANN DUTTON
SOUTHWEST
DAILY NEWS

The 2nd Annual Brent Vincent Buckin on the Bayou Bull Riding Event will be held Sunday, March 26 at 3 p.m. at the West Cal Arena in Sulphur.

With three time professional bull riding world finals qualifier Brent Vincent along with professional bull riders from across the country featured, organizers promise spectators will not be disappointed.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the therapeutic Riding Center of West Calcasieu Cameron Hospital which is the first hospital-owned and operated center of its kind in America.

For the past 12 years, the Therapeutic Riding Center of

WCCH has provided therapy to hundreds of area children with cognitive, physical and psychosocial disorders such as Multiple Sclerosis, Downs Syndrome, Autism, ADHD, and those with developmental delays.

Using hippotherapy, a medical treatment provided by specially trained horses and therapists in a natural environment, patients build muscle groups and self esteem in a more relaxed atmosphere.

Cameron Communications is sponsoring the rodeo, which will have 40 top ranked bull riders from around the country competing in a long round.

Tickets are available at the West Cal Arena, Curries Feed Store, Vinton Feed Store, Sel-Mart of Sulphur, WCCH business office and the Therapeutic Riding Center.

Hi,

My name is Carrie Broussard. I'm from Lowry. I'm running for Justice of the Peace in Ward 1, Precinct 8 & 9, which includes the Lowry, Klondike, and the east part of Grand Chenier.

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the development, maintenance, and enhancement of maritime transportation for the benefit of business, industry, government, and the people of southwest Louisiana."

Granting the Port the right to exercise its powers "within or without the territorial limits of the district, as the board of commissioners deems necessary." No limits are placed on the area of authority.

Granting the Port authority over "all operational aspects of the entire Calcasieu River Ship Channel."

Granting authority outside its territorial limits "without regard to the existence or authority of any other political subdivision or other contrary provision of law."

Ratifying any action taken by the Lake Charles Port Board outside its territorial limits before July 1, 2006, "recognizing that absent an express limitation the district has had this authority since its creation." In other words, since it was not expressly forbidden to do business outside its boundaries, it must have been permissible.

Allow the district to create a port and harbor police force which would have the authority to make arrests on port property, all premises under its jurisdiction, and approaches to them.

Allows the Port to acquire lands "and improvements thereon... regardless of where such land or improvements are located." These may be acquired "by purchase, donation, expropriation, lease, or otherwise." This would appear to allow the expropriation of improved commercial and industrial sites anywhere in Cameron Parish.

A related bill being introduced by Mount and Kleckley, Senate Bill 103, extends the power of "quick take" expropriation to port commissions and port authorities. Called "acquisition prior to judgement," the quick take provision allows a port or other government agency to take possession of property immediately on granting of its petition, and settle the price with the landowner through trial court later.

In a unanimous vote, the Police Jury adopted a resolution opposing both bills, and planned to send it to all state legislators and anyone else who could help defeat the bills.

The Jury also called on all businesses, landowners, commercial fishermen, and anyone else who might be affected to add their support to the fight.

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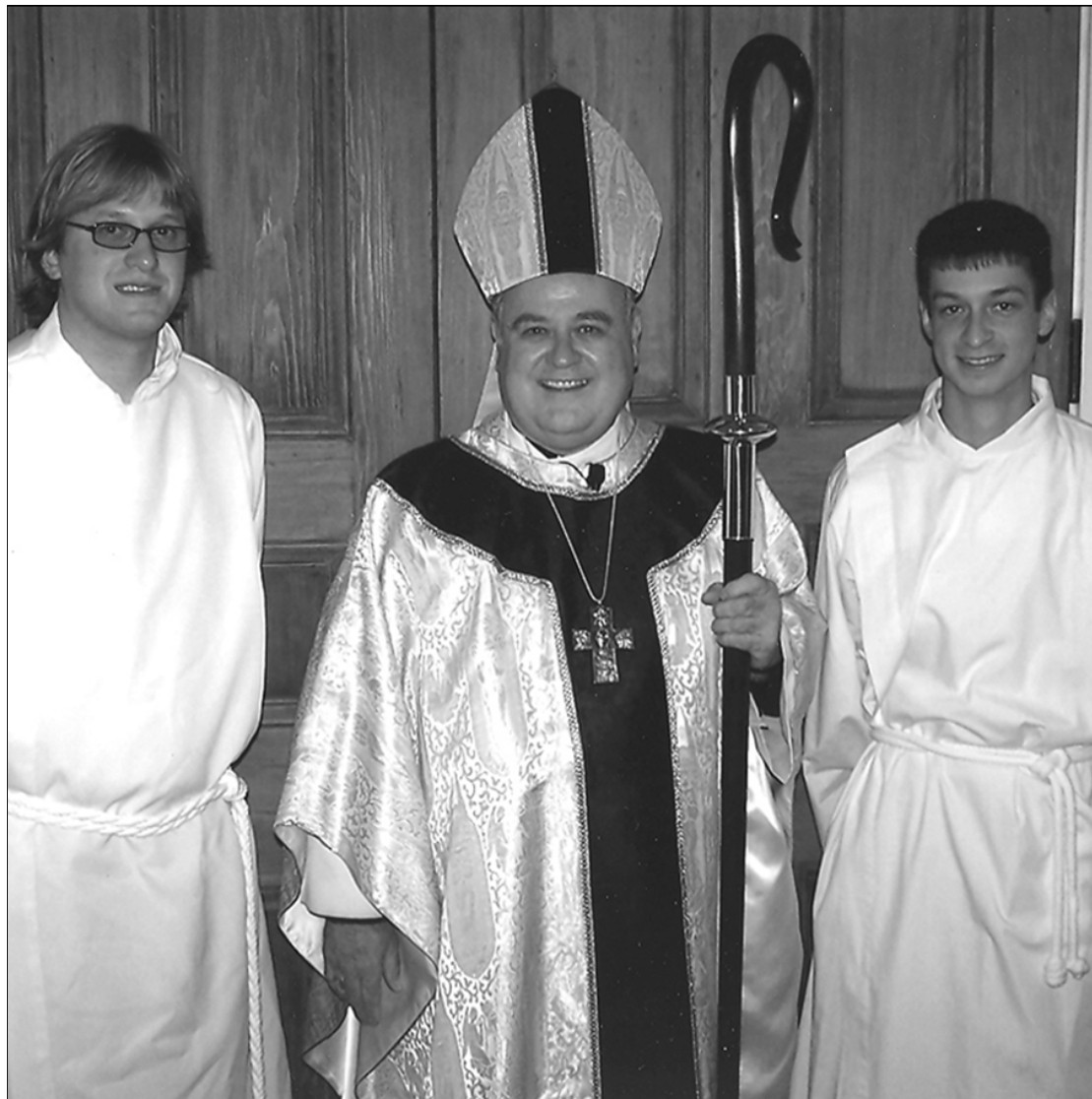
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The Most Reverend Robert Muench, Bishop of Baton Rouge, is flanked by Diocese of Lake Charles seminarians Ruben Buller, left, and Nathan Long, right, after the Bishop instituted the two men into the Ministry of Acolyte.

Buller, Long instituted as Acolytes

ST. BENEDICT, La. - Two seminarians studying for the priesthood for the Diocese of Lake Charles were recently instituted in the Ministry of Acolyte during ceremonies at St. Joseph Abbey Church.

Ruben Joshua Buller and Nathan Paul Long were among 35 men instituted into the Ministries of Reader and Acolyte by The Most

Reverend Robert Muench, Bishop of Baton Rouge. Both men are theology students at Notre Dame Seminary.

To those who were being instituted into the Ministry of Acolyte, Bishop Muench encouraged them to "recognize that when they distributed the Sacred Body and Blood of Christ, they are more than functionaries for

they are called to be whom they give - the living presence of the person of Jesus."

In a 1972 apostolic letter, Pope Paul VI reformed what were known as minor orders, streamlining them into two ministries: Reader and Acolyte. It is required that seminarians be instituted into these ministries before ordination to the diaconate.

Students, staff from school helping with recovery

LAKE CHARLES - A Boston television reporter called Anna Maria College of Paxton, Mass. "the small school with a big heart." And the people of Southwest Louisiana, particularly folks in lower Cameron Parish, have found out that the description is quite apt.

For the second time since the September 24 landfall of Hurricane Rita, a group of 18, including undergraduate and graduate students as well as faculty and staff, along with some of the latter's family members trekked down from Massachusetts to aid in the recovery of our area. The age range tracks from the four-year-old daughter of one of the staff to a 47-year-old graduate student.

The group came down from Massachusetts over the weekend of March 3-4 and worked at Our Lady Queen of Heaven Church on Monday and spent the remainder of the week working in Cameron Parish.

Harry Duchesne, the Director of Campus Ministry at Anna Maria, has been leading such service groups into areas in need for the past 22 years.

"It is part of our baptismal call," Duchesne said, "the living out of the Gospel."

"The campus was moved when we saw the damages of Katrina and Rita wrought on the earth," Duchesne continued. "It was right at the beginning of the school term. We have had students come with us this year who don't normally go on these trips. We normally have about 15 go but this year on all our trips we have between 70 and 75." Duchesne noted that groups have not only been here in Southwest Louisiana but also went to Austin, Texas and Miami, Fla.

"Part of it, the trips, is Christ's call to us to take care of our brothers and sisters," Duchesne said. "We saw the pictures (on television and in the newspaper) and felt

removed from it. We have never seen anything like this, but to see it first hand, to pickup debris with our own hands, it is a profound learning experience."

The connection to Southwest Louisiana, according to Duchesne, is a priest from the Diocese of Worcester in Massachusetts, Father Paul M. LaPalme, who knows Father Daniel Torres, the pastor of St. Joseph Church in DeRidder.

Another of the adults on the trip was Roger Bailey, a self-professed "geek," who even set up a web site to chronicle the group's trip down and back as well as the work they did while here. The site can be found at www.annamaria.edu/~cameron_la.

According to Duchesne, a parish in Worcester is having fund raisers and will be twinning with one of the devastated parishes in Cameron. "We want it to be an ongoing relationship," Duchesne said.



Some of the students, staff, faculty and children of faculty and staff from Anna Maria College in Paxton, Mass., who visited Lake Charles in early March take a break from their labors in helping cleanup around Our Lady Queen of Heaven Church.

Roofing supplies, other needs provided through RECSS

LAKE CHARLES - Deliveries continue weekly to disaster relief distribution sites at St. Peter the Apostle Church in Hackberry and St. Patrick Chapel in Sweetlake. Food supplies as well as roofing materials, including plywood sheathing, roof felt and shingles are available for those who are in need due to damages from Hurricane Rita, through the Relief Effort of Catholic Social Services (RECSS) of the Diocese of Lake Charles.

The roofing materials are made possible through the largesse of Aramco, the Arab

American Oil Company and the International Orthodox Christian Charities, according to Deacon Ed Lavine, Secretary for Pastoral Care of the Diocese of Lake Charles and director of Catholic Service Center. The IOCC was instrumental following Hurricane Katrina in delivering supplies to the area and continued as soon as possible after Hurricane Rita's passage.

"We are very appreciative of the materials provided to help those in need in our area," Deacon Lavine said. "Besides the roofing materi-

als, Aramco has also given us generators, backpack sprayers, and chain saws, including extra blades, gasoline cans and oil for their operation.

"We are also very appreciative of the support given to us by the Social Apostolate of the Archdiocese of New Orleans," Lavine continued. "Second Harvest continues to provide us with hurricane relief food deliveries, now every other week, for those in need here in Southwest Louisiana."



Plywood, provided through the assistance of the International Orthodox Christian Charities and a grant from the Arab American Oil Company (Aramco), to be used as roof decking is removed from an 18-wheeler at St. Patrick Chapel in Sweetlake.



(Rev. E. Joseph McGrath, pastor of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Creole, stands with parishioner Marilyn Landry outside her home in Creole. The Relief Effort of Catholic Social Services is providing roofing materials as well as food and water and cleaning supplies to aid those rebuilding their properties in Cameron Parish.



Food supplies are unloaded Thursday, March 16, at St. Patrick Chapel in Sweetlake. The supplies are available for those in need following the devastation of Hurricane Rita and the current rebuilding efforts throughout Southwest Louisiana.

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UNDER ACT 962 of the Louisiana Legislature, I am required to advise you that my name is I, Claude Joseph Guidry, have been convicted of Carnal Knowledge of a Juvenile. My address is 114 Roy B Road, Gueydan, LA, 70542.

Race: White. Sex: Male. DOB: 09/23/63. Height: 5'5". Weight: 130 lbs. Hair Color: Brown. Eye Color: Blue. M-54 (Runs: 3/23 & 3/30)

Propeller Club Scholarships

The Propeller Club of Lake Charles has announced a scholarship for graduating high school seniors who are children of parents in the maritime community.

Awards of \$500 to \$2500 can be made. Recipients do not have to be members of the Propeller Club. For application information contact Sheron Faulk, Ship to Shore Co., 4313 Lake St., Lake Charles, 70605, phone 337-474-0730.

Run: March 16, 23 (M 42)

Legal Notice

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Cameron Parish School Board will receive sealed bids until 2:00 P.M. CDST, April 20, 2006, at its offices at the Cameron Parish School Board building, 409 E. Prien Lake Road, Lake Charles, LA 70601. For "REPAIRS TO JOHNSON BAYOU HIGH SCHOOL". Complete plans and specifications may be obtained from C. Gayle Zembower, Architect, Inc., 704 East School Street, Lake Charles, LA 70607.

No bid shall be considered or accepted unless the bid is accompanied by bid security in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the Base Bid and all additive alternates. The bid security shall be in the form of certified check or cashier's check drawn on a bank insured by the FDIC, or Cameron Parish School Board Bid Bond Form contained in the Front End Documents written by a surety company licensed to do business in Louisiana with an A.M. Best rating of "A" or better, counter-signed by a person who is under contract with the surety company or bond insurer as a licensed agent in this state and who is residing in this state.

Bids shall be accepted from Contractors who are licensed under LA. R.S. 37:2150-2163, Act 635, effective January 1, 1989, for the classification Building Construction. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days after receipt of bids, except under the provisions of LA. R.S. 38:2214. Evidence of authority to submit the bid shall be required in accordance with R.S. 38:2212 (A)(1)(c) and or R.S. 39:1594 (C)(2)(d).

Each bid must be placed in an envelope, sealed and marked on the outside, "REPAIRS TO JOHNSON BAYOU HIGH SCHOOL", Bid no. 3-2006-3, to be opened at 2:00 P.M., CDST, April 20, 2006 at the office of Cameron Parish Schools, 409 East Prien Lake Road, Lake Charles, LA 70601.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, in accordance with LA. R.S.

38:2212(A)(1)(b), the provisions and requirements of this section, those stated in the advertisement for bids, and those required on the bid form shall not be considered as informalities and shall not be waived by any public entity.

A deposit may be required on the bid documents; however the deposit shall not exceed twice the actual cost of reproduction. Deposits on the first set of documents furnished a bona fide prime bidder will be fully refunded upon return of the documents no later than ten days after receipt of bids. On other sets of documents furnished to bidders the deposit less actual cost of reproduction, will be refunded upon return of the documents no later than ten (10) days after receipt of bids. R.S. 38:2212 (A)(1)(e).

There will be a mandatory pre-bid conference at the Johnson Bayou High School site on April 6, 2006 at 9:30 A.M. CSDT, for all General Contractors.

Dr. Doug Chance, Superintendent
Cameron Parish Schools
SCOPE OF WORK
REPAIRS TO JOHNSON BAYOU HIGH SCHOOL

This project involves the complete renovation of the existing facility due to the damage suffered from Hurricane Rita. The most extensive work will be the removal of the existing roof system, including the deck, on the gymnasium. New 22 gauge steel deck will be installed on the existing bar joists and new insulation, cover board and a membrane roof will be installed. The interior will be painted and an acoustical spray will be applied to the bottom side of the deck. The stage will get a new framing system and a new oak floor. The gym floor and bleachers will be installed by the owner. The existing metal siding on the gymnasium will be removed and a new metal skin will be installed.

The existing front wall was damaged over 50 percent and will be completely removed and rebuilt. Several interior walls were also removed and will be rebuilt. All interior existing gypsum board walls will require new gypsum board to be installed over the existing stripped bare metal and wood studs. All walls will be finished and painted as per finish schedule. All the interior and exterior doors will be changed out to new doors and several of the frames will be replaced. The store front system in the front of the

school will also be changed out. All the hardware will be replaced as well. The entire facility will receive new floors, lockers, marker boards, casework and ceiling tile. Some of the ceiling grid will be replaced and some will be repaired. All interior concrete block walls will be repainted. The science lab will have all new science casework. The library will also have all new library casework. The kitchen will have the owners equipment installed under the existing hood as well as the existing stored sink units that will be reinstalled. There will be a new walk-in-cooler and walk-in-freezer in this project. There is also new dining tables in this project.

The existing damaged fences will be replaced with new chain link fencing and new gates. The existing temporary metal building that has been rotated off of its foundation will be re-sited. The large hole will be filled and compacted. The existing sidewalk and canopy will be repaired. There is a badly damaged storage building near the track that will be demolished and the hole filled and compacted.

The existing electrical systems, fire alarm system and intercom system will be replaced. New lighting will be installed in all areas. The board compact wall unit air-conditioning systems will be installed in the new front wall. The gym will receive new air-conditioning systems. The plumbing fixtures will be changed out as called for on the drawings.

There is an alternate for the existing outdoor pavilion "G" to be enclosed. This will include some foundation work, concrete block walls, new wall pack air-conditioning and new lighting. The existing roof system will receive 8" thick fiberglass roll insulation with vinyl liner. The insulation will be fitted between the existing purlins and secured with heavy duty galvanized wire mesh and cables.
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RUN: March 9, 16 & 23 (M-28)

• PUBLIC NOTICE •

The Cameron Parish Police Jury will hold a public hearing at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 27, 2006 at the Hackberry Community Center, 986 Main Street, Hackberry, Louisiana. The purpose of the meeting is to obtain views on the community development needs and to discuss the submission of an application for funding under the State of Louisiana's Fiscal Year 2005 Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG) Disaster Recovery Program and for Community Development Block Grant supplemental funding. The following items will be discussed at the hearing:

The amount of funds available for proposed community development, disaster recovery and housing activities;

The range of activities available that may be undertaken, including the estimated amount of funds proposed to be used for activities that will benefit persons of low and moderate incomes, the elimination of slums and blight or meeting other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community;

The plans for minimizing displaced persons as a result of activities assisted with such funds and the benefits to be provided to persons actually displaced as a result of such activities;

The past performance on LCDBG projects funded by the State of Louisiana. All residents, particularly low and moderate income persons and residents of slum and blighted areas are encouraged to attend this meeting. Accommodations will be made for persons with disabilities and non-English speaking individuals provided that three day notice is received. Those citizens unable to attend this hearing may submit their views and proposals until fifteen days after the hearing in writing to Mr. Douaine Conner, Cameron Parish Police Jury, P.O. Box 1280, Cameron, Louisiana 70631.

Run: March 16, 23 (M 42)

Broussard has dual jobs

By DORIS MARICLE
AMERICAN PRESS

Jeff Davis Parish's economic development director will also work on Cameron Parish recovery projects as part of his job.

The Jeff Davis Parish Landfill Commission, which oversees the economic development office, has turned Ernie Broussard's employment contract into a professional service contract.

He will split his services between Jeff Davis and Cameron parishes.

He said the arrangement will "allow me to work a recovery assignment for Cameron Parish and still do my job in Jeff Davis Parish," Broussard said.

Broussard, who has been working with some recovery efforts in Cameron Parish since Hurricane Rita, said he looks forward to the challenge of working for both parishes.

Broussard, a former city planner for Lake Charles, has been with the economic development office since June 2002.



Miller Livestock Markets, Inc.
Market Report

DeQuincy (Saturday) March 18: Live-Stock Receipts: Cattle 375, Horses 7 Hogs 79, Sheep 9, and Goats 189. BABY CALVES: Dairy 100-150 per HD, Beef 175-250 per HD, Roping Calves (125-200 lbs.) 1.85-2.15 per lb. STEER & HEIFER CALVES: 200-300 lb. Steers: 1.45-1.90 per lb., Heifers: 1.35-1.80 per lb.; 300-400 lb. Steers: 1.40-1.85 per lb., Heifers: 1.30-1.65 per lb.; 400-500 lb. Steers: 1.25-1.55 per lb., Heifers: 1.20-1.45 per lb.; 500-600 lb. Steers: 1.15-1.30 per lb., Heifers: 1.00-1.20 per lb.; 600-700 lb. Steers: .95-1.10 per lb., Heifer: .85-.95 per lb. CATTLE: Cutter & Utility: 52-57 per lb.; Canners: 49-52 per lb.; Fat Cows: 48-52 per lb.; Thin Cows: 38-46 per lb.; Slaughter Bulls: 59-65 per lb.; Feeder Bulls: 65-72 per lb. COW/CALF PAIRS: 850-1050 per pair. PREGNANCY TESTED COWS: 700-950 per HD. HOGS: Choice Barrows & Gilts: 50-55; Medium Barrow & Gilts: 48-52; Butcher Pigs: 50-55; Feeder Pigs: 75-100; Sows 300-500 lbs. 32-38 per lb.; Boars: 10-20 per lb. HORSES: 25-35 per lb. SHEEP & GOATS: 30-275 per HD.

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• PUBLIC NOTICE •

The Cameron Parish School Board will hold a special meeting, Monday, March 27, 2006 at 3:00 p.m. at the LSU Ag Center, 7101 Gulf Highway, Lake Charles to Consider: Personnel, Legislation, Insurance related items, Finance, Building and site restoration.

RUN: March 23 (M-33)

• NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC •

The Cameron Parish Police Jury has temporarily located its Administrative Department to 10080 Gulf Highway, Grand Lake.

Phone: (337) 905-1189 or (337) 905-1190;
Fax: (337) 905-1191 or (337) 905-1193.

RUN: March 23 (M-55)

Cameron Parish School Board Spring 2006 Test Schedule

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SOUTH CAMERON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday, March 27 and Tuesday, March 28.

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Monday, March 27 Tuesday, March 28 and
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HACKBERRY HIGH SCHOOL AND
JOHNSON BAYOU SCHOOL
Thursday, March 23 and Monday, March 27.
GRAND LAKE SCHOOL

Thursday, March 23 and Friday, March 24.
Thursday, March 30 and Friday, March 31.

Breakfasts will be served to ALL STUDENTS (preK through 12) at no charge, Monday through Friday, during both weeks of testing.

Parents, please help by encouraging your children to get to bed early on the nights before testing and to participate in the free breakfast program.

**NOTICE OF PUBLICATION
OFFICE OF
MINERAL RESOURCES
ON BEHALF OF THE
STATE MINERAL BOARD
FOR THE STATE OF
LOUISIANA
BATON ROUGE,
LOUISIANA 70821**

By virtue of and in conformity with the provisions of Sub-part A of Chapter 2, Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other applicable laws, sealed bids will be received in the Office of Mineral Resources, LaSalle Office Building, Baton Rouge, Louisiana (P. O. Box 2827, Baton Rouge, LA 70821) on or before 12:00 noon on Tuesday, April 11, 2006 for a lease to explore, drill for and produce oil, gas and any other liquid or gaseous minerals in solution and produced with oil or gas on the following described tracts (Tract Nos. 38194 through 38261) inclusive to be opened publicly Wednesday, April 12, 2006 in the LaSalle Office Building, 617 N. 3rd Street, Capitol Complex, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

All bids shall offer a "Cash Payment" bonus, as set forth on the authorized bid form, for a lease having a primary term in conformity with the bid and any bonus in inland or offshore lease and the said bonus shall maintain the lease in full force and effect for the first year. If the bid offers an ANNUAL DELAY RENTAL, which is mandatory for leases with terms of more than one (1) year, it shall not be for less than one-half (1/2) of the cash payment bonus and any bonus containing an annual delay rental of less than one-half (1/2) of the Cash Payment bonus will be increased to the one-half (1/2) amount. Any lease granted shall be without warranty or any recourse whatsoever, either express or implied, assigned Lessor with regard to questions of title, not even for the return of any payments received under the lease or being otherwise responsible therefore to Lessee. Under LSA- R. S. 30:127, the Minimum Royalty bid cannot be less than one-eighth (1/8) of all oil, gas or other liquid or gaseous minerals in solution and produced with oil, gas and any other liquid or gaseous minerals resources, free sulphur, potash, lignite, salt and other solid minerals are to be excluded from any oil or gas mineral lease and any bid purporting to include those rights will be disregarded as to the extent of those rights only. All bidders are obligated that the Mineral Board does not obligate itself to accept any bid, and that acceptance is at the sole discretion of the Mineral Board which reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to grant a lease on any portion of the tract advertised and to withdraw the remainder of the tract.

Act of the 2000 Second Extraordinary Legislative Session established two additional fees to be collected from mineral lessees on all mineral leases awarded. An additional fee of \$15 per acre will be collected and deposited into the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Conservation Fund. An additional fee of \$5 per acre will be collected and deposited into the Oil and Gas Regulatory Fund. A separate check in the amount of \$20 per acre made payable to the Office of Mineral Resources shall be submitted, either accompanying the original bid (inside the sealed bid envelope) or mailed to the Office of Mineral Resources for receipt within ten (10) days after the bid is accepted and the lease is awarded. Bidders may use a regular check for payment of the fees. The successful bidder will not receive the lease executed by the State Mineral Board until the fees are received.

All leases awarded shall be executed upon terms and conditions provided in the current State lease form with all applicable riders appended thereto a copy of which is available for review in the Office of Mineral Resources, Petroleum Lands Division, Leasing Section.

Certified check, cashier's check or bank money order payable to the **OFFICE OF MINERAL RESOURCES** for the full amount of the aforesaid Cash Payment bonus shall be submitted with and accompany each bid, and no bid, once submitted, may be thereafter withdrawn or canceled. Bids that are not opened and accepted by the Mineral Board, the accompanying checks or money order shall be negotiated by the Office of Mineral Resources and the proceeds disbursed in the manner required by law.

SPECIAL NOTE: Act 449 of the 2005 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature requires that a prospective lease holder for a State mineral lease be registered with the Office of Mineral Resources. Registration with the Office of Mineral Resources consists of filing out the prospective Leaseholder Registration form, which must be certified from the Secretary of State for the State of Louisiana attesting that the prospective leaseholder is in good standing as authorized to do business in the State of Louisiana. **UNDERSTAND** that being registered for nomination or any other purpose is **NOT CONSTITUTIVE** of registration with the **PROSPECTIVE LEASEHOLDER**. Act 449 specifically states that, "Only those bidders who are registered prospective leaseholders with the office of mineral resources shall be allowed to bid on tracts for the purpose of obtaining a mineral lease from the State of Louisiana." It is required that you submit a bid on a tract at any State mineral lease sale, that bid **WILL NOT** be accepted unless the bidding entity was properly registered with the Office of Mineral Resources prior to the lease sale at which its bid was submitted. **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS REQUIREMENT!!!**

Under rules promulgated by the Department of Natural Resources in accordance with authority granted by Act 106 of the First Extraordinary Session of the Louisiana Legislature of 2002, a fee equal to ten percent (10%) of the Cash Payment bonus is required to be submitted by separate check, either accompanying the original bid (inside the sealed bid envelope) or mailed to the Office of Mineral Resources for receipt within ten (10) days after the bid is accepted and the lease is awarded. Bidders may submit a bid on a tract for 10% fee. The successful bidder will not receive the lease executed by the State Mineral Board until the fee is received. If the fee check accompanies the bid in the sealed envelope and the bidder is unsuccessful, both the fee check and the Cash Payment bonus check will be returned to the unsuccessful bidder.

The successful bidder to whom the lease is awarded who receives the written lease executed by the State Mineral Board shall return the written lease, duly executed by Lessee (all named Lessees on the lease instrument), within **TWENTY (20) DAYS** after the same under penalty for failure to do so of forfeiture of the lease, including the Cash Payment bonus and fee tendered and negotiated.

Bids may be for the whole or any adventurously described portion of the land advertised, but consistent with the Mineral Board policy. All bidders are hereby notified that bids on portions of tracts shall be described by metes and bounds and be accompanied by a transparent plat outlining thereon the portion bid upon. The scale of the transparent plat shall be the same as the scale of the **OFFICIAL PLAT (NOT THE F & A PLAT) CONTAINED HEREIN** and should identify the Point of Beginning with X and Y coordinates (if applicable), the Section, Township and Range, the Block No. (if offshore), the Parish, any adjacent existing State Mineral Leases, and, further, should clearly show the entire tract boundaries in relation to the portion bid upon. It shall also show the Topographic features (Land and Water) of the area in detail similar to the Official Plat contained herein. Failure to follow these guidelines in submitting a portion bid may result in outright rejection of the portion bid by the State Mineral Board at its sole discretion.

Notice is given that the State Mineral Board will include provisions in the lease to insure applicable payments attributable to the lease property without regard to adverse title claims, disputes, litigation or title failure and the language of those provisions is available to any interested party at the Office of Mineral Resources. Prospective bidders should carefully examine the same prior to submitting any bid.

Some tracts available for leasing may be situated in the Louisiana Coastal Zone as defined in Act 361 of the Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature of 1978 (enacted August 15, 1978). Such tracts may be subject to the guidelines and regulations promulgated by the Coastal Management Section of the Department of Natural Resources for operations in the Coastal Zone.

NOTE: All bids shall specify the Cash Payment bonus for leases, the price per acre amount and an aggregate total amount. For purposes of rental and deferred development payments, the price per acre amount set forth in the bid, when multiplied by the appropriate acreage, shall determine the full value of rental or deferred development payments to be made. If there are any discrepancies between the total State acreage specified in a lease and the actual State acreage within the geographical boundary of the lease tract, nevertheless, the price per acre specified in the bid for a lease shall be multiplied by the appropriate State acreage within the geographical boundary of the lease tract to compute rental or deferred development payments.

NOTE: Multiple portion bids on the same tract may be accepted by the State Mineral Board, even though they overlap. In the case of overlapping portion bids on the same tract, each of which is otherwise acceptable to the State, the State Mineral Board will indicate which one of the multiple bids on the same tract is most acceptable, considering the royalty, per acre cash payment, bonus, any additional consideration and whether the tract is part of the Mineral Board, is in the best interest of the State, and that bid (referred to as "Bid A") will be given priority in having a lease issued. The State Mineral Board will also indicate the acceptability of other portion bids on the same tract, if any, in the order of their acceptance (referred to respectively as "Bid B," "Bid C," etc.). Once the plat of "Bid A" is portion has been rendered as accurately as possible, "Bid B" will be contacted and given an option to take a lease on the remaining portion of its portion bid acreage not overlapping "Bid A" s bid portion, at "Bid B" s per acre bid price (both as bid bottom and rental); and thereafter, each successive bidder whose bid is otherwise acceptable will be given the option to take a lease on whatever portion remains of his portion bid acreage at his respective per acre bid price, less and except any prior portion bid acreage on which the successful bidder has opted to take a lease.

OFFSHORE TRACT (Tract Nos. 38194 through 38199 inclusive, herein) are the tracts which lie seaward of the Louisiana shoreline, as hereinafter defined, but landward of the survey line lying three nautical miles from the Louisiana shoreline, all as determined by the Report of the Special Master in the litigation in the Supreme Court of the United States styled United States v. State of Louisiana, et al. No. 9 Original and set out in the June 1975, Decree of the said Supreme Court. All bids on offshore tracts cannot specify a lease primary term exceeding five (5) years. Bids that specify a primary term exceeding five (5) years for an offshore tract may be rejected outright or the primary term changed to five (5) years at the sole discretion of the State Mineral Board.

TRACT 38194 - Cameron Parish, Louisiana
All lands, including lands added by accretion and reliction and lands now or formerly constituting the beds and bottoms of all water bodies of every nature and description, owned by and not presently under mineral lease as of April 12, 2006 from the State of Louisiana, situated in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and being more fully described as follows: Beginning at a point on the West line of Block 30, West Cameron Area, Revised having Coordinates of X = 1,420,967.81 and Y = 391,948.00; thence North 1,842.24 feet along the West line of said Block 30 to its Northwest corner having Coordinates of X = 1,420,967.81 and Y = 391,948.00; thence East 448.38 feet along the North line of said Block 30 to the Southwest corner of Block 1, West Cameron Area, Revised having Coordinates of X = 1,421,416.19 and Y = 393,790.24; thence North 10,366.59 feet along the West line of said Block 1 to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,425,518.38 and Y = 404,156.83; thence Southeastery on a straight line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,424,630.00 and Y = 403,175.00; thence Southeastery on a straight line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,425,518.38 and Y = 402,657.54; thence South 10,709.54 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,425,518.38 and Y = 391,948.00; thence West 4,550.57 feet to the point of beginning, containing approximately 1,107.19 acres, all as more particularly outlined on a plat on file in the Office of Mineral Resources, Department of Natural Resources. All bearings, distances and coordinates are based on Louisiana Coordinate System of 1927, (North or South Zone), where applicable.

NOTE: The above description of the Tract nominated for lease has been provided and corrected, where required, exclusively by the nomination party. Any mineral lease selected from this Tract and awarded by the Louisiana State Mineral Board shall be without warranty of any kind, either express, implied, or statutory, including, but not limited to, the implied warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose. Should the mineral lease awarded by the Louisiana State Mineral Board be subsequently modified, cancelled or abrogated due to the existence of conflicting leases, operating agreements, private claims or other future obligations or conditions which may affect all or any portion of the leased Tract, it shall not relieve the Lessee of the obligation to pay any bonus due thereon to the Lessor prior to such modification, cancellation, or abrogation, including, but not limited to, bonuses, rentals and royalties.

NOTE: The State of Louisiana does hereby reserve, and this lease shall be subject to, the imprescriptible right of surface use in the nature of a servitude in favor of the Department of Natural Resources, including its Offices and Commissions, for the sole purpose of implementing, constructing, servicing and maintaining approved coastal zone management and/or restoration projects. Utilization of any and all rights derived under this lease by the mineral lessee, its agents, successors or assigns, shall not interfere with nor hinder the reasonable surface use by the Department of Natural Resources, its Offices or Commissions, as herein above reserved.

TRACT 38195 - Cameron Parish, Louisiana
All lands, including lands added by accretion and reliction and lands now or formerly constituting the beds and bottoms of all water bodies of every nature and description, owned by and not presently under mineral lease as of April 12, 2006 from the State of Louisiana, situated in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and being more fully described as follows: Beginning at a point on the East line of Block 30, West Cameron Area, Revised having Coordinates of X = 1,435,725.86 and Y = 391,948.00; thence West 10,207.48 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,425,518.38 and Y = 391,948.00; thence North 10,709.54 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,425,518.38 and Y = 402,657.54; thence Southeastery on a straight line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,425,600.00 and Y = 402,610.00; thence Southeastery on a straight line to a point having Coordinates of X =

1,429,035.00 and Y = 401,760.00; thence Southwestery on a straight line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,429,020.00 and Y = 401,485.00; thence Southeastery on a straight line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,431,465.00 and Y = 400,740.00; thence Northeastly on a straight line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,431,526.00 and Y = 400,742.00; thence Southeastery on a straight line to a point on the East line of said Block 30 having Coordinates of X = 1,435,725.86 and Y = 400,021.31; thence South 8,073.31 feet to the point of beginning, containing approximately 2,163.79 acres, all as more particularly outlined on a plat on file in the Office of Mineral Resources, Department of Natural Resources. All bearings, distances and coordinates are based on Louisiana Coordinate System of 1927, (North or South Zone), where applicable.

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NOTE: The State of Louisiana does hereby reserve, and this lease shall be subject to, the imprescriptible right of surface use in the nature of a servitude in favor of the Department of Natural Resources, including its Offices and Commissions, for the sole purpose of implementing, constructing, servicing and maintaining approved coastal zone management and/or restoration projects. Utilization of any and all rights derived under this lease by the mineral lessee, its agents, successors or assigns, shall not interfere with nor hinder the reasonable surface use by the Department of Natural Resources, its Offices or Commissions, as herein above reserved.

TRACT 38196 - Cameron Parish, Louisiana
All lands, including lands added by accretion and reliction and lands now or formerly constituting the beds and bottoms of all water bodies of every nature and description, owned by and not presently under mineral lease as of April 12, 2006 from the State of Louisiana, situated in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and being more fully described as follows: Beginning at a point on the West line of Block 31, West Cameron Area, Revised having Coordinates of X = 1,435,725.86 and Y = 385,817.19; thence North 14,204.12 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,435,726.00 and Y = 400,021.00; thence Southeastery on a straight line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,436,899.00 and Y = 399,620.00; thence Southeastery on a straight line to the most Northern Northwest corner of State Lease No. 12725, as amended having Coordinates of X = 1,437,790.10 and Y = 399,495.50; thence along the boundary of said State Lease No. 12725 the following courses: South 11 degrees 18 minutes 26 seconds West 102.49 feet, South 01 degrees 12 minutes 14 seconds East 300.17 feet, South 14 degrees 02 minutes 10 seconds East 376.23 feet, South 80 degrees 59 minutes 54 seconds East 383.47 feet, South 71 degrees 50 minutes 50 seconds East 320.98 feet, South 52 degrees 31 minutes 26 seconds East 378.02 feet, South 42 degrees 16 minutes 23 seconds East 231.71 feet, South 29 degrees 29 minutes 29 seconds East 454.01 feet, South 69 degrees 01 minutes 35 seconds East 321.29 feet, South 30 degrees 27 minutes 56 seconds East 98.62 feet, South 71 degrees 12 minutes 54 seconds East 776.35 feet, South 77 degrees 55 minutes 56 seconds East 741.38 feet, East 700.00 feet, North 74 degrees 14 minutes 56 seconds East 202.61 feet, North 51 degrees 06 minutes 56 seconds East 199.12 feet, North 33 degrees 18 minutes 38 seconds East 209.40 feet, North 03 degrees 21 minutes 59 seconds East 255.44 feet and North 18 degrees 26 minutes 06 seconds West 135.81 feet to its most Northern Northeast corner having Coordinates of X = 1,442,322.05 and Y = 397,833.84; thence Southeastery on a straight line to a point on the East line of Block 1, West Cameron Area, Revised having Coordinates of X = 1,443,236.19 and Y = 397,488.56; thence Southeastery on a straight line to the Southwest corner of State Lease No. 18596 having Coordinates of X = 1,444,523.97 and Y = 397,002.15; thence along the boundary of said State Lease No. 18596 the following courses: South 54 degrees 19 minutes 12 seconds N, 1,585.38 feet and South 51 degrees 41 minutes 39 seconds East 2,859.40 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,445,480.00 and Y = 394,305.05; thence South 5,117.05 feet to the Northeast corner of State Lease No. 18447 having Coordinates of X = 1,445,480.00 and Y = 389,188.00; thence along the boundary of said State Lease No. 18447 the following courses: West 5,156.00 feet and South 3,370.81 feet to its Southwest corner having Coordinates of X = 1,440,324.00 and Y = 385,817.19; thence West 4,598.14 feet to the point of beginning, containing approximately 2,249.09 acres, all as more particularly outlined on a plat on file in the Office of Mineral Resources, Department of Natural Resources. All bearings, distances and coordinates are based on Louisiana Coordinate System of 1927, (North or South Zone), where applicable.

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NOTE: The State of Louisiana does hereby reserve, and this lease shall be subject to, the imprescriptible right of surface use in the nature of a servitude in favor of the Department of Natural Resources, including its Offices and Commissions, for the sole purpose of implementing, constructing, servicing and maintaining approved coastal zone management and/or restoration projects. Utilization of any and all rights derived under this lease by the mineral lessee, its agents, successors or assigns, shall not interfere with nor hinder the reasonable surface use by the Department of Natural Resources, its Offices or Commissions, as herein above reserved.

TRACT 38197 - Cameron Parish, Louisiana
All lands, including lands added by accretion and reliction and lands now or formerly constituting the beds and bottoms of all water bodies of every nature and description, owned by and not presently under mineral lease as of April 12, 2006 from the State of Louisiana, situated in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and being more fully described as follows: Beginning at a point within Block 31, West Cameron Area, Revised, also being the Southeast corner of State Lease No. 18447 having

Coordinates of X = 1,445,480.00 and Y = 385,817.19; thence North 3,370.81 feet along the East line of said State Lease No. 18447 to its Northeast corner having Coordinates of X = 1,445,480.00 and Y = 389,188.00; thence North 5,117.05 feet to a point on the Southern boundary of State Lease No. 18596 having Coordinates of X = 1,445,480.00 and Y = 394,305.05; thence along the boundary of said State Lease No. 18596 the following courses: South 51 degrees 41 minutes 39 seconds East 1,965.05 feet and North 55 degrees 21 minutes 49 seconds East 3,106.40 feet to its Northeast corner having Coordinates of X = 1,449,577.87 and Y = 394,852.57; thence Southeastery on a straight line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,449,935.00 and Y = 394,700.00; thence Southeastery on a straight line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,454,105.00 and Y = 393,050.00; thence Southeastery on a straight line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,456,023.27 and Y = 392,507.52; thence South 8,472.55 feet to a point on the North line of State Lease No. 18237 having Coordinates of X = 1,456,023.27 and Y = 383,035.00; thence West 5,217.27 feet on the north line of said State Lease No. 18237 to its Northwest corner having Coordinates of X = 1,450,806.00 and Y = 383,035.00; thence West 1,614.05 feet to a point on the West line of State Lease No. 18236 having Coordinates of X = 1,449,191.95 and Y = 383,035.00; thence along the boundary of said State Lease No. 18236 the following courses: North 2,782.19 feet and West 3,711.95 feet to the point of beginning, containing approximately 2,144.97 acres, all as more particularly outlined on a plat on file in the Office of Mineral Resources, Department of Natural Resources. All bearings, distances and coordinates are based on Louisiana Coordinate System of 1927, (North or South Zone), where applicable.

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NOTE: The State of Louisiana does hereby reserve, and this lease shall be subject to, the imprescriptible right of surface use in the nature of a servitude in favor of the Department of Natural Resources, including its Offices and Commissions, for the sole purpose of implementing, constructing, servicing and maintaining approved coastal zone management and/or restoration projects. Utilization of any and all rights derived under this lease by the mineral lessee, its agents, successors or assigns, shall not interfere with nor hinder the reasonable surface use by the Department of Natural Resources, its Offices or Commissions, as herein above reserved.

TRACT 38198 - Portion of Block 29, West Cameron Area, Revised, Cameron Parish, Louisiana
The beds and bottoms of all water bodies belonging to the State of Louisiana located in Block 29, West Cameron Area, Revised, together with any present lands formed by accretion to the shoreline or islands formed therein, located in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, owned by and not presently under mineral lease and cross hatched as of April 12, 2006, from the State of Louisiana, the geographical area of which is more fully described as follows: Beginning at the Northwest corner of Block 29, West Cameron Area, Revised having Coordinates of X = 1,406,209.76 and Y = 393,790.24; thence East 14,758.05 feet along the North line of said Block 29 to its Northeast corner having Coordinates of X = 1,420,967.81 and Y = 393,790.24; thence South 8,823.43 feet along the East line of said Block 29 to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,420,967.81 and Y = 384,966.81; thence along an arc having a radius of 18,240.60 feet and a center at X = 1,425,600.00 and Y = 402,610.00 for 110 degrees and not presently under mineral lease and cross hatched on a straight line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,417,428.00 and Y = 386,302.00; thence Northwestery on a straight line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,417,695.00 and Y = 388,054.00; thence Northwestery on a straight line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,406,675.00 and Y = 389,181.00; thence West 8,200.21 feet to a point on the West line of said Block 29 having Coordinates of X = 1,406,209.76 and Y = 389,258.53; thence North 4,531.71 feet to the point of beginning, containing approximately 2,183.65 acres, **LESS AND EXCEPT** that portion thereof, if any, lying seaward of the line three nautical miles from the coast line of Louisiana, as said three mile line has been decreed by the Supreme Court of the United States, as determined by a Special Master appointed therein, in litigation styled **United States v. State of Louisiana et al. No. 9 Original**, in 1975, all as more particularly outlined on a plat in the Office of Mineral Resources, Department of Natural Resources. All bearings, distances and coordinates are based on the Louisiana Coordinate System of 1927, (South Zone).

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NOTE: The State of Louisiana does hereby reserve, and this lease shall be subject to, the imprescriptible right of surface use in the nature of a servitude in favor of the Department of Natural Resources, including its Offices and Commissions, for the sole purpose of implementing, constructing, servicing and maintaining approved coastal zone management and/or restoration projects. Utilization of any and all rights derived under this lease by the mineral lessee, its agents, successors or assigns, shall not interfere with nor hinder the reasonable surface use by the Department of Natural Resources, its Offices or Commissions, as herein above reserved.

TRACT 38199 - Portion of Block 30, West Cameron Area, Revised, Cameron Parish, Louisiana
The beds and bottoms of all water bodies belonging to the State of Louisiana located in Block 30, West Cameron Area, Revised, together with any present lands formed by accretion to the shoreline or islands formed therein, located in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, owned by and not presently under mineral lease and cross hatched as of April 12, 2006, from the State of Louisiana, the geographical area of which is more fully described as follows: Beginning at a point on the East line of Block 30, West Cameron Area, Revised having Coordinates of X = 1,435,725.86 and Y = 391,948.00; thence South 5,915.81 feet along the East line of said Block 30 to the Northeast corner of State Lease No. 18027 having

Coordinates of X = 1,435,725.86 and Y = 389,624.19; thence along the boundary of said State Lease No. 18027 the following courses: West 9,000.00 feet and South 2,906.88 feet to its Southwest corner having Coordinates of X = 1,426,725.86 and Y = 383,125.31; thence along an arc having a radius of 18,240.60 feet and a center at X = 1,431,465.00 and Y = 400,740.00 to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,426,148.00 and Y = 383,291.00; thence Northwestery on a straight line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,423,703.00 and Y = 384,036.00; thence along an arc having a radius of 18,240.60 feet and a center at X = 1,429,020.00 and Y = 401,485.00 to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,421,665.00 and Y = 384,793.00; thence Northwestery on a straight line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,421,218.00 and Y = 384,903.00; thence along an arc having a radius of 18,240.60 feet and a center at X = 1,425,600.00 and Y = 402,610.00 to a point on the West line of said Block 30 having Coordinates of X = 1,420,967.81 and Y = 384,966.81; thence North 6,981.19 feet along the West line of said Block 30 to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,420,967.81 and Y = 391,948.00; thence East 14,758.05 feet to the point of beginning, containing approximately 2,269.93 acres, **LESS AND EXCEPT** that portion thereof, if any, lying seaward of the line three nautical miles from the coast line of Louisiana, as said three mile line has been decreed by the Supreme Court of the United States, as determined by a Special Master appointed therein, in litigation styled **United States v. State of Louisiana et al. No. 9 Original**, in 1975, all as more particularly outlined on a plat in the Office of Mineral Resources, Department of Natural Resources. All bearings, distances and coordinates are based on the Louisiana Coordinate System of 1927, (South Zone).

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NOTE: The State of Louisiana does hereby reserve, and this lease shall be subject to, the imprescriptible right of surface use in the nature of a servitude in favor of the Department of Natural Resources, including its Offices and Commissions, for the sole purpose of implementing, constructing, servicing and maintaining approved coastal zone management and/or restoration projects. Utilization of any and all rights derived under this lease by the mineral lessee, its agents, successors or assigns, shall not interfere with nor hinder the reasonable surface use by the Department of Natural Resources, its Offices or Commissions, as herein above reserved.

INLAND TRACTS (Tract Nos. 38200 through 38254 inclusive, herein) are those tracts which lie landward of the Louisiana shoreline, as defined by the report of the Special Master in the litigation in the Supreme Court of the United States styled United States v. State of Louisiana, et al. No. 9 Original and set out in the June 1975, Decree of the said Supreme Court. All bids on inland tracts cannot specify a lease primary term exceeding three (3) years. Bids that specify a primary term exceeding three (3) years for an inland tract may be rejected outright or the primary term changed to three (3) years at the sole discretion of the State Mineral Board.

TRACT 38222 - Cameron Parish, Louisiana

All of the lands now or formerly constituting the beds and bottoms of all water bodies of every nature and description the title of which vests in the State of Louisiana, together with all islands arising therein and other lands formed by accretion or by reliction, where allowed by law, excepting tax adjudicated lands, and not presently under mineral lease and cross hatched on April 12, 2006, situated in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of State Lease No. 18038 having Coordinates of X = 1,219,470.33 and Y = 459,957.00; thence West 8,120.21 feet to a point on the Texas Louisiana boundary having Coordinates of X = 1,211,350.12 and Y = 459,957.00; thence North 31 degrees 07 minutes 12 seconds East 967.19 feet along the said Texas Louisiana boundary to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,211,850.00 and Y = 460,785.00; thence North 21 degrees 41 minutes 28 seconds East 1,403.99 feet along the said Texas Louisiana boundary to the Southwest corner of State Lease No. 18810 having Coordinates of X = 1,212,368.92 and Y = 462,089.57; thence East 4,980.53 feet along the South boundary of said State Lease No. 18810 to its Southeast corner having Coordinates of X = 1,217,349.45 and Y = 462,089.57; thence North 2,402.33 feet along the East boundary of said State Lease No. 18810 to its Northeast corner also being a point on the South boundary line of State Lease No. 18722 having Coordinates of X = 1,217,349.45 and Y = 464,491.90; thence West 8,120.21 feet to a point on the South boundary of said State Lease No. 18722 having Coordinates of X = 1,217,349.45 and Y = 462,089.57; thence North 1,074.43 feet along the West boundary of said State Lease No. 18037 its Southwest corner also being a point on the North boundary of State Lease No. 18038 having Coordinates of X = 1,222,704.54 and Y = 462,089.57; thence South 2,324.21 feet along the North boundary of said State Lease No. 18038 to its Northwest corner having Coordinates of X = 1,219,470.33 and Y = 462,089.57; thence South 2,132.57 feet along the West boundary of said State Lease No. 18038 to the point of beginning, containing approximately 715.19 acres, **LESS AND EXCEPT** that portion thereof, if any, located West of the boundary line between the States of Texas and Louisiana as determined by the report of the Special Master and adjudicated by the Supreme Court of the United States in litigation styled **Texas v. Louisiana, et al. No. 36 Original**, or as otherwise approved by said court, all as more particularly outlined on a plat on file in the Office of Mineral Resources, Department of Natural Resources. All bearings, distances and coordinates are based on Louisiana Coordinate System of 1927, (North or South Zone), where applicable.

NOTE: The above description of the Tract nominated for lease has been provided and corrected, where required, exclusively by the nomination party. Any mineral lease selected from this Tract and awarded by the Louisiana State Mineral Board shall be without warranty of any kind, either express, implied, or statutory, including, but not limited to, the implied warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose. Should the mineral lease awarded by the Louisiana State Mineral Board be subsequently modified, cancelled or abrogated due to the existence of conflicting leases, operating agreements, private claims or other future obligations or conditions which may affect all or any portion of the leased Tract, it shall not relieve the Lessee of the obligation to pay any bonus due thereon to the Lessor prior to such modification, cancellation, or abrogation, including, but not limited to, bonuses, rentals and royalties.

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NOTE: The State of Louisiana does hereby reserve, and this lease shall be subject to, the imprescriptible right of surface use in the nature of a servitude in favor of the Department of Natural Resources, including its Offices and Commissions, for the sole purpose of implementing, constructing, servicing and maintaining approved coastal zone management and/or restoration projects. Utilization of any and all rights derived under this lease by the mineral lessee, its agents, successors or assigns, shall not interfere with nor hinder the reasonable surface use by the Department of Natural Resources, its Offices or Commissions, as herein above reserved.

TRACT 38235 - Cameron Parish, Louisiana

All of the lands now or formerly constituting the beds and bottoms of all water bodies of every nature and description the title of which vests in the State of Louisiana, together with all islands arising therein and other lands formed by accretion or by reliction, where allowed by law, excepting tax adjudicated lands, and not presently under mineral lease and cross hatched on April 12

Legal Notices

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that, in accordance with L.R.S. 3:1609 and LAS 7:XV.314(A), the Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry, Louisiana Boll Weevil Eradication Commission, has established a boll weevil eradication zone, the Louisiana Eradication Zone, consisting of all the territory within the state of Louisiana.

Notice is further given that all producers of commercial cotton in

Louisiana are required to participate in the boll weevil eradication program, including cost sharing, in accordance with the Boll Weevil Eradication Law and Rules and Regulations. This includes, but is not limited to, reporting of cotton acreage and paying of assessments by July 15 of each crop year, and destruction of cotton plants and stalks by December 31 of each crop year. A copy of the law and rules and regulations may be obtained from the Boll Weevil Eradication

Commission, P. O. Box 3596, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-3596, telephone number (225)952-8105.

Notice is also given that the planting of noncommercial cotton is PROHIBITED in Louisiana unless a written waiver is obtained from the Commissioner of Agriculture & Forestry in accordance with LAC 7:XV.319(C). To request a waiver, submit a written application to the Department of Agriculture and Forestry, at the address provided in this notice, stating the conditions under which such written waiver is requested. RUN: Mar. 9, 16, 23 (M 4)

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS 17525

Sealed bids will be received for the State of Louisiana by the Division of Administration, Office of State Purchasing, 1201 N. 3rd St., 2nd Floor, Suite 2-160, P. O. Box 94095, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9095 until 10:00 A.M., on April 19, 2006, for the following:

PCWRP BRUSH FENCE REMOVAL FOR DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (6) PARISHES: CAMERON, ST. MARY, ST. CHARLES, ST. BERNARD, ORLEANS AND JEFFERSON

Proposal Number: **M 26221 DL**
Solicitation Number: **2206071**
Complete Bidding Documents may be obtained from:

OFFICE OF STATE PURCHASING
CLAIBORNE BUILDING,
2ND FLOOR
1201 NORTH THIRD STREET
BATON ROUGE, LA 70804

Attn: Pamela Allen
Email: pamel.a.allen@la.gov
Fax: (225) 342-8688
Phone: (225) 342-8019

A Mandatory pre-bid conference will be conducted on this project at the jobsite on Wednesday, April 5, 2006 at 9:30 A.M., Lasalle Building, Room 1026, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Attendance is required in order to submit a bid proposal.

All bids must be accompanied by bid security equal to five percent (5%) of the sum of the base bid and all alternates, and must be in the form of a certified check, cashier's check or Bid Bond. Surety represents that it is listed on the current U.S. Department of Treasury Financial Management Service list of approved bonding companies and that it is listed thereon as approved for an amount equal to or greater than the amount for which it obligates itself in this instrument. No Bid Bond indicating an obligation of less than five percent (5%) by any method is acceptable.

The successful Bidder shall be required to furnish a Performance and Payment Bond written by a company licensed to do business in Louisiana, in an amount equal to 100% of the Contract amount, and who is currently on the U.S. Department of the Treasury Financial Management Service List. The bond shall not be accepted if written for an amount exceeding the amount listed in the Treasury Financial Management Service List.

Bids shall be accepted only from Contractors who are licensed under La. R.S. 37:2150-2163 for the classification(s) such as, **Heavy Construction and/or specialty of Coastal Restoration & Habitate Enhancement; Seeding, Sodding, Soil Stabilization, Sheet Piling.** No bid may be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days after receipt of bids.

When this project is financed either partially or entirely with State Bonds, the award of this Contract is contingent upon the sale of bonds by the State Bond Commission. The State shall incur no obligation to the Contractor until the Contract Between Owner and Contractor is fully executed. STATE OF LOUISIANA DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION OFFICE OF STATE PURCHASING DENISE LEA DIRECTOR OF STATE PURCHASING RUN: Mar. 16, 23, 30 (M 30)

NOTICE

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

672 Wakefield Road, Suite A
Cameron Parish, LA 70631
Rita's Restaurant, LLC,
/s/Clayton Davis,
Secretary/Treasurer

Petition of Opposition should be made in writing in accordance with L.R.S. Title 26, Section 85 and 283. RUN: Mar. 16, 23 - M 31

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals for the construction of the following project will be received by the Cameron Parish Police Jury until **10:00 a.m. on 3 April 2006** at the Cameron Parish Waterworks #11 Office, 111 Dennis Lane, Grand Lake Community, Bell City, LA 70630.

Project Number: 2006-01 Parish-Wide Road Signing Project

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

I. Highway, Street, and Bridge construction.

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

Full information and proposal forms are available at the office of Lonnie G. Harper & Associates, Inc., Post Office Box 229, Grand Chenier, Louisiana 70643-0229, (337) 538-2574. Plans and specifications

may be inspected upon deposit of \$50.00 per set. Bids must be submitted on proposal forms provided by the engineer. Official action will be taken at the regularly scheduled Cameron Parish Police Jury meeting. The Cameron Parish Police Jury reserves the right to reject any or all the proposals and to waive informalities.

Cameron Parish Police Jury /s/Douaine Conner, President RUNS: Mar. 16, 23, 30 - M 34

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS 17531

Sealed bids will be received for the State of Louisiana by the Division of Administration, Office of State Purchasing, 1201 N. 3rd St., 2nd Floor, Suite 2-160, P. O. Box 94095, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9095 until 10:00 A.M., on April 19, 2006, for the following:

SABINE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE EARTHEN CONTAINMENT DIKE DEGRADATION FOR

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES CAMERON, LA

Proposal Number: **M 26219 DL**
Solicitation Number: **2206073**
Complete Bidding Documents may be obtained from:

OFFICE OF STATE PURCHASING
CLAIBORNE BUILDING,
2ND FLOOR

1201 NORTH THIRD STREET
BATON ROUGE, LA 70804

Attn: Pamela Allen
Email: pamel.a.allen@la.gov
Fax: (225) 342-8688
Phone: (225) 342-8019

A mandatory pre-bid conference will be conducted on this project on Wednesday, April 5, 2006 at 10:00 A.M. at LDNR, ULL Campus, Abdalla Hall, Rm 102, 635 Cajundome Blvd. Lafayette, LA 70506. Attendance is required in order to submit a bid proposal.

All bids must be accompanied by bid security equal to five percent (5%) of the sum of the base bid and all alternates, and must be in the form of a certified check, cashier's check or Bid Bond. Surety represents that it is listed on the current U.S. Department of Treasury Financial Management Service list of approved bonding companies and that it is listed thereon as approved for an amount equal to or greater than the amount for which it obligates itself in this instrument. No Bid Bond indicating an obligation of less than five percent (5%) by any method is acceptable.

The successful Bidder shall be required to furnish a Performance and Payment Bond written by a company licensed to do business in Louisiana, in an amount equal to 100% of the Contract amount, and who is currently on the U.S. Department of the Treasury Financial Management Service List. The bond shall not be accepted if written for an amount exceeding the amount listed in the Treasury Financial Management Service List.

Bids shall be accepted only from Contractors who are licensed under La. R.S. 37:2150-2163 for the classification(s) such as, **Heavy Construction And/Or Specialty Of Earthwork, Drainage & Levee; Coastal Restoration & Habitat Enhancement; Dams, Reservoirs And Flood Control Work Other Than Levees.** No bid may be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days after receipt of bids.

When this project is financed either partially or entirely with State Bonds, the award of this Contract is contingent upon the sale of bonds by the State Bond Commission. The State shall incur no obligation to the Contractor until the Contract Between Owner and Contractor is fully executed. STATE OF LOUISIANA DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION OFFICE OF STATE PURCHASING DENISE LEA DIRECTOR OF STATE PURCHASING RUN: Mar. 16, 23 & 30 (M 35)

NOTICE

By virtue of and in conformity with the procedures of Section 151 through 158 of Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, sealed bids will be received at the office of the Cameron Parish School Board in Cameron, Louisiana, on or before the **10th day of April 2006 at 4:00 p.m.**, at which time all bids received will be opened by the Cameron Parish School Board for a lease covering the oil, gas, and other liquid gaseous hydrocarbon mineral rights in, to and under the following described property:

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

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

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

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

Any lease granted hereunder shall be on the regular current Cameron Parish School Board lease form with Approved Rider for Attachment to State Agency Lease Forms and shall be subject to the approval of the State Mineral Board. A copy of the said lease form and rider are available for inspection at the office of the Cameron Parish School Board in Cameron, Louisiana. Certified check, bank money order, or cashier's check, payable to the Cameron Parish School Board for the full amount of the bonus, shall accompany and be submitted with each bid; and no bid thus submitted may be thereafter withdrawn or canceled; and the cash bonus accompanying the bid of the successful bidder shall be forfeited to the Cameron Parish School Board should he not return the written lease, duly executed, within twenty (20) days after his receipt of the same.

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

CAMERON PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
BY: /s/ Douglas L. Chance
DOUGLAS L. CHANCE,
SUPERINTENDENT
RUN: March 23, 30, April 6 (M 36)

NOTICE OF POLLING PLACES

According to Carl Broussard, Clerk of Court of Cameron Parish in accordance with Title 18:535B of the Louisiana Election Code, the following is the official listing of the Polling Places for the upcoming Spring Municipal Primary Election to be held on Saturday, April 1, 2006.

POLLING PLACES
Precinct 8: location: Lowry Fire Station, 460 Lowry Hwy., Lowry, La.

Precinct 9: location: Klondike Community Center, Veterans Memorial Drive, Klondike, La.

Precinct 17: location: St. Eugene Catholic Church, 5035 Grand Chenier Hwy., Grand Chenier, La.
RUNS: Mar. 16, 23 - M 37

PUBLIC NOTICE
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (LDEQ)

ENERGY PARTNERS OF DELAWARE, LTD /S.L. 18527 WELL NO. 1 DRAFT WATER DISCHARGE PERMIT

The LDEQ, Office of Environmental Services, is accepting written comments on a draft Louisiana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (LPDES) permit prepared for Energy Partners of Delaware, Ltd, S. L. 18527 Well No. 1, 201 St. Charles Avenue, Suite 3400, New Orleans, Louisiana 70170. The facility is located at **West Cameron Area, Revised, Block 25, approximately 5.5 miles southwest of Cameron, Cameron Parish.**

The principal discharge from this existing source is made into the Gulf of Mexico, waters of the state classified for primary contact recreation, secondary contact recreation, fish and wildlife propagation, and oyster propagation. Under the SIC Code 1311, the applicant proposes to discharge fluids associated with oil and gas exploration, development, and production operations from the proposed oilfield facility.

During the preparation of this permit, it has been determined that the discharge will have no adverse impact in the existing uses of the receiving waterbody. As with any discharge, however, some change in existing water quality may occur.

Written comments, written requests for a public hearing or written requests for notification of the final decision regarding this permit action may be submitted to Ms. Soyamaya Shoshn at LDEQ, Public Participation Group, P. O. Box 4313, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4313. **Written comments and/or written requests must be received by 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 25, 2006.** Written comments will be considered prior to a final permit decision.

If LDEQ finds a significant degree of public interest, a public hearing will be held. LDEQ will send notification of the final per-

mit decision to the applicant and to each person who has submitted written comments or a written request for notification of the final decision.

The application, draft permit, and statement of basis are available for review at the LDEQ, Public Records Center, Room 127, 602 North 5th Street, Baton Rouge, LA. Viewing hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (except holidays).

Inquiries or requests for additional information regarding this permit action should be directed to Sonja Loyd, LDEQ, Water & Waste Permits Division, P. O. Box 4313, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4313, phone (225) 219-3090.

Persons wishing to be included on the LDEQ permit public notice mailing list or for other public participation related questions should contact the Public Participation Group in writing at LDEQ, P. O. Box 4313, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4313, by email at maillistrequest@ldeq.org or contact the LDEQ Customer Service Center at (225) 219-LDEQ (219-5337).

Permit public notices including electronic access to the draft permit and statement of basis can be viewed at the LDEQ permits public notice webpage at www.dew.state.la.us/news/PubNotice/ and general information related to the public participation in permitting activities can be viewed at www.dew.louisiana.gov/portal/tabid/2198/Default.aspx.

Alternatively, individuals may elect to receive the permit public notices via email by subscribing to the LDEQ permits public notice List Server at http://www.state.la.us/ldeq/listserverpage/ldeq_pln_listserv.htm.

All correspondence should specify AI Number 134035, Permit Number LA0122068, and Activity Number ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS 17547

Sealed bids will be received for the State of Louisiana by the Division of Administration, Office of State Purchasing, 1201 N. 3rd St., 2nd Floor, Suite 2-160, P. O. Box 94095, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9095 until 10:00 A.M., on April 26, 2006, for the following:

FURNISH LABOR, EQUIPMENT, AND MATERIALS REPAIR (4) METAL BUILDINGS FOR WILDLIFE & FISHERIES ROCKEFELLER FUR & REFUGE CAMERON PARISH

Proposal Number: **M 26225 DL**
Solicitation Number: **2206227**
Complete Bidding Documents may be obtained from:

OFFICE OF STATE PURCHASING
CLAIBORNE BUILDING,
2ND FLOOR

1201 NORTH THIRD STREET
BATON ROUGE, LA 70804

Attn: Pamela Allen
Email: pamel.a.allen@la.gov
Fax: (225) 342-8688
Phone: (225) 342-8019

SITE VISIT IS REQUIRED.
A Mandatory pre-bid conference will be conducted on this project at the jobsite on Wednesday, April 12, 2006 at 10:30 A.M. Attendance is required in order to submit a bid proposal.

All bids must be accompanied by bid security equal to five percent (5%) of the sum of the base bid and all alternates, and must be in the form of a certified check, cashier's check or Bid Bond. Surety represents that it is listed on the current U.S. Department of Treasury Financial Management Service list of approved bonding companies and that it is listed thereon as approved for an amount equal to or greater than the amount for which it obligates itself in this instrument. No Bid Bond indicating an obligation of less than five percent (5%) by any method is acceptable.

The successful Bidder shall be required to furnish a Performance and Payment Bond written by a company licensed to do business in Louisiana, in an amount equal to 100% of the Contract amount, and who is currently on the U.S. Department of the Treasury Financial Management Service List. The bond shall not be accepted if written for an amount exceeding the amount listed in the Treasury Financial Management Service List.

Bids shall be accepted only from Contractors who are licensed under La. R.S. 37:2150-2163 for the classification(s) such as, **Building Construction.** No bid may be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days after receipt of bids.

When this project is financed either partially or entirely with State Bonds, the award of this Contract is contingent upon the sale of bonds by the State Bond Commission. The State shall incur no obligation to the Contractor until the Contract Between Owner and Contractor is fully executed. STATE OF LOUISIANA DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATION OFFICE OF STATE PURCHASING DENISE LEA DIRECTOR OF STATE PURCHASING RUN: Mar. 23, 30, Apr. 6 (M 44)

NOTICE

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

6595 W. Creole Hwy.
Cameron, LA 70631
Cam-Tool Inc.
d/b/a Carroll's Quik Stop
/s/Wade Carroll, Jr. Owner

Petition of Opposition should be made in writing in accordance with L.R.S. Title 26, Section 85 and 283. RUN: March 23 - M 45

Legal Notices

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 15, 2006

The Cameron Parish Gravity Drainage District No. 7 board met for the regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. February 15, 2006.

The meeting was called to order by Curtis L. Trahan, President

Members present are: Ivan Barentine, Rogerest Romero, E. Carol Trahan, Ricky Romero and Curtis L. Trahan.

Absent are: none.
Guests are: Kurt Storm, Scotty Badon, Patty Morris and Lance Romero.

On a motion by E. Carol Trahan and seconded by Ricky Romero and carried, the January 19, 2006 minutes were approved.

On a motion by Rogerest Romero and seconded by Ivan Barentine and carried to approve and pay bills.

On a motion by Rogerest Romero and seconded by E. Carol Trahan and carried, for Scotty Badon to use his overtime for comp time.

On a motion by E. Carol Trahan and seconded by Rogerest Romero and carried to approve permit:

*LCUP#060204-Apache Corporation - Section 19, T14S-R11W, Section 24 and 25-T14S-R12W.

Scotty Badon discussed salinity readings.

On a motion by E. Carol Trahan and seconded by Rogerest Romero and carried, the board was adjourned.

/s/Curtis L. Trahan, Curtis L. Trahan, President

Attest: /s/Patty Morris
RUNS: Mar. 23 - M 46

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 28, 2006

The Cameron Parish Gravity Drainage District No. 7 board met for a special meeting at 6:30 p.m. February 28, 2006.

The meeting was called to order by Curtis L. Trahan.

Members present are: Ivan Barentine, E. Carol Trahan, Rogerest Romero, and Curtis L. Trahan.

Absent are: Ricky Romero.
Guests are: Scotty Badon and Patty Morris.

On a motion by E. Carol Trahan and seconded by Rogerest Romero and carried to approve and pay bills.

On a motion by Ivan Barentine and seconded by Rogerest Romero and carried to withdraw funds from the money market account to carry the board till April.

Curtis L. Trahan discussed Coastal Impact Assistance Program meeting with the board members.

The board discussed the current status of debris cleanup.

Scotty Badon discussed salinity readings with the board.

On a motion by Rogerest Romero and seconded by E. Carol Trahan and carried, the board was adjourned.

/s/Curtis L. Trahan, Curtis L. Trahan, President

Attest: /s/Patty Morris
RUNS: Mar. 23 - M 47

PROCEEDINGS

The Cameron Parish Waterworks District No 10 met in Special session on Tuesday - February 28, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. at the temporary office in the village of Hackberry Louisiana, due to Hurricane Rita. Members present were: Mrs. Connie Trahan, Mr. Jessie Simon, Jr., Mr. Nathan Griffith, and Mr. Lloyd Badon.

Members absent were Mr. Jim Cox. Guests attending were Valerie Menard and Tonya Harrington.

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

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

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

Part time relief secretary/billing clerk applicants were interviewed. With a motion from Mr. Simon, second from Mr. Badon and the following votes being cast: Yaye: Mr. Griffith, Mrs. Trahan, Mr. Badon, and Mr. Simon.

Naye: None. Tonya Harrington was chosen to fill the position.

The security fence at the Holly Beach site was discussed. It was moved by Mrs. Trahan, seconded by Mr. Badon and carried to install a 6' chain link fence, chain, and padlock at this time.

The Board of Directors went into Executive session to discuss personnel at 7:10 p.m. They went back into regular session at 8:29 p.m. With a motion by Mr. Badon seconded by Mrs. Trahan and carried all three employees were given a 4% cost of living raise.

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Griffith adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

The next Waterworks meeting will be held on the second Tuesday of March 2006 at 6:30 p.m. at the Hackberry Temporary Office.

Approved: /s/Nathan Griffith
Nathan Griffith - Chairman

Attest: /s/Connie Trahan
Connie Trahan - Secretary

RUNS: Mar. 23 - M 49

WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 11

OF THE PARISH OF CAMERON, LOUISIANA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC EMERGENCY

The Board of Commissioners of Waterworks District No. Eleven of Cameron Parish, Louisiana ("District"), is a duly created and validly existing body corporate and politic and public instrumen-

tal of the Parish of Cameron, State of Louisiana ("Parish"), pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 8 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.

Due to increased water system demands caused by the population increase because of the evacuation of lower Cameron Parish for Hurricane Rita, the District, at a special meeting on March 15, 2006, has declared a state of public emergency exists in the District.

The District intends to borrow not exceeding \$1,500,000 at an interest rate not exceeding 4.5% per annum for a term not exceeding one (1) year from date to be secured by and payable from the excess of annual revenues accruing to the budget of the Issuer for the one (1) year period during which the loan is outstanding, above statutory, necessary and usual charges, to make immediate emergency improvements to its waterworks system to accommodate the dramatic increase in population and to enable the Issuer to meet the minimum system pressure requirements of the State Sanitary Code.

This Notice is being given pursuant to the provisions of Part II of Chapter 10 of Title 38 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 38:2924D).

ATTEST WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 11 OF THE PARISH OF CAMERON, LOUISIANA
/s/ Helen M. Williams
HELEN M. WILLIAMS, SECRETARY

BY: /s/ Jeffrey Jouett
JEFFREY JOUETT, PRESIDENT

RUN: Mar. 23 (M 50)

CAMERON PARISH WATERWORKS

DISTRICT NO. 11 PROCEEDINGS

January 9, 2006

There was a regular meeting of the Board of Waterworks District 11 at 6:00 p.m., Monday, January 9, 2006, at the Grand Lake Waterworks office.

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

Absent: None.
Other Attendees: Mr. Lonnie Harper, Lonnie Harper & Associates.

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

On motion of Grace Robideaux, seconded by Gerald Richard and carried unanimously, the minutes from the December 12, 2005 regular meeting were approved as previously mailed out.

Mr. Lonnie Harper gave an update of the USDA Grant Application. Environmental impact letters have been sent to the appropriate agencies. Any responses we receive from these agencies will have to be included in the application packet.

Mr. Kelly Vigo addressed the board to discuss Summer Place subdivision.

On motion of Grace Robideaux, seconded by Andre Abadie and carried unanimously, the board voted to accept the engineer's design for Summer Place Subdivision.

On motion of Grace Robideaux, seconded by Tim Fontenot and carried unanimously, Mr. Jeffrey Jouett was elected a Board President for the coming year.

On motion of Grace Robideaux, seconded by Tim Fontenot and carried unanimously, Mr. Andre Abadie was elected a Board Vice-President for the coming year.

On motion of Grace Robideaux, seconded by Tim Fontenot and carried unanimously, Helen Williams was appointed Board Secretary for the coming year.

On motion of Grace Robideaux, seconded by Andre Abadie and carried unanimously, the Cameron Pilot was named the official journal for a period of two years.

On motion of Tim Fontenot, seconded by Gerald Richard and carried unanimously the following budget was adopted for 2006:

REVENUES

Ad Valorem Taxes- Maintenance \$68,500.00.

Water Sales \$330,000.00.

Bulk Water Sales \$1500.00.

Tap Fees \$15,000.00.

Connection Fees \$3,500.00.

Reconnect Fees \$1,400.00.

Penalty Charges \$13,000.00.

Returned Check Fees \$150.00.

ACT Income \$400.00.

Rental Tower Space \$9,000.00.

Interest Income \$2,500.00.

TOTAL REVENUES \$444,950.00

EXPENDITURES

Salaries & Related Items - Salaries - Full Time \$125,000.00.

Group Insurance \$29,378.28.

Retirement Expense \$12,112.50.

Worker Compensation \$1,000.00.

Medicare Tax Expense \$1,595.00.

FICA Tax Expense \$930.00.

Total--Salary & Related Items \$170,015.78.

General Maintenance Contributions to Pension Fund \$2,400.00.

Professional Fees--Audit \$3,300.00.

Per Diem \$3,600.00.

Medical Tests \$150.00.

Water Analysis \$1,000.00.

Security (v/a) \$500.00.

Utilities - Electric \$20,000.00.

Contract Labor \$1,000.00.

Insurance - Fire & Casualty \$1,900.00.

Insurance - General Liability \$2,300.00.

Insurance - Errors & Omissions \$420.00.

Insurance - Vehicles \$2,500.00.

Insurance - Surety Bonds \$400.00.

Telephones \$6,600.00.

Publishing Fees - Public Notices \$1,200.00.

Printing - Billing Supplies \$1,500.00.

Mileage \$150.00.

Meals \$200.00.

Lodging \$500.00.

Training Expenses \$500.00.

Certification Fees \$180.00.

Registration Fees \$500.00.

Membership Dues \$300.00.

Pipe & Pipe Fittings \$25,000.00.

Maintenance \$60,000.00.

Vehicle - Gas & Oil \$7,500.00.

Equipment Rental \$1,042.84.

Tools & Equipment \$1,000.00.

Supplies \$6,500.00.

Chemicals \$16,000.00.

Dotties \$500.00.

Postage \$5,000.00.

Depreciation Expense \$67,000.00.

Total - General Maintenance \$240,642.84.

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$410,658.62.

On motion of Tim Fontenot, seconded by Grace Robideaux and carried unanimously, the board gave the superintendent authority to sign the office manager's timesheet and the office manager the authority to sign the superintendent's timesheet when a board member is not available.

On motion of Tim Fontenot, seconded by Grace Robideaux and carried unanimously, the board voted to proceed with bringing in four Americorp workers to assist in hurricane relief efforts.

On motion of Grace Robideaux and seconded by Andre Abadie and carried unanimously, the board gave Jeffrey Jouett the authority to decide which workers to hire through Americorp and what the pay rate for these employees would be.

On motion Tim Fontenot, seconded by Andre Abadie and carried unanimously the position of Secretary will be changed to a part-time position. This position will work 20 hours per week at \$8.00 per hour. The hours are to be determined by the Office Manager. This will commence at the next pay cycle.

There was a financial report given for the month ending December 31, 2005.

The Superintendent's monthly report was given by James Cox. The report included the following items:

*Water Usage
*Tap installation

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

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

APPROVED: Jeffrey Jouett, President

Attest: Helen Williams, Secretary

RUNS: Mar. 23 - M 51

PUBLIC NOTICE

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (LDEQ)

ENERGY PARTNERS OF DELAWARE, LTD / S.L. 18527 WELL NO. 1

DRAFT WATER DISCHARGE PERMIT

The LDEQ, Office of Environmental Services, is accepting written comments on a draft Louisiana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (LPDES) permit prepared for Energy Partners of Delaware, Ltd, S. L. 18527 Well No. 1, 201 St. Charles Avenue, Suite 3400, New Orleans, Louisiana 70170. The facility is located at West Cameron Area, Revised, Block 25, approximately 5.5 miles southwest of Cameron, Cameron Parish.

The principal discharge from this existing source is made into the Gulf of Mexico, waters of the state classified for primary contact recreation, secondary contact recreation, fish and wildlife propagation, and oyster propagation. Under the SIC Code 1311, the applicant proposes to discharge fluids associated with oil and gas exploration, development, and production operations from the proposed oilfield facility.

During the preparation of this permit, it has been determined that the discharge will have no adverse impact in the existing uses of the receiving waterbody. As with any discharge, however, some change in existing water quality may occur.

Written comments, written requests for a public hearing or written requests for notification of the final decision regarding this permit action may be submitted to Ms. Soymaya Shosn at LDEQ, Public Participation Group, P. O. Box 4313, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4313. **Written comments and/or written requests must be received by 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 25, 2006.** Written comments will be considered prior to a final permit decision.

If LDEQ finds a significant degree of public interest, a public hearing will be held. LDEQ will send notification of the final permit decision to the applicant and to each person who has submitted written comments or a written request for notification of the final decision.

The application, draft permit, and statement of basis are available for review at the LDEQ, Public Records Center, Room 127, 602 North 5th Street, Baton Rouge, LA. Viewing hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (except holidays).

Inquiries or requests for additional information regarding this permit action should be directed to Sonja Loyd, LDEQ, Water & Waste Permits Division, P. O. Box 4313, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4313, phone (225) 219-3090.

Persons wishing to be included on the LDEQ permit public notice mailing list or for other public participation related questions should contact the Public Participation Group in writing at LDEQ, P. O. Box 4313, Baton Rouge, LA 70812-4313, by email at maillistrequest@ldeq.org or contact the LDEQ Customer Service Center at (225) 219-LDEQ (219-5337).

Permit public notices including electronic access to the draft permit and statement of basis can be viewed at the LDEQ permits public notice webpage at www.deq.state.la.us/news/PubNotice/ and general information related to the public participation in permitting activities can be viewed at www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/tabid/2198/Default.aspx.

Alternatively, individuals may elect to receive the permit public notices via email by subscribing to the LDEQ permits public notice List Server at http://www.state.la.us/ldbc/list-servpage/ldeq_pn_listserv.htm.

All correspondence should specify AI Number 134035, Permit Number LA0122068, and Activity Number PER2006001.

RUNS: Mar. 23 - M 41
NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND SEMCRUDE, L.P.

The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality and SemCrude, L. P., Agency Interest Number 31844, have entered into a proposed settlement agreement concerning the State's allegations of environmental violations by Respondent at its facility in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, which allegations are set forth in Consolidated Compliance Order & Notice of Potential Penalty, LDEQ Enforcement Number AE-CN-04-0189.

The Department of Environmental Quality will accept comments on the proposed settlement for the next forty-five (45) days. The public is invited and encouraged to submit written comments to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, Office of the Secretary, Legal Affairs Division, Post Office Box 4302, Baton Rouge, LA, 70821-4302, Attention: Carolyn O. Bryant, Attorney III. All comments will be considered by the Department in reaching a decision on whether to make the settlement final.

Terms and conditions of the proposed settlement may be reviewed at the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, Records Management, Room 127, Galvez Building, 602 North Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 70802.

Pursuant to La. R.S. 30:2050.7(D), the Department may hold a public hearing regarding this proposed settlement when either of the following conditions are met: 1) a written request for public hearing has been filed by twenty-five (25) persons, by a governmental subdivision or agency, or by an association having not less than twenty-five (25) members who reside in the parish in which the facility is located; or 2) the secretary finds a significant degree of public interest in this settlement.

For further information, you may call the Legal Affairs Division of the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality at (225) 219-3985. To request a copy of the proposed settlement, submit a completed Public Record Request Form (DEQ Form FSD-0005-01). The form and instructions for completion may be found on the DEQ Website at the following address: <http://www.deq.state.la.us/pubRecords/default.htm>.

RUN: Mar. 23 (M 56)

PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of Meeting
Cameron Parish Drainage District #9

February 16, 2006 06:00 PM

Hackberry Community Center Administrative

Reuben LaBauve (President) calls meeting to order.

Members Present - Scott Benoit, Alex. Seay, Paul Constance

Members absent - Bill Delcambre

Guests Present - None

Minutes for previous meeting were not distributed and will be approved at the next scheduled meeting.

Treasurers' Report \$67,628.73 - Checking Account \$150,000.00 - CDs

P. Constance motioned to approve treasurer's report as read. A. Seay seconded motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussions were open for the following:

Bid reviews for debris clean up in areas that affect drainage was discussed. P. Constance motioned to accept Crain Brothers bid with and addenda to include clean out north of the large culvert under Aladdin Rd, in the School House Marsh, and a time constraint to start the work. A. Seay seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Artie Seay ditch project was discussed. S. Benoit motioned to have Arabic Environmental submit a permit to include the remained of the drainage lateral from Hughes property to Black Lake. A. Seay seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

S. Benoit presented invoice for approval to pay. A. Seay made a motion to pay the invoices. S. Benoit seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

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

Minutes prepared and submitted by Scott Benoit, Secretary-

Treasurer.

Reuben LaBauve, President
Scott Benoit, Secretary-Treasurer

RUN: Mar. 23 (M 57)

PROCEEDINGS

March 13, 2006

The Cameron Parish School Board met in special called session on this date to consider the items listed herein. The following members were present: Loston McEvers, Dwayne Sanner, Dot Theriot, Pat Howerton, Mrs. Rachel Abadie, and Mr. Marvin Trahan. Absent: Patricia Morris.

Mr. Loston McEvers, Board President, called the special meeting to order at 1:30 P.M.

On motion of Mr. Sanner, seconded by Mrs. Theriot, the Board approved to take under advisement the presentations by attorneys in regards to insurance litigations.

On motion of Mr. Howerton, seconded by Mrs. Theriot, the Board adjourned.

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

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

The Committee met on this date at 3:00 p.m. with the following members present: Loston McEvers, Dot Theriot, Dwayne Sanner, Pat Howerton, Marvin Trahan, and Rachel Abadie. Absent: Patty Morris.

On motion of Mr. Howerton, seconded by Mrs. Abadie, the Committee approved the agenda.

On motion of Mr. Howerton, seconded by Mrs. Abadie, the Committee received the monthly financial statement.

On motion of Mrs. Theriot, seconded by Mr. Trahan, the Committee received the report of payment of bills.

On motion of Mr. Howerton, seconded by Mr. Sanner, the Committee adj

Cameron Outdoors

By LOSTON MCEVERS



FISHING THOUGHT

I love to bass fish, but catching redbfish and speckled trout is also a passion of mine. To see the beautiful sunrise, hear all the wildlife waking up to the morning air, is being part of what our parents and grandparents passed along to us and hopefully we can continue to pass this great sport on for more generations to come.

Water temperatures are on the rise and bass are bedding up to spawn, it's sharp hooks, strong lines and lots of patience, and the big one's out there, however a cold front can slow all this down.

THE BIG BEND

Garner Nuenz and I made a trip to Toledo Bend last weekend, caught a few bass on Thursday evening, but Friday was a hard day, fish few and far in between. Saturday morning, a strong east-northeast wind blowing, a light drizzle just wasn't worth going out, then Cameron Communication had a tournament among themselves and the launch was loaded, so we took the boat from the boat house stall, pulled out, washed down and came on home.

The lake is still low, and a little dangerous, as there's logs and stumps in the boat lanes. Lots of the big tournaments are still moving their contests to Sam Rayburn. There was a 14.1 pound bass weighed in the lake last week.

NEWS BRIEFS

Bass fishing for good catches depends on temperatures, not only from surface, but the temperature of the water and the barometer. The bend's surface temperature was running in the low 50's but the water-temp was running 62 to 68 degrees, however the pressure was on the rise and that was tough fishing.

Cold fronts during early spring can be harsh, with sudden changes, and it affects shallow bass more, like fishing the bend in 2 to 6 feet of water, and our marshes with 1 to 3 feet of water.

Spring was official last Monday, March 20, but we'll soon start longer days as Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, April 2. Before we know it, we'll start to have the "Dog" days of summer, and of course the beginning of hurricane season.

LEMESCHE BASS CLUB

Lemesche Bass Club members or new members are reminded by President Carl Broussard of the start-up meeting on Monday, Mar. 27, at Picadilly, at the Prien Lake

Mall, starting at 6 p.m. Dues are due at \$30 per member.

TOURNAMENT WINNERS

Teddy Gordon and his partner Jeff Conley took third place with a five bass stringer weighing in at 11.14 pounds. Fishing Sam Rayburn they caught their bass using a Rogue. This has been a popular bait on both Sam Rayburn and Toledo Bend. My son Rudy lives by the Rogue in a silver top, orange belly, pulling it slow, stopping it, then jerking a little and reeling again to make it dive.

Dennis Tietje of Roanoke finished third in the Louisiana B.A.S.S. state qualifying tournament with a 14.66 pound stringer. This tournament was held in Morgan City. Tietje was a regular, sponsored for a number of years by Scott and Lola Quinn of Grand Lake, when they owned Buzzmaster Lures.

BASS TRAVEL

Ever wonder how far blackbass move after being released, following a fishing tournament weigh-in. According to a study conducted by some Department of Fish and Game and some biologist, largemouth bass don't travel far. In a three year study, 83 tagged largemouth bass were released but only 34 were reported recaptured. Of these 34 fish, 13 were caught less than a mile from the release site while 21 were caught from one to seven miles from the release site during the first two days after being released. The average distance traveled was one mile, and the entire three year study period was less than two miles.

Smallmouth bass, which we don't have here traveled two to fifteen miles, way further than largemouth bass. The study also showed that on average, less than 20 percent of the bass in a lake, are ever caught by sport anglers. Most of the fish live and die without ever feeling the bite of a hook.

LACASSINE REFUGE

Some really nice bass were caught in the pool, however water is low. Scootie Trosclair and his family had five bass with the smallest 2 3/4 pounds and two over four pounds with a 4.12 and 4.9. Richard Nunez had two nice bass in two days, one over 8 and one over seven pounds. Jerry Trahan had one over ten pounds. I was told by the refuge officials that the big fish survived, but the small fish didn't and that seems to be the case.

Parish Baseball & Softball Roundup

BASEBALL

Grand Lake 11, ESA 8 - Steven Smith and Ryan Monceaux threw for the Hornets. Top hitters were Adam Precht, 4-5 with a triple; Stephen Smith, 2-3; Monceaux, 3-5. The Hornets improve to 7-4 overall and 2-0 in district.

South Cameron 21, Gueydan 3 - Justin Picou and Kirby Kingrey shared pitching duties for the Tarpons. Top hitters were Daniel Dupre, 4-5 with 3 runs and 5 stolen bases; Thomas Trosclair, 3-3 with 2 runs and 4 RBIs; Jordan Richard, 3-4 and 4 runs; Tyrell Harmon, 2-2 and a run; Byron Quinn, 1-1 with a run. The Tarpons improve to 4-0 on the year.

Grand Lake 19, Lacassine 3 - Levi Stevinson struck out 11 as the Hornets improve to 6-4 overall and 1-0 in district. Top hitters were Stephen Smith, 2-2; Jacob Hebert, 2-2; Heath Romero, 1-3; and Jace Hebert, 1-3.

Bell City 17, Hackberry 11 - Drew East, Jay Sanner, Austin Moore, Travis Spicer, and Ian Blue shared the mound for the Mustangs. Top hitters were Jay Sanner, 3-5 with a RBI; Judd Addison, 1-3; Spicer, 1-4; Moore, 1-4; and Blue, 1-3.

SOFTBALL

Merryville 4, South Cameron 0 - Laken Mock went the distance for the Lady Tarpons. Top hitters were Mock, 1-3 and Kelsi Kiffe, 1-2. The Lady Tarpons drop to 9-2 overall and 1-1 in district.

Kinder 5, Grand Lake 3 - Lakeyn Duhon pitched for the Lady Hornets. Top hitters were Hale Pesson, 2-4 with a double and Maggie Fruge, 2-4 with a double.

South Cameron 18, Hamilton Christian 0 - Laken Mock and Kimily Bourriaque combined their efforts for a no hitter as the Lady Tarpons improve to 9-1 on the year.

Top hitters were Mock, 3-3 with a homerun, 3 runs and 3 RBIs; Haley McCall, 2-3 with 2 triples, 2 runs and 5 RBIs; Whitney Richard, 2-3 with a RBI and run; Meagan Trahan, 1-2 with 3 RBIs and 2 runs; and Christian McCall, 1-2 and 3 runs. The Lady Tarpons scored 17 runs in the top of the first inning.

Grand Lake 12, Vinton 1 - Lakeyn Duhon threw for the 7-4 Lady Hornets. Duhon was the top hitter for Grand Lake going 2-4 with a grand slam, triple, and 5 RBIs.



Grand Lake girls play in Sulphur Hi tournament

The Grand Lake Lady Hornets softball team participated in the Sulphur High School Tournament on March 11. The Lady Hornets finished the tournament with a record of 2-1 and a composite record of 6-4. The scores from the tournament are as follows:

Grand Lake 2, South Cameron 5 - The pitcher for Grand Lake was Lakeyn Duhon. The top hitters for Grand Lake were Haley Pesson (1/2), Lakeyn Duhon (1/2), and Haley Pesson (1/2). Brandy Carroll and Lakeyn Duhon scored Grand Lake's runs.

Grand Lake 4, St. Joseph's Academy 0 - The pitcher for Grand Lake was Lakeyn Duhon, who struck

out 8. The top hitter for Grand Lake was Brandy Carroll (2/3, 1 run), Lakeyn Duhon (1/3, 1 run) and Haley Pesson (1/2, 1 run).

Grand Lake 2, St. Edmund's 1 - The pitcher for Grand Lake was Lakeyn Duhon, who struck out 6. The top hitter for Grand Lake was Brandy Carroll (1/2, 1 run)

Grand Lake also played Vinton in a regular season game on Monday, March 13.

Grand Lake 12, Vinton 1 - The pitcher for Grand Lake was Lakeyn Duhon (7K, 0BB). The top hitters were Lakeyn Duhon (2/4, Grand Slam), Haley Pesson (1/3, homerun), Tressa Theriot (2/4), Brittany Hebert (1/3, homerun), Elizabeth Reon (1/2).

Volunteers are needed

By DINAH LANDRY

The Grand Lake - Sweet Lake Volunteer Fire Department members are seeking new volunteers.

With the influx of new families moving in to the Grand Lake - Sweet Lake areas, the volunteer fire

"I want to go home..."

(EDITOR'S NOTE--Mrs. Wendell (Judy) Rutherford sent the Pilot the following poem in which she expresses the feelings of most displaced Cameron Parish residents about wanting to go home. She wrote: "Wendell and I came home to Oak Grove on Feb. 17 and are living in a FEMA camper while we repair a used mobile home. We lived in a FEMA camper in Lake Charles in my sister's (Karan) front yard for four months. God continues to bless us daily!")

BY JUDY RUTHERFORD

I WANT TO GO HOME
Last night I went to sleep in a FEMA camper
And I thanked my God for all He's given me.
I thanked Him for my family.
I thanked Him for my husband.
I thanked Him for the life He's given me.

Lake Charles folks are kind and oh so loving
But home is where I'll always want to be.
Yes, my house is gone, but it's still my home
Underneath those beautiful oak trees.

Soon we're going home to Cameron Parish
We'll start anew and make more memories.
We'll think about the past, but those tears won't last.
See, Jesus has a plan for you and me.

I want to go home
I want to go home.
Oh, how I want to go home.

department extends a hearty welcome to those who may be able to provide a few hours of service to the community each month to join the department.

On the second Monday of each month, a regular meeting and training is held. The training takes you from the very beginning basics of fire fighting through the advanced training. Bunker gear and pagers are given to each member who shows a desire to work for the department.

The third Saturday afternoon of each month, a more extensive training takes place. Both trainings and meetings are limited to three hours each. Supper is served at each meeting.

The fire department assures that training is available for all those in need. Fire Chief Toby Landry and Asst. Chief Troy Thomas encourage everyone to consider joining the department.

The department is operated by a board of directors consisting of Paul Wasson, T-Man Racca, C.S. Darbonne, Randall McFatter and Scott Creel.

The board members and the volunteers have been extremely grateful for the assistance given from other departments during the recovery from Hurricane Rita. Lake Charles Fire Department as well as other departments from other states have served in our communities.

Although the burn ban was lifted prior to the first of the year volunteers encourage residents to be careful and attentive when setting fires. Please prepare the area you wish to burn in advance and contact the fire chief at 598-4472 if the burn will be large or will happen close to other houses and property. Be sure to know the area you are burning, be sure it is free of explosive material. Plan ahead and plan to attend to the fire during its duration.

Never leave a fire unattended. Practice safe burning at all times. For more information contact the fire department secretary, Dinah Landry at 598-4472.

Hackberry, Johnson B. players are All District

By CHRIS & LAURIE MUELLER

Hackberry's Jay Sanner was named the District 8C Most Valuable Player. The senior forward averaged 17 points per game with 10 rebounds and 3 assists.

Joining him on the first team was Blaine Trahan of Johnson Bayou. Trahan, a junior forward, averaged 14.9 points per game with 10 rebounds and 5 assists.

Trahan's teammate Nick Moore was named to the second team.

Lady Mustang forward Mandy Michalko was named the girls' first team all district. She averaged 11.5 points per game with 6.6 rebounds and 2.3 assists. Michalko was also named as an honorable mention on the

Class C All State team. Her teammates Jena Sanner, Carly Fountain, and Amanda Miller were named to the second team.

Johnson Bayou's Charmayne Barrentine also made the second team.

ALL DISTRICT 6B

Grand Lake's Deon Bergeron and Meagan Miller were named to their respective First Team All District squads. Bergeron, a senior forward, averaged 16.8 points per game with 10.6 rebounds.

Miller, a senior guard, averaged 11.4 points per game with 3.5 rebounds and 5.1 assists.

Brett Griffith and Katherine Kingham were named to the second team all district.

Parish athletes place in two recent track relays

By CHRIS & LAURIE MUELLER

RALPH NEWELL RELAYS in DeQuincy: South Cameron's Christian McCall was named outstanding female field athlete.

Individual results for the Tarpons were: Christian McCall, 2nd javelin, 1st long jump, 1st triple jump, 1st pole vault; Haley McCall, 3rd pole vault.

LAKE AREA RELAYS in Iowa: The Grand Lake Lady Hornets scored 150 points to finish first in the girls meet. Brittany Houston was named the Outstanding Female Field Athlete.

Hackberry was a distant 6th and Johnson Bayou was 8th. Grand Lake boys finished in 2nd place with 87 points behind Lacassine.

Johnson Bayou was 6th and Hackberry finished 7th.

Individual results for Grand Lake were: Haley Quinn, 3rd shot put; Brittany Hebert, 3rd discus, 2nd javelin; Elizabeth Reon,

3rd javelin; Brittany Houston, 1st long jump, 1st high jump, 1st triple jump; Lakeyn Duhon, 3rd long jump; Jace Lavolette, 3rd discus, 2nd javelin; Molly Precht, 3rd triple jump; Amber Taylor, 1st pole vault, 1st 100;

Haeley Cooper, 2nd 400; Sonya Lavergne, 3rd 800; Maggie Fruge, 1st 100 low hurdles; Lakeyn Duhon, Amber Taylor, Megan Miller, Brittany Houston, 1st 400 relay; Sara Taylor, Amber Taylor, Lakeyn Duhon, Hailey Cooper, 1st 800 relay; Adam Precht, 1st javelin; Brett Griffith, 3rd triple jump; Justin Howerton, 2nd 400; Kory Dahlen, 3rd 800, 1st 300 high hurdles.

Individual results for Johnson Bayou were: Adam Trahan, 2nd shot put; Keith Badon, 2nd triple jump, 3rd 200; DJ Conner, 2nd 1600; Eden Broussard, 2nd shot put.

Scoring for Hackberry were: Jay Sanner, 3rd long jump, 3rd high jump.

It Seems Just Like Yesterday

By Keith Hambrick



Cameron Pilot, March 22, 1973.

PILOT WRITERS WINNERS

Mrs. Bernice Stewart of Lake Arthur, columnist, feature writer, and news reporter for the Cameron Pilot, received four awards in the Margaret McDonald Writing contest sponsored by the Louisiana Press Women.

Mrs. Stewart placed first in a news story and in a personal column. She won second place in feature stories. Her fourth award was a third place listing in special articles.

Another Pilot reporter, Mrs. Geneva Griffith, won three awards for articles appearing in the Lake Charles American Press. All these were for photographs.

BRIDGE BIDS TO BE LET

Bids on the construction of the Gibbstown and Ellender bridges over the Intracoastal Canal in Cameron and Calcasieu parishes are due this year, according to Sen. Jesse Knowles and Rep. Conway LeBleu.

The Ellender Bridge, to be constructed just north of the Cameron Parish line and northeast to the existing pontoon bridge, will be let for bids this week.

It was also announced that the Gibbstown bridge is scheduled for bid letting late this fall.

MRS. JOHNSON NAMED

Mrs. Marie D. Johnson, postmaster at Hackberry for the past four years, has been named as the postmaster for DeQuincy effective last Friday.

Mrs. Betta Berwick, who has been a clerk at the Hackberry post office for the past 12 years, has been named officer in charge of the Hackberry post office.

Mrs. Johnson was named Hackberry postmaster on July 1, 1967.

Although she and her husband have a home in Hackberry, Mrs. Johnson plans to live in DeQuincy, except perhaps on the weekends.

KNIGHTS HONOR TWO MEMBERS

Members of Knights of Columbus No. 5461 of Cameron honored two of the veteran members as "Knights of the Month" during their monthly meeting. Named were Edward J. Benoit and Wilman Saltzman.

Benoit was cited for his work representing the Cameron KC Council in taking charge of the La. Fur & Wildlife Festival trap setting contest and Saltzman for his work in a recent fund raising activity of Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish.

Delegates elected to represent the Cameron KC Council at the State KC Convention in Lake Charles May 18, 19 and 20 are: James R. LeBoeuf, Grand Knight; James L. Derouen, financial secretary; and Claude J. Hebert. Alternates are Earl Mouton and Ruben Morales.

SPRING IS HERE BY ELORA MONTIE

This past Tuesday, March 20, marked the beginning of Spring. Many signs of Spring showed up on the Chenier such as purple wisteria, white bridal wreaths and many colors of azaleas.

Out in the pastures and woods the clusters of white blossoms are to be seen on the haw trees; the clover is also out and so green and in bloom.

Many ring-neck geese and ducks are now nesting around the wildlife refuge headquarters and the summer mallards are nesting in the various marshes.

ROUNDOABOUT THE PARISH

Bobby Conner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee John Conner, of Creole, recently received a trophy for winning the heavy-weight wrestling title of Altus Air Force base in Oklahoma. He is a graduate of South Cameron High School and was a member of the Tarpon wrestling team for four years.



Homecoming brings tears

By AMANDA JOHNSON BLANCHARD

I didn't go back to Cameron right away. Both for logical reasons - I had a two week old when Rita hit - and for emotional reasons - I wasn't sure I wanted to see my hometown destroyed, I wanted to remember it the way it was.

My initial grief reaction was consumed by my family's loss. When parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends all lose everything in one day, you can't concentrate on personal sorrow.

After my family's life stabilized to some degree, I felt my own grief reaction creeping up on me. I mean in no way to compare my sorrow to those who lost everything merely to share my journey, knowing other people will relate.

I found myself lying awake at night, trying to memorize the layout of every home, every neighborhood, every building of my childhood the way you try to remember in detail the face of a loved one who passed - so as not to forget. I felt, in a strange way, that my past was washed away with that horrible storm. I know for my family it felt as if their lives had been washed away.

It became apparent that I had to go back. I had to physically see what had happened to my beloved home, hoping that my head and heart would finally understand. And so we went, my husband and I.

I wept from the base of the Gibbstown bridge till I was standing in the mud that was

once our home.

I wept standing in the middle of the barren church, our "Star of the Sea" where I had learned about God.

I wept looking at the beautiful mural amid all the destruction in the Cameron Elementary lunchroom.

And I wept when I made it to the courthouse, because finally something seemed familiar. It was heartbreak like I had never known, and I finally had a full grasp of the devastation I had seen written on everyone's face.

I miss Cameron so much. As an adult, it was such a comfort to spend weekends there with my toddler and my family. I looked forward to showing this place to my children in all its wild beauty. I loved the way people's front porches were often decks 15 feet in the air, and you could look out over the swaying marsh grasses and feel the gulf breeze on your face. I loved the look of majestic oaks drooping with Spanish moss. But most of all I loved the people, full of character and warmth.

With time, I have realized that none of our pasts have been washed away. It lives in our hearts, in our stories, in the spirits of the people of Cameron Parish. This is how I know the people and the parish will recover and rebuild.

As a nurse, I work with people from everywhere on a daily basis. I have never known a more resilient, faithful, hardworking, and kind group of people than those I was privileged to grow up with. God will again bless this parish.