



Lee Ann Phillips

Phillips given recognition by A. Legion

Five law enforcement officers of Southwest Louisiana were honored at the April meeting of W. B. Williamson Post No. One of the American Legion.

They received the 2004 Law and Order Awards, sponsored annually by Post One to recognize outstanding contributions to the community by law enforcement personnel.

The honorees:

Senior Agent Lee Ann Phipps of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

Officer Benjamin L. Randolph of the Lake Charles Police Department.

Sergeant Jeff Viator of the Louisiana State Police.

Major David R. Wagonmner Sr., of the Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's Department.

Officer Larry N. West of the Iowa Police Department.

Senior Agent Phipps of Creole was cited by her superiors for outstanding service in patrolling the Rockefeller Refuge in Cameron Parish.

"She always greets you with a smile," say her superiors, "but don't take her kindness as a show of weakness. Violators have always met their match in her. She patrols Rockefeller Refuge day and night in pursuit of violators."

Agent Phipps lives in Creole with two protective pets, "Boudreaux" and "Cheyenne."

Aid offered with energy bills here

Cameron Parish individuals and families who meet certain income guidelines may apply for assistance with cooling and heating bills under the Low Income Energy Assistance Program being administered by the Cameron Community Action Agency.

Eligible households with children five years of age and younger, the elderly and disabled persons will be given priority. Income guidelines range from \$19,324 for a family of two to \$39,216 for a family of eight. Contact the agency for guidelines.

Applicants must bring proof of income and/or receipt of AFDC, Food Stamps, SSI, Veteran's VA, Survivors' Pension, Social Security, retirement, pensions, and annuities. Applicants must bring the energy bill they need assistance in paying as well as Social Security cards for all members of household.

Applications are by appointments only, Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please call the Cameron Office at 775-5145 or Grand Lake Office at 598-5158 to make the appointment.

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PICTURED AT the dedication of two historical markers at Cameron by the Southwest Louisiana Historical Society were, from left: Robert Benoit, Society president; Rev. Tom Beeler, pastor of Wakefield Methodist Church; Frankie Henry; Conway LeBleu; Police Juror James Doxey, Norma Jean Blake, and Kathy Bordelon, McNeese archivist. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

Historical markers unveiled for two Cameron sites Tuesday

The United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Agency will have some good news for Holly Beach residents when the USDA Earth Day program is held there on Thursday, April 22.

The agency plans to announce over \$23 million in Water and Waste funding for projects in Louisiana, including \$3.9 million to be awarded the Cameron Parish Sewage District for a new municipal sewer system for Holly Beach.

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The program will begin at 9 a.m. when Earth Day volunteer will plant woody species and grasses on the beach to provide shelter and food for migrant birds during the spring and fall migrations.

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At 11:30 a.m. volunteers and local and state dignitaries will be served a lunch provided by the Jeff Davis Electric Coop, La. Rural Water Assoc. and Community Resource Group, Inc.

During the Earth Day Ceremony which begins at noon, the water and waste projects funding will be announced.

The Farm Service Agency will brief attendees on the Debt for Nature Program through which agency borrowers are conserving wildlife

Two students attend meet

Two Cameron parish students competed in the USAW Folkstyle National wrestling tournament in Cedar Falls, Iowa recently. They wrestled with the Louisiana team.

Kent Doxey of Cameron Elementary placed 10th in the nation in the 87 lb. class.

Thomas Brown of South Cameron Elementary also competed in the national event.

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The site for the Earth Day program is the Apache Corp. Mecum Ranch Field Office located a few miles west of Holly Beach.

Applications sought for registrar

Elsewhere in this issue of the Pilot is a notice from the Cameron Parish Police Jury which is seeking applicants for the position of Cameron Parish Registrar of Voters.

Mrs. Ruby Kelley, who has held this position since 1982, is retiring on July 1.

The position pays about \$36,000 a year plus hospitalization and retirement benefits.

Applications for the position are due at the Cameron Parish Police Jury Annex, 110 Smith Circle, Cameron, La. 70632 by 2 p.m., Friday, April 30.

Classes to be held at library

Cameron Parish Library and Sowela Technical College is offering Microsoft Word II classes at the Cameron Library on April 27th and May 3rd from 5:30-8:30 p.m.

The classes will include setting up tables, tabs, columns, working in multiple page documents, bookmarks, document mapping, mail merging and macros. Total cost is \$30. Call 775-5421 to register by 4 p.m., Monday, April 26.

Pool work

Cameron Parish Recreation District 9 board has declared an emergency to enable it to secure immediate repairs to the Creole swimming pool.

Sabine Pools of Lake Charles has been contracted to repair a major leak in the pool at the cost of \$16,500.

By declaring an emergency, the board did not have to go through the bid process which would have taken several weeks.

Holly Beach sewer project grant to be announced Thurs.

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Audubon Society buying site for bird sanctuary

The Baton Rouge Audubon Society is presently in the process of buying a 54 acre site known as the Hollister Woods in Grand Chenier to be used as a bird sanctuary.

The Society also owns the Peveto Woods Sanctuary located on the Gulf west of Holly Beach.

According to The Barred Owl, the Society's newsletter, the new property is located on the north side of Hwy. 82 near Grand Chenier and has 29 acres in cheniers (oak covered ridges) and 25 acres in marsh.

The Society is buying the property in cooperation with the Louisiana Nature Conservancy and the Wildlife Federation.

The Society plans to make these woods available for birdwatching some time in the future. They plan to put up a sign, a gate and a shell path back to the woods.

The newsletter also reported that Japanese honeysuckles have taken over much of the Peveto Woods preserve and that Society members have been working hard to clear out the vines.

S. Cam. High recognized for academic growth

South Cameron High School was recognized at a reception in Baton Rouge last week for "Recognized Academic Growth" in the state's accountability program.

Statewide, 333 schools were recognized for meeting or exceeding their growth targets. At the reception held at the Governor's Mansion, district superintendents and school board presidents were presented with flags to give to their local schools that achieved Exemplary Academic Growth and Recognized Academic Growth.

Gov. Kathleen Blanco and Supt. of Education Cecil Picard were on hand to honor the schools.

For the 2001-2003 accountability cycle, 24 percent of schools statewide, representing 64 of 66 school districts, met or exceeded their growth targets and were eligible for growth flags as well as monetary rewards.

In addition, 120 schools achieved Recognized Academic Growth.

Schools of Recognized Academic Growth met or exceeded their growth targets by five points or less while

Schools of Exemplary Academic Growth exceeded their growth targets by more than five points.

South Cameron High was the only Cameron Parish School to be honored.

Lady Tarpons in playoffs

The South Cameron Lady Tarpons, the third place team in district 5-1A traveled to Port Sulphur, the district 9 runner-up, on Monday. The Lady Tarpons came away with the win, 4-0.

They will host Catholic Point Coupee later this week.

Board meeting

The Cameron Area Agency on Aging advisory board will meet at noon on Tuesday, May 18 at the Cameron Senior Center.

The meeting is open to the public.



THESE WERE the two historical markers erected by the Southwest Louisiana Historical Society Tuesday to mark the sites of the old Calcasieu Pass Lighthouse and the Gulf Biologic Station at Cameron.

(Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



THE RECENTLY completed pavilion at the Jetty Pier Park at Cameron is pictured above on the left. It is joined by a walkway to the restroom building on the right. These facilities are located adjacent to the Cameron Fishing Pier which was constructed along the east jetties on the Cameron ship channel several years ago. Picnic tables are in place and barbecue pits are being constructed.

(Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)



DENNIS ARNOLD, Cameron Communication's officer, displays a print of the old Calcasieu Pass Lighthouse which will be printed on the new Cameron Telephone Book cover. He unveiled the print at the dedication of a monument Tuesday near the site of the old lighthouse.

(Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

FUNERAL

Alligator lottery winners are announced here



Jean Marie Erbeling

JEAN MARIE ERBELING

Funeral services for Mrs. Jean Marie Erbeling, 64 of Johnson Bayou, were held Saturday, April 17, at Our Lady of Assumption Catholic Church in Johnson Bayou. Burial was in Head of the Hollow Cemetery, under the direction of Hixson-Sulphur Memorial Funeral Home.

Mrs. Erbeling died Thursday, April 15, 2004 at her residence.

She was a member of Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church. She was employed by Transo for ten years and with the Cameron Parish School Board for six years.

Survivors include seven children, Alexis Guidry of Houma, Tammy Stinson of Poteaux, Okla., Billy Jinks of Mauriceville, Tex., and Patty Barentine, Mark Jinks, Eric Jinks, and Todd Jinks all of Johnson Bayou; six sisters, Mary Louise Nunez and Connie Hicks of Mauriceville, Tex., Jackie Jinks, Georgia Constance, and Barbara Leger, all of Johnson Bayou, and Marylynn Constance of Big Lake.; one half sister, Wilma Sullivan of Lake Charles; and 18 grandchildren.

A lottery drawing to select Southwest Louisiana National Wildlife Refuge Complex alligator hunters and alternates for the 2004-2006 alligator seasons took place Wednesday, April 14th at the Cameron Parish Police Jury Building.

Sixteen hunters and nine alternates were selected from 128 applicants. Selected hunters must pass criminal background investigations to meet hunting permit qualifications. In the event that an alligator trapper does not meet the permit qualifications, an alternate will be chosen.

Hunters and alternates chosen in yesterday's lottery drawing are as follows:

Cameron Prairie NWR
Hunter - Patrick Eraste Hebert, Bell City

Alternates - Kelley Joseph Vincent, Grand Chenier; Kenton Todd Conner, Grand Chenier; Ceasar Anthony Swire, Grand Chenier

Lacassine NWR

Hunters - Darrel Wayne Guidry, Hackberry; Stephen Michael Boudreaux, Kinder; Clyde Dewitt Doxey, Sr., Lake Charles; Raleigh Paul Estilette, Lake Charles; Chad Joseph Little, Grand Chenier

Alternates - Jason Bryant LaBove, Cameron; Scotty L. Brown, Cameron; Robert John Price, Jr., Jennings

Sabine NWR

Hunters - Randall Lee Richard, Lake Charles; Kaleb Keane Trahan, Creole; Tina Marie Payne, Creole; Kenneth Alan Theriot, Grand Chenier
Jenny Kate Warner, Lake Charles

Marie Allie Deshotel, Lake Charles; Tredale Lynne Boudreaux, Creole; Scott Bennett Nunez, Creole; Ernie Little, Hackberry; Brent J. Hoffpauir, Sulphur

Alternates - Bryan Michael Trahan, Cameron; Stacey C. Little, Hackberry; Dustin

Ryan Savoie, Cameron
Each hunter and alternate hunter will be officially notified of their selection directly by the SW LA National Wildlife Refuge Complex Wildlife Biologist, Steve Reagan, when background investigations are complete.

Hunters will receive additional information about the refuge alligator hunting program during a mandatory hunter orientation meeting that will be held at Cameron Prairie National Wildlife Refuge. The date of this meeting has not been set at this time.



International Bird Day to be held at Sabine Refuge

Sabine National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) will celebrate International Migratory Bird Day on Saturday, April 24, by offering a special day of free family oriented activities at its Wetland Walkway.

The event will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., with interpretive volunteers and staff on hand to guide visitors.

The Wetland Walkway is located four miles south of the Sabine National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center and across from the West Cove Recreation area along Highway 27, south of Hackberry.

International Migratory Bird Day (IMBD) is an annual event to celebrate and support migratory bird conservation. The theme for IMBD 2004 is the conservation of colonial-nesting birds, such as the Great Blue Heron.

These birds are favorites of the general public, because of their size and visibility, but are surprisingly vulnerable to human threats.

Sabine NWR is a nesting and feeding ground for many colonial nesting birds including great blue herons, roseate spoonbills, great egrets, snowy egrets, and black-crowned night herons.

Bird enthusiasts of all ages and abilities are invited to Sabine National Wildlife Refuge's Wetland Walkway to learn about the refuge's birds. There will be activity stations



GRAND LAKE BRANCH of the Cameron Parish Library had lots of fun and a good turn out at their first crochet class. Instructor Georgette LaVergne showed the community how to do a basic crochet stitch. The next class is scheduled for Tuesday, April 27th from 4:30 - 6 p.m. For more information or to sign up for this free class at the library, please call Kim at 598-5950.

Hackberry News

By GRACE WELCH

BINGO
Bingo will be held Saturday, April 24, at the Catholic Hall.

FIRST COMMUNION
Congratulations to the First Communion Class this past weekend at St. Peter's Church. They are John McKay DeBarge, Kennedy Darbonne, Jonathan Landry, Gabriel Lenards, Torey Little, Tiffanie Raymond, Codie Reon, Mattie Stine, Jolie Trahan and William Toups.

LITTLE DRIBBLERS
Little Dribblers 9 - 10 year old girls team members are Meagan Johnson, Taylor Johnson, Holley Landry, Gabby Lenards, Sami Little, Tiffanie Raymond, Jaielyn Reed, Madison Shove,

Destiny Simon, Blair Trahan and Jolie Trahan.

Coaches are George Shove and Steve Trahan.

Little Dribblers 13 - 14 year old girls team members are Lauren Broussard, Natasha Ducote, Kelsey Hicks, Lauren Johnson, Desira LaBove, Kylie Lenards, Allyson Sanner, Kayla Sanner, Lori Beth Shove, Megan Swire and Chandelle Toups.

Coaches are Blaine Johnson and Kirk Sanner.



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Pen-raised waterfowl not legal at refuges

During these early weeks of April approximately 2 dozen mallards, mainly drakes, and a green-winged teal were observed behaving abnormally. The birds would not flush when approached and many of the mallards seemed completely unaware of nearby human activity. Several of these birds were caught and examined.

The teal suffered from a broken wing; something not that unusual. Wildlife does not lead an easy or safe life. The mallards, however, appeared completely normal but in very, very poor health. All of the chest muscles were sunken and the bony keel was very obvious; these birds were starving. Disease was of immediate concern.

After examination, it was determined these were pen raised birds. Although they were indistinguishable from wild mallards, most had plastic, red colored leg bands. These pen raised birds did not appear to know how to recognize natural foods. It appears

someone, maybe with the best intention, released 2 dozen or so birds on the National Wildlife Refuge.

This is not only unlawful and against the refuges regulations but more importantly someone unknowingly has put these domestic birds and their wild cousins in greater danger. The domestic bird may harbor diseases to which the wild birds have little natural defense and these uneducated birds will attract predators. The local Northern Caracara had already quickly identified these birds as food and had killed several before the refuge was able to collect those remaining mallards.

Whoever released these domestic birds, and anybody thinking that releasing domestic animals is good, needs to realize they are not helping. They have been misled. These animals are subjected to starvation and, maybe if their lucky, death at the teeth and talons of the predators.

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It Seems Just Like Yesterday

By Keith Hambrick



MARSH FIRES DRAW GEESE TO SABINE REFUGE

"Now you don't see it: Now you do."

One of the most startling examples of how a wildlife "magician" can put his bag of "tricks" to work was recently revealed by the Fish and Wildlife Service, United States Department of the Interior.

In 1938, a comparatively small number of blue and snow geese wintered on the Sabine National Wildlife Refuge, which lies on the Gulf Coast of Southwest Louisiana at Hackberry. John Lynch, a biologist of the Service's Division of Wildlife Research, conducted a series of controlled marsh grass fires and now in fall and winter, a half a million snow and blue geese flock into the 147,000 acre refuge.

Before the burning, marsh grasses grew high. Geese like to feed on open land, where the grass is short. "So, the marsh lands were burned," Lynch explains, "new shoots of grass and sedge sprang up, and the geese flocked to these areas to feed on the succulent foods."

(Cameron Pilot, April 22, 1971) TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

25TH ANNIVERSARY
The annual meeting of the Cameron Parish Teacher's Association Friday, April 16, was dedicated to the charter members of the Association since this meeting marked the Silver Anniversary of the group.

All charter members had been invited to the meeting and those attending were: Mrs. Annie Mae (Richard) Sanner, Mrs. Elma (Richard) Vincent, Mrs. J. N. Micklewait, Mrs. J. W. Broussard, Mrs. G. J. Guathier, Mrs. L. B. (Welch) Davis, Miss Nona Welch, and Mrs. Bruce Vincent.

Don Broussard traced the growth of the association from 18 members to its present status on 127 members. Retiring Supt. W. J. Montie described the changes in the educational system of the parish in these 25 years.

A choir, consisting of teachers of the parish, dedicated "Silver Threads Among the Gold" to the charter members and the hymn "How Great Thou Art" to the deceased charter members: Miss Oma Miller, Archie Hollister and Roy Ducote.

Mrs. Betty McCall presented the following retired members of the association with plaques: Supt. W. J. Montie, Mrs. Rosa Yellott, Mrs. Leona O'Connor, and Adam Thibodaux.

President Robert Manuel informed the members that the LTA will in 1972 pay all of the premiums on teacher's liability for those who are paid members on the LTA.

EASTER SEAL DRIVE A SUCCESS

E. J. Dronet, chairman of the Cameron Parish Easter Seal campaign, presented a check for \$1,853.84, the proceeds from the 1971 Cameron Parish drive, to Vernon E. Keating, president of the Easter Seal Society from Lake Charles.

Keating presented a plaque to Dronet for exceeding the parish goal and in appreciation for the outstanding success of the Cameron campaign.

Area chairman were: Mrs. Braxton Blake, Chairman; Mrs. Marie Johnson, Hackberry; Mrs. Guthrie Perry, Grand Chenier; Mrs. Wilton Young, Sweetlake; Mrs. John Prescott, Johnson Bayou; Mrs. Ted Askew, Grand Lake; Mrs. Robert Ortego, Creole; and Mrs. W. R. Smith, schools.

FLAGS IN FULL BLOOM

By GENEVA GRIFFITH

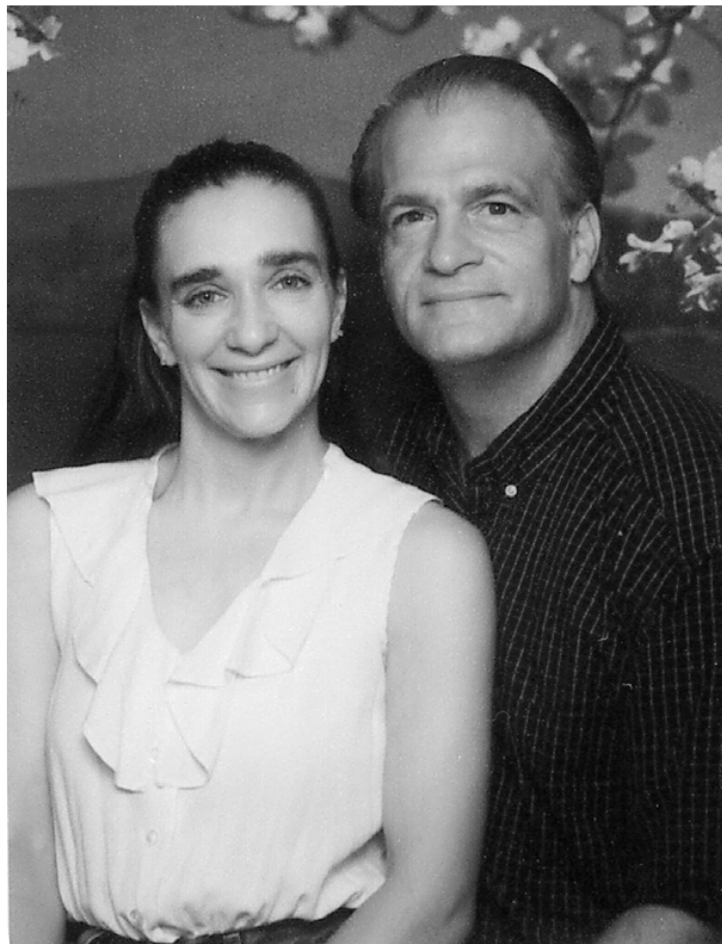
The season of the "Flags" is upon Cameron Parish. The beautiful iris, sometimes called "flags," are growing in wild profusion all over the vast sea marshes and in the roadside ditches in the southern part of the parish.

Garden clubs and flower connoisseurs from all over the state make annual pilgrimages to the area to view the breathtaking display of lavender blooms.

No one seems to know how the wild iris was introduced into the parish. They have been growing wild as long as anyone can remember. They, like the lovely wild lotus, seem to thrive on the damp floating turf of the sea marsh.

There are several thousand named varieties of iris in variations of colors. They have been long established as the most common of hardy flowers in the south.

The wild iris, which is usually the lavender color, can be easily transplanted into the home garden because they are easily grown and require little care. They are also very hardy plants and seem to be very resistant to disease. This is probably due to the fact they have become acclimated to the area over many years of growth.



THE WEDDING of Jim Wells and Dawn L. Nolan of Hackberry will be held at 12 noon Sunday, May 2 at the Hackberry Pentecostal Church.

GOOD GROOMING WINNERS

Winners were announced in the first annual Cameron Parish 4-H Club good grooming contest and tea held Friday afternoon in the meeting room of the parish courthouse.

Winners in the senior contest were: David Duhon, Grand Lake, 1st, and South Cameron, 2nd, in the boys division, and Gwen Reasoner, Hackberry, 1st, Laura Lynn Hebert, Grand Lake, 2nd, and RoRisa Reina,

South Cameron, 3rd place in the girls division.

Winners in the junior contest were: Leslie Prescott, Johnson Bayou, 1st; and Patrick Primeaux, South Cameron, 2nd; Susan Howerton, Grand Chenier, 1st; Cheryl Schexnider, Hackberry, 2nd; and Pam Dixon, Grand Lake, 3rd.

Judges of the contest were: Mrs. Don Criglow, Mrs. Ward Fontenot, E. J. Dronet and Eddie Jo Conner.

Cameron Parish Library News

MEMORIAL BOOKS

New memorial books at the Cameron Parish Library include:

Quilting Made Easy, Theresa Mudd by Jerry and Margaret Savoie;

Antiques Roadshow Collectibles, Glyn Allen Taylor by Jerry and Margaret Savoie;

Ducks & Geese, Nolan Savoie by Jerry and Margaret Savoie;

The Shrimp Cookbook, Joseph "Bubba" Higgins, Jr. by Gloria Kelley;

Wrestling Drill Book, Roland (T-Bolo) Trosclair by Mrs. Lionel (Emma Lou) Theriot;

Football Drill Book, Roland (T-Bolo) Trosclair by Dorothy Collins and Milton and Chuck;

Bay Shrimpers of Texas, Captain "Bubba" Higgins by Buddy and Dru Aubey;

Nets & Doors, T-Bolo Trosclair by Henry "T-Boy" McCall;

110 Poems of Love & Revelation, Olga Louise

"Butsey" Carter by Thomas and Barbara Lemaire;

Texas Shrimpers, Roland "T-Bolo" Trosclair by Gloria Kelley;

Jewelry, Annie Theriot Guilbeaux by Sue Theriot.

NEW NOVELS

Between Hell and Texas, Ralph W. Cotton; Jury of One, David Ellis; Shadow Men, Jonathon King; Can You Keep a Secret?, Sophie Kinsella; Glorious Appearing, Tim F. LaHaye; Homeland, R. A. Salvatore;

Black Creek Crossing, John Saul; Ransom, Danielle Steele; Don't Go Home, Janelle Taylor; Out of the Darkness, Harry Turtledove; Time of the Twins, Margaret Weis.



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Since 85, 72, and 76 they be,
To each a Happy Birthday
Say we.
Love, Sue and John Calzada
April, 2004

LEGAL NOTICE

Crawfish farmers and landowners could get payments from a \$45 million class action settlement.

A settlement has been reached in the class action lawsuit about whether rice seed treated with the pesticide ICON damaged crawfish crops and contaminated property in Louisiana. The \$45 million settlement fund will pay valid claims as well as lawyers' fees and costs.

The 27th Judicial District Court of Louisiana, St. Landry Parish, will have a hearing to decide whether to give final approval to the settlement so that a claims process can begin, and payments can be made. Those included in the class action, together called a "Class," may object to the settlement, or ask to speak at the hearing. There is a detailed notice available by calling toll free or going to the website below.

Who's INCLUDED?

Generally, the Class includes people and legal entities in Louisiana who, since January 1999, claim their crawfish crops were damaged by exposure to ICON, and who either: 1) bought ICON-treated seed for rice farming; 2) farmed crawfish, including those who did not buy rice seed themselves; or 3) participated in a crawfish farming sharecropping arrangement. Note that you are included if you claim that water from a rice field—"tailwater"—caused you crawfish losses downstream. Also, you're included if you leased your land to a crawfish farmer who had a loss. The detailed notice says exactly who is included.

WHAT DOES THE SETTLEMENT PROVIDE?

A \$45 million fund will be established by the successors to ICON's maker Rhone-Poulenc Ag Co., Inc., and their insurer, to be overseen by an independent "Special Master." A Settlement Agreement, available at the website or by calling toll free, describes all of the details about the proposed settlement. The Court did not decide that the defendants did anything wrong, but they agreed to resolve the case and give benefits to the Class. The settlement does not mean they admit any wrongdoing.

HOW MUCH COULD YOU GET?

If the settlement receives final Court approval, the Special Master will review claims from Class members and decide how to allocate the money to each valid claimant. The amount of each payment will be based in part on the total number of claims received, and possibly on the amount of land you owned or farmed crawfish on.

HOW DO YOU ASK FOR A PAYMENT?

Details about how to ask for a payment will be decided once the settlement receives final approval. If you would like to be notified about how to ask for a payment, fill out and send in the form below. If the settlement receives final approval, a location will be set up where Class members can file their claims. The Special Master will decide exactly what you will need to provide to prove your claim and receive a payment.

WHAT ARE YOUR OTHER OPTIONS?

You may object to the settlement by **May 14, 2004**. The detailed notice explains how to object. The Court will hold a hearing on **May 17, 2004**, to consider whether to approve the settlement and a request by the lawyers representing the Class for attorneys' fees of up to 40% of the fund, plus costs of up to 8% of the fund, which would be deducted from the settlement fund. You may ask to appear at the hearing, but you don't have to. If the settlement is approved, all defendants, and other entities named in the detailed notice, will be released from all liability for the claims in the case—including claims for contaminated land—and you won't be able to sue them, or continue to sue them, for those claims. The Settlement Agreement and detailed notice explain this fully.

For more information on the case (*West, et al. v. G&H Seed Co. and Rhone-Poulenc Ag Co., Inc., et al.*, No. 99-C-4984-A), call toll free, visit the website, or write to Patrick C. Morrow, Attn: Crawfish Case, Morrow & Morrow, P.O. Drawer 1787, Opelousas, LA 70571.

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FOUR PERSONS who were instrumental in recovering records of the Gulf Biologic Station at Cameron are shown with a plaque put in place at the site Tuesday. From left are former State Representative Conway LeBleu, Michael Tritico, Bobby Sherman, and Lee Sherman. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

Cameron Outdoors

By LOSTON MCEVERS



FISHING IS GOOD

This past week was a beautiful week, as weather was perfect for all outdoor outings.

Bass anglers as well as white perch, bream and goggle-eye fishermen had good catches in the Big Burn's marshes and other marshes of the parish.

There were good redfish caught at Lambert Bayou Weirs and trout in Big Lake. The Mermentau River is producing redfish as well as Rockefeller Refuge. Many folks are crabbing and doing well.

The Creole Nature Trail has really brought many visitors to our parish. Many of them enjoying crabbing and fishing along the nature trail

highways, while taking advantage of our state and national refuges.

FRIENDLY BAITS

The maker of biodegradable lures are doing backflips because anglers have accepted these new baits. First, last year we saw plastic worms that stretched from seven inches to 20 plus inches and didn't break. You could catch fish over and over with the same plastic worm. This one worm would take the place of ten regular ones. I think they're too tough, but selling anyway.

The new biodegradable lures consist of corn syrup, gelatin, ground-up minnow

and other secret ingredients, which are all edible. There's even garlic and crawfish scent added.

These products will also prevent pollution as they dissolve in water within three weeks, if they're not eaten first. They breakdown in the sun if left on the ground or boat docks. It will also dissolve in the stomach of the fish, where plastic worms don't.

SENATE BILLS

Baton Rouge lawmakers are in full swing and there are many bills that could affect our hunting and fishing. Here are some:

Creates a constitutional amendment to preserve the freedom to hunt, fish and trap; Authorizes the Secretary of LDWF to have materials printed to promote hunting and fishing; Create a \$50 senior lifetime hunting and fishing license for residents 60 years of age or older (who turned 60 by June 2000); Create a \$10 senior commercial fisherman's license in place of the \$55 license, for people who are 70 years old or older and with license, the holder will not have to purchase a commercial gear license; Designates "St. Mary Parish as the Bass Fishing Capital of the world." We'll take up where we left off next week.

CALENDAR

April 25 - Lemesche Bass Club tournament - Amoco - Sunrise to 3 p.m.

April 26 - Lacassine Refuge Impoundment opens.

April 26 - Gibbstown Dogfights - 5:30 p.m.

May 8 - Dinegy's 2nd annual Speck and Redfish Shootout Clifton "BoBo" Morris benefit - Crain Brothers Ranch.

FISHING TIMES

Friday, April 23, best, 2:30 p.m.; good, 8:30 a.m.

Saturday, April 24, best, 3:30 p.m.; good, 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, April 25, best, 4:30 p.m.; good, 10:30 a.m.

Monday, April 26, best, 5:30 p.m.; good, 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday, April 27, best, 6 a.m., 6:30 p.m.; good, 12:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 28, best, 7 a.m., 7 p.m.; good, 1 p.m.

Thursday, April 29, best, 7:30 a.m., 7:30 p.m.; good, 1:30 p.m.

Two parish fishermen are winners

Cameron Parish was well represented at the Texas Oilmen Bass Invitational Tournament on Toledo Bend this month. The two day event had 600 boats entered, fishing out of Big Bass Marina.

Darren Thibodeaux and Dandy Demary, from Creole and Grand Lake, had two days of five bass stringers. Their first day, they had 22.47 pounds with a 4 and 5 pounder and Darren's Big Bass of the Day weighing in at 10.22 pounds, plus two other bass. This put them in second place for the first day. This gave them \$1,500 for the Big Bass and \$1,000 for the stringer.

Their second day with five bass, their weight was 15.70 pounds placing 12th, good for \$300. Their second place overall for the two day event gave them another \$1,000, for a grand total of \$3,800.

Their large bass was released and Darren will get a free replica. He also received a trophy. They were fishing out of Haussen Bay, on the Texas side of the lake.

Spring Fling at J. Bayou

The Johnson Bayou Athletic Association will have a Spring Fling on Saturday, April 24, from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the school cafeteria, shop and outside pavilion.

There will be silent and live auctions, raffles, door prizes, cake walk, country store, games, and food. Games will include football and basketball throw, duck pond, free throw, ping pong toss, and ring toss.

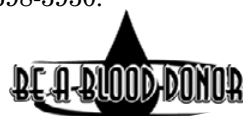
Pork jambalaya, cold drinks, and snacks will be sold. Call 569-2138 with any questions, to volunteer, or make donations.

Grand Lake Art Show

The Grand Lake Branch of the Cameron Parish Library will host an art display by various Grand Lake High School artists/students on Thursday, April 22. Susan Arnold, art instructor at Grand Lake High School will put her student's work on display at the branch library for viewing at the library's open house scheduled to start at noon on that day.

There will be a reception to meet the artists beginning at 5:00 that evening.

For more information please call the Grand Lake Library manager, Kim Poole, at 598-5950.



School lunch menus told

Lunch menus for Cameron Parish are as follows:

Thursday, Apr. 22 - Beef nachos, tomato cup, ranch bean, hash brown patty, cinnamon roll, and catsup.

Friday, Apr. 23 - Baked ham, lettuce cup, cheese potato casserole, applesauce cup, and sliced bread.

Monday, Apr. 26 - Chili Frito pie, fresh vegetable cup, hash brown patty, peach cob-

bler, cheese toast, and catsup.

Tuesday, Apr. 27 - Enchilada casserole, tossed salad, baked potato, chocolate layered dessert, salad dressing, and sliced bread.

Wednesday, Apr. 28 - Smoked brisket sandwich, oven fries, corn on cob, strawberry jello cake, hamburger bun, and catsup.

All meals served with milk.

New project manager named for area wildlife refuges

Donald J. Voros, a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service veteran for more than 26 years, has been selected as the new project manager of the Southwest Louisiana National Wildlife Refuge Complex in Cameron and Vermilion Parishes.

The new complex combines Sabine, Lacassine and Cameron Prairie National Wildlife Refuges, with the headquarters at Cameron Prairie near Sweetlake. In his new position, Voros will also maintain administrative coordination with the State's Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge. Collectively, these four refuges contain some of the most valuable and complex wetlands in the nation.

"Don brings years of experience and talent, as a field person and an administrator, to his new position as manager of three Louisiana refuges. He has worked at several Southeastern refuges, and we're excited to welcome him back to our region," said Sam D. Hamilton, Southeast Regional Director.

Voros began his new position on April 4, 2004.

Previously, he was stationed in the Service's Pacific Regional Office in Portland, Oregon, and he served as the Columbia Basin National Wildlife Refuge Supervisor with oversight responsibilities for all National Wildlife Refuges in eastern Washington and Oregon, the State of Idaho, and northern Nevada.

For more than 13 years, Voros worked as a refuge officer or manager at Swanquarter, Mattmuskeet, and Cedar Island National Wildlife Refuges in North Carolina; Catahoula National Wildlife Refuge in Louisiana; Santee National Wildlife Refuge in South Carolina;

Okefenokee and Banks Lake National Wildlife Refuges in Georgia and Florida; and Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in Alaska.

He has also been an administrator for over 13 years. In addition to his most recent position as Columbia Basin National Wildlife Refuge Supervisor, he has served as Deputy Assistant Regional Director for the Federal Subsistence Program in Anchorage, Alaska, and as Chief of the Branch of Wildlife Management for the National Wildlife Refuge System, Washington, D.C.

Voros and his wife Danny Lynn are no strangers to the Southeast. They were married in Jena, Louisiana 22 years ago while Don was serving as a Refuge Manager at Catahoula National Wildlife Refuge. They are excited to return to the south, particularly Louisiana, with their daughter Vanessa and son Vincent.

Voros graduated from Ohio State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Natural Resources, majoring in Wildlife Management. He also achieved an Associates Degree majoring in chemistry from Cuyahoga Community College in Cleveland Ohio. For more than three years, he served in the United States Army Special Forces (Green Berets) as an engineer.



— JOB AD —

Grand Lake Recreation District No. 5 is taking applications for summer help; assistant pool director and lifeguards.

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GARAGE SALE

SPRING CLEANING Sale, Saturday, April 24th, at the FaithShare Outreach in Sweet Lake. This is our 25¢ Sale and will be from 7 a.m. - noon. We are located at 1827 Hwy. 384, 3 miles east of Grand Lake School, (the building with the red doors). Clothes, toys, kitchen items and much, much more. Rain or shine. 4/14-22p.

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Get it growing

By Dan Gill
LSU AgCenter
Horticulturist

It's hard to imagine a more delightful perennial than the daylily. Available in an amazing variety of colors, shapes and sizes, there are daylilies to fit virtually every taste and garden situation.

Daylilies are coming into bloom now, and gardeners would be hard pressed to find a plant that provides so many colorful flowers for so little effort.

Although it's not a true lily, the daylily is a member of the lily family. Its botanical name, *Hemerocallis*, is derived from two Greek words meaning "day" and "beauty" and refers to the fact that daylily flowers last only a day before they fade. This might seem to be a major flaw, but these plants produce so many flowers over an extended period, you hardly notice that each one lasts such a brief time.

Breeders have developed the daylily into an incredibly diverse plant. With careful cultivar selection, you can have daylilies in bloom from late spring to early fall. The heights of various cultivars range from 8 inches to several feet (including the flower scapes), and the diameters of the blooms may vary from 2[inches to as large as 8-9 inches. And the flowers come in a multitude of color combinations including yellow, orange, rose, burgundy, purple, pink, cream, lavender, red and many others.

Daylilies have three types of foliage habit. Dormant daylilies lose their foliage completely during the winter. Then new foliage appears in the spring. Evergreen daylilies retain their foliage throughout the year. And semi-evergreen daylilies' foliage dies part way back in the winter but begins to grow again after a brief rest. Gardeners in our area should grow evergreen or semi-evergreen types.

Most daylilies bloom best in full sun. They will tolerate partial shade but require at least 6 hours of direct sun each day for best results. Light yellow varieties, many shades of pink and other delicate pastels need full sun to bring out the colorings, while deeper colors may benefit from shade in the hottest part of the day.

Any good garden soil is fine for growing daylilies. They thrive in a variety of soils, ranging from light sandy types to heavy clays. To get any soil in good physical condition, dig it deeply and work in generous amounts of organic matter such as well-rotted manure, compost or peat moss. This organic matter makes the soil easier to work and helps retain soil moisture. It also acts as a storehouse for plant nutrients. For best performance, plant daylilies in well-drained soil.

Early spring or late fall are the most desirable planting times, but well-established plants grown in containers and bought locally can be planted virtually anytime. Space daylilies 18 to 24 inches apart. Some varieties multiply fast, and the clumps will become crowded if planted too close to each other.

Although daylilies generally don't need to be pampered, an adequate supply of water will ensure peak performance, especially the first year after planting. During the summer, plantings should be watered once or twice a week when weather is hot and dry. Water deeply, soaking the soil to a depth of 6-8 inches, and water each week when there is not at least 1 inch of rainfall. A 2-inch mulch of leaves or pine straw will help conserve moisture and reduce weed problems.

A single application of a complete fertilizer in March generally is adequate, although a second application could be made in June. Use any general-purpose fertilizer. A final application can be made in early fall because a new surge of growth occurs at that time on many cultivars. Keep the fertilizer off the foliage, and water it into the soil after applying.

Aphids are the most serious insect pest of daylilies. They are most common in the late winter and early spring and cause the leaves and flowers to be unhealthy and deformed. Treatment with acephate is effective if the infestation is severe enough to warrant it.

You also need to be aware of a new fungus disease called daylily rust that is causing concern. Daylily rust was first reported in the southeastern

United States in 2000 and has spread rapidly to many states, including Louisiana. The disease causes the foliage to yellow and brown.

If you turn over a leaf infected with daylily rust, you will see orange raised spots on the back of the leaf. The rusty orange spores will rub off on your finger. Susceptibility of daylily cultivars to this disease varies. Some are very susceptible, and others seem fairly resistant. Gardeners have the choice of eliminating the very susceptible cultivars, which show the worst symptoms, and retaining those that don't seem to be bothered as much by the disease.

Should a gardener decide to treat the disease, an infected plant should be cut down to within an inch of the ground. Then that plant and all the plants around it should be sprayed regularly with a fungicide.

Recommended fungicides include mancozeb (Dithane, Fore), chlorothalonil (Daconil), azoxystrobin (Heritage), propiconizol (Banner Maxx) and triadimefon. Applications may need to be repeated as often as every seven days to 14 days, and, as always, follow product label instructions carefully.

It is likely that the best solution to this problem will be to use existing cultivars and develop new ones that are resistant to the disease. More information on daylily rust can be found on the Internet at www.daylilies.org/ahs_dictionary/daylily_rust.html.

Get It Growing is a weekly feature on home lawn and garden topics prepared by experts in the LSU AgCenter. For more information on such topics, contact your parish LSU AgCenter Extension office or visit our Web site at www.lsuagcenter.com. A wide range of publications and a variety of other resources are available.



South Cameron High School News

LIBRARY NEWS

Memorial book, Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association Media Guide 2004 in memory of Billy and Josie Duhon by Terrance, Crystal, Dusty, Pooter and Ty Savoie.

Memorial book, The Finals A Complete History of the National Finals Rodeo, in memory of Billy Duhon by Scott "Pooter" Savoie.

Memorial book The Diabetic Four Ingredient Cookbook, in memory of Allie Lillia Murphy by Terrance, Crystal, Dusty, Pooter and Ty Savoie.

JR./SR. PROM

The prom will be held April 24. Pictures will be taken from 3 to 7 p.m. The dance will be from 8 p.m. until midnight. Admission to the dance is free. Senior Prom King and Queen, along with a Junior Prince and Princess, will be crowned during the dance. Many door prizes will be presented throughout the night.

Senior and Junior parents are asked to provide refreshments for the prom. Please contact Kellie McKoin for more information.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Seniors need to see Mr. Broussard for the following scholarship applications:

Sturlese scholarship Evans P. Mhire K.C. scholarship, Lions Club scholarship, VASTAR scholarship, and Computer One Scholarship.

CALENDAR

April 22 - baseball, Merryville (away).
April 23 - softball playoff game 5 p.m., Catholic P.C. (home).
April 24 - Jr/Sr prom.
April 26 -May 7 - Book Fair, SCHS library, 8:15-3:15 p.m. Public is invited.
April 27 - Regional Track Meet (DeRidder).
April 29 - Jr/Sr 4-H meeting.

How to get more exercise

Although exercise offers numerous health benefits, finding the time presents a challenge for many. It is important to incorporate flexibility into your exercise regime. Use the following at-work or at-home exercise tips for real people with real schedules:

Parking - Always trying to find the closest spot to your office? Next time, park a little further away to get some cardio into your day.

Stairs - Skip the elevator ride and take the stairs. If the stairs become too much, head to the nearest elevator for a cool down.

Take a walk - Instead of calling your co-worker to get the answer to that burning question, take a walk over...and go the long way.

Clean and lift - If you are spending the day at home and have numerous chores, put on some leg weights and get moving. It's a great way to incorporate weight training into your hectic day.

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PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF POTENTIAL CONVERSION OF FLOODPLAINS AND NOTICE OF THE AVAILABILITY OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

The USDA Rural Utilities Service has received a request for financial assistance from Cameron Parish Water Works District No. 7, 132 Raymond Richard Road, Creole, LA 70632 in Cameron Parish, Louisiana. The purpose of this request is to use remaining funds to assist in a project funded through the LDA Community Block Grant program. As required by the National Environmental Policy Act, the Rural Utilities Service has prepared an Environmental Assessment to evaluate the potential environmental effect and consequences of the proposed project.

The proposed project will provide improved water and fire protection services to customers of Cameron Parish Water Works District No. 7 located in Cameron Parish, Louisiana. Specific proposed project components include the installation of a new 500 gallon per minute (gpm) water well and the construction of a 100,000 gallon elevated water storage tank. The proposed well and elevated storage tank are located on the same site that is located at the east end of Parish Road 365 approximately 1.25 miles east of the intersection of LA 27/82 and Parish Road 357. If implemented the proposed project will convert less approximately one acre of the FEMA designated 100-year floodplain at the sites identified above.

The purpose of this Notice is three-fold: (1) to announce the availability of the Environmental Assessment for public review and comment; (2) To inform the public of this proposed impact or conversion of the 100-year floodplain and request comments concerning the proposed project, alternative sites or actions that would avoid these impacts, and methods that could be utilized to minimize these impacts; and (3) to seek the public's opinion on the presence of any historic property or archaeological sites that might be adversely affected by this proposed action, and on ways to avoid or resolve such effects.

The environmental documentation regarding this proposed project is available for review at the Rural Utilities Service located in the USDA Service Center, 905 Jefferson Street, Suite 320, Lafayette, LA 70501-7913. For further information interested parties may contact Mr. Gerard Labat, Rural Development Specialist, Rural Utilities Service by telephone at (337) 262-6610.

Any person interested in commenting on this proposed project should submit comments to the address listed above by May 24, 2004.

A general location map of the proposed water system service area is available for review at the Rural Utilities Service office depicted above.

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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, June 8, 2004 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. 36307 through 36407, inclusive) to be advertised publicly on **Wednesday, June 9, 2004**, 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 whether said lease is an inland or offshore lease and the 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 bid and any bids containing an annual delay rental of less than one-half (1/2) of the Cash Payment bonus shall be increased to the one-half (1/2) amount. Any lease granted shall be without warranty or any recourse whatsoever, either express or implied, against Lessor with regard to questions of title, not even for the return by Lessor 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 or gas** and saved or utilized. Rights to geothermal 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 notified 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 8 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 \$10 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 \$15 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 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 original bid 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 **Twenty (20) days** after the Cash Payment bonus shall be submitted with and accompany each bid, and no bid, once submitted, may be thereafter withdrawn or canceled. Once the bid is 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: Under rules promulgated by the Department of Natural Resources in accordance with authority granted by Act 13 of the First Extraordinary Session of the Louisiana Legislature of 1988, a fee equal to ten percent (10%) of the **Proposed Minimum bid 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 use a regular check for the 10% fee.** The amount of the fee shall be received 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 of named Lessees on the lease instrument), within **TWENTY (20) DAYS** of receipt of 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 particularly described portion of the land advertised, but consistent with 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 relationship 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 (promulgated in LSA-R.S. 49:213) and 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.

The descriptions of **Tract Nos. 36307 through 36407, inclusive** will be published in the **Ratining of April 21, 2004** in "The Advocate," which is the Official Journal of the State of Louisiana and also in the Official Journal of the Parishes in which the property is located.

NOTE: All bids shall specify the Cash Payment bonus for leases as a

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 authorized bid form 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 received in 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 considerations and what, in the sole discretion of the Mineral Board, is the best offer 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" 's 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 his portion bid acreage not overlapping "Bid A" 's bid portion, at "Bid B" 's per acre bid price (both as to bonus and rental); and thereafter, each successive bidder whose bid is otherwise acceptable will be given the option to take a lease on the remaining portion 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.

INLAND TRACTS (Tract Nos. 36307 through 36396 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 of this kind, in whole or in part, shall be null and void and the primary term changed to three (3) years at the sole discretion of the State Mineral Board.

TRACT 36334 - 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 on June 9, 2004, situated in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point having Coordinates of X = 1,210.470.51 and Y = 458,500.00; thence West 8,999.82 feet to a point on the Texas Louisiana boundary having Coordinates of X = 1,210,470.51 and Y = 458,500.00; thence along said Texas Louisiana boundary North 31 degrees 07 minutes 12 seconds East 2,669.12 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,211,858.00 and Y = 460,785.00; thence along said Texas Louisiana boundary North 21 degrees 41 minutes 29 seconds East 1,403.99 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,212,368.92 and Y = 462,089.57; thence East 7,101.41 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,219,470.33 and Y = 462,089.57; thence South 3,589.57 feet to the point of beginning, containing approximately 657.30 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.

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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 or hinder the reasonable surface use by the Department of Natural Resources, its Offices or Commissions, as herein above reserved.

TRACT 36337 - 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 on June 9, 2004, situated in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point having Coordinates of X = 1,217,030.51 and Y = 454,564.00; thence West 9,362.95 feet to a point on the Texas Louisiana boundary having Coordinates of X = 1,207,667.56 and Y = 454,564.00; thence North 36 degrees 44 minutes 14 seconds East 3,732.27 feet along said Texas Louisiana boundary to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,209,000.00 and Y = 457,555.00; thence North 31 degrees 07 minutes 12 seconds East 1,103.86 feet along said Texas Louisiana boundary to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,210,470.51 and Y = 458,500.00; thence East 6,560.00 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,217,030.51 and Y = 458,500.00; thence South 3,936.00 feet to the point of beginning, containing approximately 714.76 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.

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TRACT 36338 - 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 on June 9, 2004, situated in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point having Coordinates of X = 1,230.51 and Y = 454,564.00; thence North 3,936.00 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,217,030.51 and Y = 458,500.00; thence East 8,858.00 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,225,888.51 and Y = 458,500.00; thence South 3,936.00 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,225,888.5 and Y = 454,564.00; thence West 8,858.00 feet to the point of beginning, containing approximately 800.39 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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TRACT 36339 - 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 on June 9, 2004, situated in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point having Coordinates of X = 1,214,884.56 and Y = 454,564.00; thence South 3,936.00 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,214,884.56 and Y = 450,628.00; thence West 9,117.19 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,205,767.37 and Y = 450,628.00; thence North 35 degrees 51 minutes 28 seconds East 175.21 feet along said Texas Louisiana boundary to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,205,870.00 and Y = 450,770.00; thence North 24 degrees 40 minutes 16 seconds East 3,964.93 feet along said Texas Louisiana boundary line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,207,525.00 and Y = 454,373.00; thence North 36 degrees 44 minutes 14 seconds East 238.34 feet along said Texas Louisiana boundary line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,207,667.56 and Y = 454,564.00; thence East 7,217.00 feet to the point of beginning, containing approximately 738.69 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.

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under this lease by the mineral lessee, its agents, successors or assigns, shall not interfere with or hinder the reasonable surface use by the Department of Natural Resources, its Offices or Commissions, as herein above reserved.

TRACT 36340 - 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 on June 9, 2004, situated in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point having Coordinates of X = 1,223,084.56 and Y = 450,628.00; thence West 9,117.19 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,214,884.56 and Y = 450,628.00; thence North 3,936.00 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,214,884.56 and Y = 454,564.00; thence South 3,936.00 feet to the point of beginning, containing approximately 740.93 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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TRACT 36344 - 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 on June 9, 2004, situated in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point having Coordinates of X = 1,212,327.37 and Y = 447,645.00; thence West 10,815.47 feet to a point on the Texas Louisiana boundary line having Coordinates of X = 1,201,511.90 and Y = 447,645.00; thence North 56 degrees 32 minutes 33 seconds East 81.62 feet along said Texas Louisiana boundary line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,201,580.00 and Y = 447,690.00; thence North 65 degrees 25 minutes 23 seconds East 3,390.13 feet along said Texas Louisiana boundary line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,204,663.00 and Y = 449,100.00; thence North 35 degrees 51 minutes 28 seconds East 1,885.32 feet along said Texas Louisiana boundary line to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,205,767.37 and Y = 450,628.00; thence East 6,560.00 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,212,327.37 and Y = 450,628.00; thence South 2,983.00 feet to the point of beginning, containing approximately 558.60 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.

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TRACT 36345 - Cameron Parish, Louisiana
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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 or hinder the reasonable surface use by the Department of Natural Resources, its Offices or Commissions, as herein above reserved.

ROCKEFELLER TRACTS (Tract Nos. 36401 through 36404 inclusive, herein) ARE THOSE TRACTS IN WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS UNDER JURISDICTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES. The maximum primary term of any lease on a Wildlife Management Area shall be **three (3) years** and any operations conducted under the authority of a State mineral lease, including, but not limited to, the exploration, drilling, production, and marketing of hydrocarbons on any Wildlife Management area under the jurisdiction of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries shall be subject to and governed by the rules and regulations promulgated by the said Department of Wildlife and Fisheries for each respective Wildlife Management area, copies of which rules and regulations are located at and may be obtained from the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

TRACT 36401 - Cameron Parish, Louisiana
A portion of all State owned lands, including high and marsh lands and land now or formerly constituting the beds and bottoms of any water body, within the boundaries of the Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge and Game Preserve, not presently under mineral lease by the State of Louisiana on June 9, 2004, situated in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, and described as follows: Beginning at a point having Coordinates of X = 1,545,383.46 and Y = 353,874.37; thence North 00 degrees 41 minutes 55 seconds East 10,560.91 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,545,512.23 and Y = 364,434.49; thence South 89 degrees 16 minutes 14 seconds East 6,522.51 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,544,874.95 and Y = 364,326.01; thence along the Western boundary of said State Lease No. 2340 the following courses: South 20 degrees 28 minutes 20 seconds West 454.74 feet, South 10 degrees 27 minutes 55 seconds West 798.28 feet, South 05 degrees 23 minutes 09 seconds East 793.53 feet, South 01 degrees 04 minutes 27 seconds West 800.14 feet, South 00 degrees 17 minutes 11 seconds West 1,000.01 feet, South 01 degrees 25 minutes 56 seconds West 564.10 feet, South 33 degrees 25 minutes 29 seconds West 564.44 feet, South 29 degrees 19 minutes 55 seconds West 602.20 feet, South 23 degrees 26 minutes 52 seconds East 601.66 feet, South 15 degrees 48 minutes 43 seconds East 998.65 feet, South 04 degrees 56 minutes 36 seconds East 999.52 feet and South 47 degrees 13 minutes 33 seconds East 322.49 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,554,761.72 and Y = 353,756.00; thence North 89 degrees 16 minutes 37 seconds West 9,379.01 feet to the point of beginning, containing approximately 1,022.17 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, (South Zone).

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NOTE: The Office of Mineral Resources will require a minimum bonus of \$350 per acre and a minimum royalty of 25%.

NOTE: The mineral lease is located in the Rockefeller Wildlife Refuge under the jurisdiction of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries which has promulgated rules and regulations for the protection of game and wildlife on the aforesaid Tract and, therefore, shall be subject to said rules and regulations, a copy of which shall be attached to the mineral lease awarding the lease to the Lessee.

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ond by Kris Bonsall, and carried, the board appropriates \$6,000 to do work and purchase materials necessary to repair roof and fence around pool.

On motion of Yolanda Clark, second by Kris Bonsall, and carried, the board adopted the following office procedures:

- 1.) Manager will perform check writing duties.
- 2.) Two signatures will be required on all checks.
- 3.) All mail will be forwarded to the recreation center address.
- 4.) Manager will acquire a lock box to safe keep recreation financial records.
- 5.) Open purchasing accounts with area vendors.
- 6.) Authorize manager to purchase necessary office equipment with board approval.

On motion of Butch Conner, second by Kris Bonsall, and carried, the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST:
/s/ Darrell Williams
BOARD MEMBER:
/s/ Thomas McCall
RUN: 4/22 (A-52)

NOTICE

At a meeting held April 14, 2004, Cameron Parish Recreation District No. 9 has declared an emergency, in accordance with the state bid law, and is contracting Sabine Pools, at the cost of \$16,500, to do the needed repairs on a major leak in the recreation center swimming pool, which is causing extensive property damage, without going through the sealed bid process.
RUN: April 22 (A 53)

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Northwest Johnsons Bayou Field
04-479

LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1st Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m., on TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2004, upon the application of DUNCAN OIL, INC.

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Thanksgiving Zone, Reservoir B, in the Northwest Johnsons Bayou Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

1. To create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 62 acres for the Thanksgiving Zone, Reservoir B, designated as the Thanksgiving RB SUA, all as shown more particularly on the plat submitted with the application.
2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the said unit.
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
4. To designate a unit operator and a unit well for the unit created herein.
5. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Thanksgiving Zone, Reservoir B, in the Northwest Johnsons Bayou Field, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the measured depths of 9,005' (-8945' subsea) and 9,429' (-9347' subsea) (ELM) in the Duncan oil, Inc. - Domatti et al. No 1 Well, located in Section 8, Township 15 South, Range 14 West.

A plat is available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in Baton Rouge and Lafayette, Louisiana. www.dnr.state.la.us/CONS/CONSEREN/hearings/pubhearings.htm

All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof. BY ORDER OF: JAMES H. WELSH COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION
Baton Rouge, La. 4/15/04; 4/10/04 L dpe

If accommodations are required under Americans With Disabilities Act, please advise the Office of Conservation-Engineering Division at P.O. Box 94275, Baton Rouge, La. 70804-9275 in writing within ten (10) working days of the hearing date.
RUN: 4/22 (A-55)

LEGAL NOTICES

PROCEEDINGS

A regular monthly meeting for Cameron Parish Waterworks District #2 was held on Wednesday, February 04, 2004 at the Waterworks office at Hackberry, Louisiana at 7:00 p.m. Members present were: Mr. Alton Schexnider, Mr. Donald Broussard, Mr. Richard Erickson, and Mr. Anthony Hicks. Member absent: Mr. Darrell Duhon. Employees present: Mr. Jackie LaBauve, Mr. Kelly Cloud, and Mrs. Marilyn LaBauve. Guest: None. Mr. Schexnider opened the meeting.

Mr. Broussard moved, Mr. Hicks seconded, and carried to adopt the minutes from the previous meeting.

Mr. Hicks moved, Mr. Erickson seconded, and carried to pay Janco \$2900.00 to clean storage tanks at Well Site #2 instead of \$2000.00.

Mr. Hicks moved, Mr. Broussard seconded, and carried to adopt an addendum to the property insurance.

Mr. Erickson moved, Mr. Hicks seconded, and carried to pay all bills.

Mr. Broussard moved, Mr. Hicks seconded, and carried to adjourn the meeting.

APPROVED: /s/ Alton Schexnider
ALTON SCHEXNIDER, PRESIDENT

ATTEST: /s/ Richard Erickson
RICHARD ERICKSON, SEC/TREA
RUN: April 22 (A 33)

PROCEEDINGS

A regular monthly meeting for Cameron Parish Waterworks District #2 was held on Wednesday, March 10, 2004 at the Waterworks office in Hackberry, Louisiana at 7:00 p.m.

Members present were: Mr. Alton Schexnider, Mr. Donald Broussard, Mr. Anthony Hicks, and Mr. Richard Erickson. Member absent: Mr. Darrell Duhon. Employees present were:

Mr. Jackie LaBauve, and Mrs. Marilyn LaBauve. Guest: None.

The meeting was opened by Mr. Schexnider.

Mr. Erickson moved, Mr. Hicks seconded, and carried to pay all bills.

Mr. Broussard moved, Mr. Erickson seconded, and carried to adjourn the meeting.

APPROVED: /s/ Alton Schexnider
ALTON SCHEXNIDER, PRESIDENT

ATTEST: /s/ Richard Erickson
RICHARD ERICKSON, SEC/TREA
RUN: April 22 (A 34)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sealed bids will be received by Cameron Parish Police Jury until 1:30 P.M., May 3, 2004 in the meeting room of the Parish Government Building, 110 Smith Circle, Cameron, Louisiana, for the sale of surplus equipment, as is, where is.

All bids must be submitted on bid forms which may be obtained at the Cameron Parish Police Jury Office, 110 Smith Circle, Cameron, Louisiana, during normal business hours.

BY: /s/ Bonnie W. Conner
BONNIE W. CONNER, SECRETARY

RUNS: April 15 and 22 (A 35)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sealed bids will be received by Cameron Parish Police Jury until 1:30 P.M., May 3, 2004 in the meeting room of the Parish Government Building, 110 Smith Circle, Cameron, Louisiana, for the purchase of culverts.

All bids must be submitted on bid forms which may be obtained at the Cameron Parish Police Jury Office, 110 Smith Circle, Cameron, Louisiana, during normal business hours.

BY: /s/ Bonnie W. Conner
BONNIE W. CONNER, SECRETARY

RUNS: April 15 and 22 (A 36)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Bids are being solicited as follows and sealed bids will be opened and publicly read by the Purchasing Section of the Department of Natural Resources, Room 1263, 617 N. 3rd St., Baton Rouge, LA 70802 at 11:00 A.M. on May 12, 2004:

Bid Proposal Number 432-2214-UORP/04-007
Removal and Disposal of Underwater Obstructions, Grand Lake & Calcasieu Lake, Cameron Parish

Only those contractors on the list of contractors approved by the Underwater Obstruction Removal Program Office as of April 22, 2004 will be eligible for consideration. (Reference: Louisiana Underwater Obstruction Removal Program, ACT 666 of 1997).

Bid proposal form and specifications will be mailed to eligible contractors. Additional information may be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources, Office of Conservation, P.O. Box 94275 (617 N 3rd St-9th Fl.), Baton Rouge, LA 70804 - 9275, Attention: Underwater Obstruction Removal Program (or call Underwater Obstruction Removal Office at 225/342-6293).

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).

This Notice published to comply with Public Bid Law.
RUNS: April 15, 22, & 29 (A 37)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sealed bids will be received by Cameron Parish Police Jury until 1:30 P.M., May 3, 2004 in the meeting room of the Parish Government Building, 110 Smith Circle, Cameron, Louisiana, for the purchase of one (1) rescue vehicle, as per specifications.

All bids must be submitted on bid forms which may be obtained at the Cameron Parish Police Jury Office, 110 Smith Circle, Cameron, Louisiana, during normal business hours.

BY: /s/ Bonnie W. Conner
BONNIE W. CONNER, SECRETARY

RUNS: April 15, 22 (A 39)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sealed bids will be received by Cameron Parish Police Jury until 1:30 P.M., May 3, 2004 in the meeting room of the Parish Government Building, 110 Smith Circle, Cameron, Louisiana, for the purchase of approximately one-half mile of vinyl fencing to be installed in the vicinity of the Hackberry Public Boat Launch, Hackberry, LA.

All bids must be submitted on bid forms which may be obtained at the Cameron Parish Police Jury office, 110 Smith Circle, Cameron, Louisiana, during normal business hours.
BY: /s/ Bonnie W. Conner
BONNIE W. CONNER, SECRETARY
RUNS: April 15, 22 (A 40)

Cameron Parish Gravity Drainage District #7
MARCH 18, 2004
MINUTES

Meeting called to order by Curtis L. Trahan, President.

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

Absent are: none

Guests are: Scotty Badon, Lonnie Harper, Patty Morris, Magnus McGee and Kurt Storm.

Motion to accept the minutes of Regular meeting on February 19, 2004.

Made by: Rogerest Romero, seconded by: Ricky Romero.

Motion to accept minutes of Special meeting on February 21, 2004.

Made by: Ricky Romero, seconded by: Ivan Barentine.

Motion to review and pay bills.

Made by: Ricky Romero, seconded by Ivan Barentine.

Motion to approve permits:
Made by: Ricky Romero, seconded by: Rogerest Romero.

Permits:
LCUP#3040317 - CHEVRON U.S.A., INC. - WEST CAMERON BLOCK 18

LCUP#40318 - CHEVRON U.S.A., INC. - WEST CAMERON BLOCK 17

LCUP#040314 - TENNESSEE GAS PIPELINE CO. - T14S-R14W-T14S-R13W, AND T15S-R13W

LCUP#040320 - HUNT HOMES, LLC - SECTION 17, T15S-R13W

Permit tabled till a later date:
LCUP#040104 - APACHE LOUISIANA MINERALS - SECTIONS 21, T14S-R10W

Motion to approve the purchase of a boat and motor and lawn mower, weed eater and tools.

Made by: E. Carol Trahan, seconded by: Rogerest Romero.

Next scheduled regular board meeting on May 20, 2004 at 6:30 p.m. at 205 Middle Ridge Road.

Motion to adjourn:
Made by: Rogerest Romero, seconded by: E.Carol Trahan.

SIGNED: /s/ Curtis Trahan
CURTIS L. TRAHAN, PRESIDENT

ATTEST: /s/ Patricia Morris
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
RUN: April 22 (A 44)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be opened and publicly read by the Purchasing Section of the Louisiana Agricultural Finance Authority (Lafa), 5825 Florida Blvd, Suite 1221, Baton Rouge, LA, Thursday, May 6, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. for the following:

LAF1165/1701 AIR COMPRESSOR - LACASSINE SYRUP PLANT

The Louisiana Agriculture Finance Authority (Lafa) is issuing a Request for Proposal (RFP) to all qualified companies for a proposal for AIR COMPRESSOR FOR THE LACASSINE SYRUP PLANT. Location will be Lacassine, Louisiana, Jefferson Davis Parish.

The Request for Proposal provides a general description of the Project as well as instructions for

submitting proposal.

This announcement does not commit the Louisiana Agriculture Finance Authority (Lafa) to award a contract or to pay any cost incurred in the preparation of proposals. Lafa reserves the right to accept or reject, in whole or in part, all proposals submitted and/or to cancel this announcement. Any contract awarded shall be based upon the proposal most advantageous to the state, cost and other factors considered. All contracts are subject to the availability of funds.

No bids will be received after the date and hour specified. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids and to waive any formalities. Additional information can be seen on the internet at www.lfaf.state.la.us or specifications can be obtained from Hilary Stephenson, 5825 Florida Blvd, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. BIDS OPEN: Thursday, MAY 6, 2004 @ 2:00 P.M.

Hilary Stephenson
Louisiana Agriculture Finance Authority
RUN: April 22 (A 45)

SHERIFF'S SALE

THIRTY-EIGHT JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT PARISH OF CAMERON STATE OF LOUISIANA FIRST FAMILY FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.
VS. NO. 10-16736

FRANK GLENIS CORE AND LETHA MAE CORE

By virtue of writ of EXECUTORY PROCESS issued to me directed by the Honorable Court aforesaid, I have seized and will offer for sale at public auction to the last and highest bidder WITHOUT the benefit of appraisal, at the Court House door of this Parish of Cameron, on Wednesday, MAY 26, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. the following described property to-wit:

LOTS 22 AND 23, LESS EAST 6 FEET OF LOT 23 LYONS SUBDIVISION OF THE WEST 10 ACRES OF SECTION 40, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 10 WEST, LOUISIANA MERIDIAN, AS PER PLAT PREPARED BY F. SHUTT'S & SON DATED DECEMBER 4, 1939, FILED FOR RECORD IN CAMERON PARISH, LOUISIANA TOGETHER WITH ALL BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON.

seized under said writ.
Terms: CASH DAY OF SALE.

/s/ James R. Savoie
JAMES R. SAVOIE, SHERIFF
CAMERON PARISH, LA. Sheriff's Office, Cameron, LA. APRIL 16, 2004

CHARLES K. WATTS
Attorneys for PLAINTIFF
RUNS: April 22, May 20 (A 46)

SHERIFF'S SALE

THIRTY-EIGHT JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT PARISH OF CAMERON STATE OF LOUISIANA CITIFINANCIAL MORTGAGE COMPANY, INC.
VS. NO. 10-16749

WILLIAM HENRY BAKER, JR. AND JEANETTE WAGNER BAKER

By virtue of a writ of EXECUTORY PROCESS issued to me directed by the Honorable Court aforesaid, I have seized and will offer for sale at public auction to the last and highest bidder WITHOUT the benefit of appraisal, at the Court House door of this Parish of Cameron, on Wednesday, MAY 26, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. the following described property to-wit:

LOT ONE (1) AND TWO (2) OF STORM HAVEN SUBDIVISION, PHASE II, A SUBDIVISION OF A PORTION OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 12 SOUTH, RANGE 8 WEST, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN CONVEYANCE BOOK 616 PAGE 477 OF THE RECORDS OF CAMERON PARISH, LOUISIANA; SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS, SERVITUDES, RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND OUTSTANDING MINERAL RIGHTS OF RECORD AFFECTING THE PROPERTY.

seized under said writ;
Terms: CASH DAY OF SALE.

/s/ James R. Savoie
JAMES R. SAVOIE, SHERIFF
CAMERON PARISH, LA. Sheriff's Office, Cameron, LA. APRIL 16, 2004

CHARLES H. HECK, JR.
Attorneys for PLAINTIFF
RUNS: April 22 and May 20 (A 47)

PROBATE NUMBER 300-3225

38TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT PARISH OF CAMERON STATE OF LOUISIANA IN THE MATTER OF THE ANCILLARY SUCCESSIONS OF LUCIE H. CULLINAN AND JOSEPH S. CULLINAN NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY TO GRANT MINERAL LEASE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the devise testamentary executors of the Louisiana ancillary successions of Lucie H. Cullinan and Joseph S. Cullinan have made application to the Thirty-Eighth Judicial District Court, Parish of Cameron, Louisiana, for authority to grant a mineral lease to Noble Energy, Inc. on the undivided interest of said successions in certain property situated in the Parish of Cameron, State of Louisiana, described as follows, to-wit:

An undivided three-fourths (3/4) interest in and to: the N/2 of SW/4 of Section 6, T15S, R14W, and the N/2 of S/2 of Section 1, and N/2 of SE/4 of Section 2, T15S, R15W, Cameron Parish, Louisiana, containing 320.0 acres, more or less.

Authority is requested to grant the aforesaid mineral lease for a primary term of one (1) year, and as long thereafter as the lease is maintained by the provisions thereof with the consideration to be paid to the succession in the amounts and manner forth in the petition and in the copy of the proposed Oil and Gas Lease attached to said petition, and that further consideration will be the obligation on the part of the lessee to pay

lease royalties in an amount and under those certain conditions as set forth in said proposed lease. Said lease shall otherwise be on such terms and conditions as are provided for in the copy of the proposed lease on file in these proceedings.

NOTICE is further given that the order applied for may be issued after the expiration of seven (7) days from the date of publication of the Notice. Any opposition may be filed at anytime prior to the issuance of the order.
RUN: April 22 (A 51)

LEGAL NOTICE

This is to advise that the Cameron Parish Police Jury meeting in regular session convened on the 6th day of April 2004 accepted as substantially complete and satisfactory the work performed under Project Number 2003-09: Jetty Pier Pavilion pursuant to the certain contract between H & H Metal Contractors, Inc. and said Cameron Parish Police Jury under File No. 283092 in the Book of Mortgages, Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that any person or persons having claims arising out of the furnishing of labor, supplies, material, etc., in the construction of the said work should file said claim with the Clerk of Court of Cameron Parish, Louisiana on or before forty-five (45) days after the first publication hereof, all in the manner and form as prescribed by law. After the elapse of said time, the Cameron Parish Police Jury will pay all sums due in the absence of any such claims or liens.

BY: Steve Trahan, President
RUN: April 8, 15, 22, 29, May 6, 13, 20 (A 24)

LEGAL NOTICE

This is to advise that the Cameron Parish Police Jury meeting in regular session convened on the 5th day of April 2004 accepted as complete and satisfactory the work performed under Project Number 2002-01: Road Improvements in Cameron Parish- Asphalt Surface Treatment pursuant to the certain contract between R. E. Heidt Construction and said Cameron Parish Police Jury under File No. 275414, in the Book of Mortgages, Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that any person or persons having claims arising out of the furnishing of labor, supplies, material, etc., in the construction of the said work should file said claim with the Clerk of Court of Cameron Parish, Louisiana on or before forty-five (45) days after the first publication hereof, all in the manner and form as prescribed by law. After the elapse of said time, the Cameron Parish Police Jury will pay all sums due in the absence of any such claims or liens.

BY: Steve Trahan, President
RUN: April 8, 15, 22, 29, May 6, 13, 20 (A 25)

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals for the construction of the following project will be received by the CAMERON PARISH POLICE JURY of Cameron, Louisiana until 1:30 P.M. on 3 May of 2004 at the Cameron Parish Police Jury Annex, 110 Smith Circle, Post Office Box 366, Cameron, Louisiana 70631 (337-775-5718).
Project number: 2004-01

Road Improvements in Cameron Parish: Asphaltic Overlay & Base Construction

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

- I. Highway and Bridge Construction
3. Permanent or paved highways or streets (Asphalt Hot Mix)
5. Permanent of paved highways or streets (Concrete)
6. Permanent of paved highways or streets (Soil Cement)

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

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

Cameron Parish Police Jury /s/ Steve Trahan, President
Run: April 8, 15, 22, 29 (A 27)

PROCEEDINGS

Grand Chenier Recreation District #9
Minutes of Meeting
March 10, 2004

Present: Butch Conner, Nina Jones, Kris Bonsall, Yolanda Clark, Darrell East.

Absent: Thomas McCall.
A meeting of the board of directors of the Grand Chenier Recreation Center was held Wednesday, March 10, 2004, at 5:30 p.m.

On motion of Kris Bonsall, second by Butch Conner, and carried, the minutes of the February 11 meeting were approved.

On motion of Kris Bonsall, second by Nina Jones, and carried, the board approved the payment of all bills presented at this meeting.

On motion of Butch Conner, seconded by Yolanda Clark, and carried, the board approves and appropriates \$2,950 towards the purchase and installation of slide and water line and relocation of the diving board.
On motion of Nina Jones, sec-

of State Lease No 2340, as amended, having Coordinates of X = 1,554,761.72 and Y = 353,756.00; thence South 47 degrees 13 minutes 33 seconds East 678.82 feet along the boundary of said State Lease No 2340 to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,555,260.00 and Y = 353,295.01; thence North 34 degrees 02 minutes 04 seconds East 544.05 feet along the boundary of said State Lease No 2340 to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,555,564.50 and Y = 353,745.86; thence South 89 degrees 16 minutes 37 seconds East 515.07 feet to a point having Coordinates of X = 1,556,079.53 and Y = 353,739.36; thence South 00 degrees 40 minutes 15 seconds West approximately 5,384 feet to a point on the present day shoreline of the Gulf of Mexico; thence Westerly approximately 12,613 feet along the said present day shoreline of the Gulf of Mexico to a point of intersection with a line that bears South 00 degrees 41 minutes 49 seconds West extended from a point having coordinates of X = 1,545,383.46 and Y = 353,874.37; thence North 00 degrees 41 minutes 49 seconds East approximately 137 feet along said line to said point, being the point of beginning, containing approximately 739 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, (South Zone).

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 Louisiana State Mineral Board, nor shall the Louisiana State Mineral Board be obligated to refund any consideration



FAMED MOVIE Director Robert Flaherty (seated atop the station wagon) and his crew were shown filming the movie classic "Louisiana Story" on Avery Island in 1947. The 12-year-old "star" was J. C. Boudreaux, a life-long resident of Cameron, who will be on hand when the movie is shown as part of the McNeese Banners Series at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 25 in Lake Charles.

Historic movie starring Cameron man to be shown at McNeese

The showing of the stunningly beautiful black and white film, "Louisiana Story," ostensibly about a Cajun boy and his pet raccoon, and a lecture/slide show about the historic movie by noted painter Elemore Morgan Jr. will be part of the McNeese Banners Series this Sunday, April 25.

The lecture/slide show will be given by Morgan at 3 p.m. in F.G. Bulber Auditorium. A showing of the 79-minute film will immediately follow. Both events are free.

A related exhibition of black and white photographs from the making of the film is currently on display at the Imperial Calcasieu Museum, 204 W. Sallier. The exhibit will run through the end of May.

"Louisiana Story" is one of the finest examples of documentary film making and one of the finest portraits of Cajun culture ever recorded, according to Dr. Robert Cooper, who is both on the Banners Series Committee and the board of directors for Imperial Calcasieu Museum. The score for the music received a Pulitzer Prize.

The film premiered in Abbeville in 1949. It was given world-wide acclaim, made the New York Times' list of the top 10 movies, received the International Prize at the Venice Film Festival and the British Film Academy Award and was nominated for an Academy Award. It has recently been restored and is available in DVD format.

"Louisiana Story" was supposed to be a film funded by the oil industry to show oil and the benefits of oil to

mankind," Cooper said, "but the end product turned out to be a film of poetic beauty far beyond commercial propaganda."

"Louisiana Story" was funded by Standard Oil but the director, Robert Flaherty, was given almost complete freedom as an artist. His contract called for a feature film of about 6,000 to 7,500 feet in length, to be completed in a year and to cost \$175,000 (final cost was \$258,000 and a supplementary contract was drawn).

Flaherty ended up producing "a work of art," according to Cooper. "Like all great art, the medium has outgrown and outlasted the original message," he said.

Flaherty filmed 300,000 feet of film during 15 months in 1946 and 1947, enough for a 138-hour film. The actors playing the Cajun family were amateurs and the 12-year-old "star," J.C. Boudreaux, still lives in Cameron and will be at the Banners event. The workers filmed toiling on the drilling barge were all real employees of Humble Oil & Refining Corporation.

The editing of the mass of film was the job of beautiful, international film editor Helen van Dongen. Van Dongen, whose patience was much tried by Flaherty and his filming methods, kept a diary about the experience, which was published in 1998 under the title "Filming Robert Flaherty's 'Louisiana Story': The Helen van Dongen Diary."

Van Dongen had to struggle to bring clarity and coherence to the miles of unedited film featuring untrained actors and uncooperative alligators, as well as get used to the humidity, heat and mildew. Her diary is filled with frustration, such as: "Oil workers think they're getting a bum deal."

"In memoriam: one baby alligator as yet nameless"

"Lost: two possums"

"Rushes of oil blow-up on Avery Island came in. They stink."

"I'll get there, but it will take time and damned much patience. If I could have as much patience with people as I have with film, I would be a model person."

Van Dongen was also the person who coined the phrase "a ballet of the roughnecks" to describe an extremely affecting, extended sequence of a crew drilling for oil in the film.

Another key person was Virgil Thomson, who wrote the musical score for the documentary. He worked with the film as it was being shot, according to Cooper, and designed elaborate pieces for the characters, themes and scenery shots. He used folk music to represent the Cajuns and incorporated passages by composers such as Mendelssohn and Debussy into the music. The score was then recorded by the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra, directed by Eugene Ormandy.

"The final result was a unity of sound and film-sight that has been called one of the most successful scores ever written for a motion picture," said Cooper. The score won the first Pulitzer Prize ever awarded for a music score.

An adaptation of part of the score has been composed by Michael Doucet and will be part of a Banners Series con-

cert by Fiddlers 4 at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 24, in Bulber Auditorium.

"We have developed a three-part program centering on the film," said Mary Richardson, coordinator of the Banners Series. "Fiddlers 4 will perform the music during the group's concert on Saturday.

Then Elemore Morgan Jr. will give a slide show and lecture on Sunday, just before we see the movie. And a photographic exhibit about the making of the movie is ongoing at Imperial Calcasieu Museum until the end of May."

All of these programs have been primarily funded by grants from the Decentralized Program of the Arts and Humanities Council of Southwest Louisiana and the Louisiana Division of the Arts.

However, the person who has been the mastermind behind all three parts of the program is Morgan, according to Richardson.

Morgan, who lives in Vermilion Parish and is a nationally renowned landscape painter, knew many of the people involved in making the film. His father, the late Louisiana photographer, Elemore Morgan, was one of the four famous photographers recording the film's premier in Abbeville in 1949.

"Mr. Morgan was invited to take part in the Oregon Festival of American Music a few years ago," Richardson related. "The festival was featuring 'Louisiana Story' and Mr. Morgan was asked to give a slide talk about the history of the music. Michael Doucet and his group, BeauSoleil, next played the Cajun folk tunes, which were the basis for Virgil Thomson's musical score, and finally Oregon's Symphony Orchestra played parts of the score in concert."

"Elemore told me he has never forgotten the experience and wished we could do something like that here," Richardson said. "This year the Imperial Calcasieu Museum and Banners were finally able to make that happen."

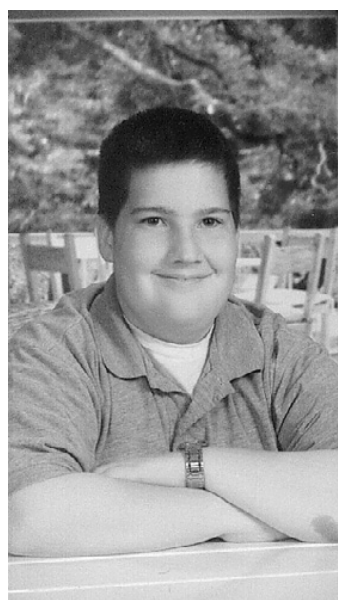
Lady Hornets lose to Vidrine

The last time the Lady Hornets faced Vidrine was in the state quarterfinals last year. The Lady Tigers won that match 5-0 eliminating Grand Lake in the tournament. This year the Lady Hornets fell victim to Vidrine once again, this time in the bi-regional round of the playoffs.

Grand Lake was up by 2 going into the seventh inning and Vidrine rallied to come up with the win 5-3. Lakeyn Duhon went the distance for Grand Lake, giving up only 2 hits. Top hitters were Brittany Hebert, 1-3 with a triple and 2 RBIs; and Brandy Carroll, 1-3 with a solo homerun and RBI.

Grand Lake ends the year at 15-10.

God Bless The



Kevin Orgeron

Kevin Orgeron gets awards

The United States Achievement Academy announced that Kevin John Orgeron from Hackberry has been named a United States National Award Winner in English and Science.

Kevin, who attends Hackberry High, was nominated for this national award by Jeanne LaFleur, a teacher at the school. He will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

Kevin is the son of Rameaux and Karen Orgeron from Hackberry. The grandparents are Evelyn Turner of Hackberry and Lily Orgeron on LaRose.

Senior group holds Easter party here

An Easter party for senior citizens was held recently in Cameron with the following persons winning awards:

Funniest hat - 1st - Margaret Pitts, 2nd - Suzanne Buras, 3rd - Kressie LeBrun.

Most beautiful hat - 1st - Annie Kram, 2nd - Maria Posada, 3rd - Mary Rankin.

Most original hat - 1st - Rosie Bargeman, 2nd - Ella Hebert, 3rd - Ella Rose Benoit.

Men's Hats - Funniest, Roland Primeaux; Most Handsome, Henry Rankin; Most Original, George Wolfe.

Bonnets - Lida Miller. Cakes - Most beautiful, Maria Posada; Most original, Margaret Pitts.

Baskets - Prettiest, Annie Kram; Most original, Hazel LaBove.

Easter Egg Hunt - Prize egg, Kressie LeBrun; Most eggs, Rosie Bargeman; Least Eggs, Lida Miller.

Reunion set

It is time again for the descendants of Pierre Lozan Boudoin to come together under the same roof to visit and have a good time. The reunion will take place at the Grand Chenier Park Sunday, April 25 starting at 10:30 a.m.

There will be door prizes given away, a sweet walk, and a live band will start playing at 1 p.m. Everyone should bring a covered dish for a buffet style lunch. You may bring old pictures and pictures of past reunions for reminiscing.

The cost is \$3 per adult and children are free. Please bring your own drinks and lawn chairs.

For more information, please call Beckie 542-4672.



MAGNOLIAS, Louisiana's state flower, are now in full bloom. This blossom was at the Cameron Waterworks office. (Photo by Cyndi Sellers.)

Lagniappe Two Retirement Home Living Notes



By GENEVA GRIFFITH

Mr. Ed, the cook, was also our Mardi Gras king.

Everyone enjoyed the crawfish season but it is not for long, because they grow tougher as they grow larger.

It is the custom to serve them with hush puppies, which were named because the dogs of the homeowners hid under the dinner tables waiting for their handouts and when people would hand them a treat, they would say "hush puppy" to keep them quiet.

I am still trying to find out what the "Red Hatter's" society stands for, other than eating, which they do plenty of.

We are getting new outdoor park benches all around the village. One is called "my bench" because it is the daily stop for my dog, Beau and me during our daily walks around the village. I have been informed that the old one is being replaced in another week, so in the meantime, we have had to change our direction for our walks.

Our social for this month will be the jambalaya our next door neighbor is preparing for us at the clubhouse. We have some of the best cooks in the state living here.

Landscape and garden program set at L. C.

Noted landscape and garden expert Greg Grant of Arcadia, Texas will present two unique programs Monday, April 26 in Lake Charles, announced Robert Turley, LSU AgCenter Extension horticulturist.

The program will consist of two lectures with the first being from 1 to 2 p.m. on the topic of Southern Heirloom gardens. The lecture is entitled "Milk and Wine at Four O'Clock."

The second lecture will be from 2:15 to 3:15 p.m. on the topic of making your own cottage garden. The lecture is entitled "Blue Bells, Shotgun Shells, and Crown Tires All in a Row."

Both lectures will be held at the Calcasieu Parish

Extension Agriculture Center located at 7101 Gulf Hwy in Lake Charles, LA 70607. Admission is \$15 per person for both lectures.

The program is sponsored by the Greater Calcasieu Master Gardeners. Persons wanting to register are requested to call the Calcasieu Parish Extension office at 337-475-8812. Ask for Pat. Registration form is on the web at: http://www.agctr.lsu.edu/parish/calcasieu/calhort/upcoming_events/landscape-lecture.htm

The program is open to anyone interested in learning more about gardening. Home owners, landscape contractors, horticulturists and gardeners will find these lectures of special interest.

Softball and Baseball

By Chris Mueller

SOFTBALL

Merryville 2; South Cameron 1 - The Lady Tarpons and the Lady Panthers faced each other in a district 5-1A tiebreaker at Frasch Park last Saturday. Merryville recorded a triple play in the first inning and went on to claim first place, while the Lady Tarpons finish in third, behind St. Edmund. Laken Mock pitched for the Lady Tarpoons, allowing only 2 base hits. Amber Trahan, Courtney Conner, Cassandra Trahan, and D.Nae Desonier had a base hit each.

Grand Lake 9; Hamilton Christian 3 - Frasch Park was the site for a first place district 8B tiebreaker last week. The Lady Hornets pounded out 14 hits enroute to a victory. Lakeyn Duhon went the distance for Grand Lake. Top hitters were Tressa Theriot, 3-4 with 3 doubles

and 5 RBIs; Maggie Fruge, 3-4 with a triple and RBI; Lakeyn Duhon, 2-4; and Brandy Carroll, 2-3 with a triple.

BASEBALL

Hackberry 12; Singer 3 - Jody Savoie and Brett Stansel pitched for the Mustangs. Top hitters were Brennan Duhon, 2-3 with a homerun and 4 RBIs; Jody Savoie, 1-1; Jay Sanner, 1-3; and Nick Moore, 2-4.

Grand Lake 9; Hamilton 0 - Dustin Leger struck out 9 and had a perfect game through 4 innings as the Hornets claimed the district 8B title. Leger allowed only one hit. Top hitters were Eric McCombs, 2-4; Jake Medlock, 1-3 with a 2 run homer. The Hornets end the regular season at 16-6 with an 8-0 district record.

Creole KC's to hold ladies night

The J. P. Boudoin Sr. Knights of Columbus Council of Creole met recently and prepared for the State Convention to be held in Lafayette April 29 - 20 and May 1 - 2.

Grand Knight Loston McEvers chosen to serve on the Budget Committee for the annual meeting.

The May meeting night will be "Ladies Night" and the election of new officers for the 2004-2005 year will be held. The new officers will be installed at the June meeting.

Chosen as "Knights of the Month" were Cliff Conner and Fredman Theriot for all the maintenance done for the KC Council's hall.

Chosen as "Family of the Month" was the Loston McEvers family.

The next meeting will be May 12 with a Rosary at 6:15 p.m.

Cheerleading clinic is set

The Cameron Rec Center, along with Nelton Bourque, coach of the All Girl Squad at McNeese State University, will host a cheerleading clinic for students, grades K-12.

The clinic will be held Sat., May 1, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The deadline for pre-registration is Sat., April 24.

The cost is \$25 per student. For more information contact 538-2578 or 802-4918.



THE PEVETO WOODS Bird Sanctuary located at Johnson Bayou was created by the Baton Rouge Audubon Society a few years ago. Members recently found that wild honeysuckle vines are taking over the site and have begun work to remove the vines. Above, a Society member surveys the entangled trees and shrubs.