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New Destrehan donut shop opens doors

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Monday saw the opening of a brand-new donut shop, providing another option for breakfast and anyone looking to satisfy their sweet tooth.

Yummy Fresh Donuts held its grand opening in Destrehan, located at 12519 Airline Hwy Suite J (next to Smoothie King). And whether it's chocolate, glazed or sprinkled donuts, cinnamon rolls or breakfast items like croissants and other treats, there are plenty of choices for visitors to mull over.

"Very excited to be open," said Roth Met of Yummy Fresh. "We just started

DONUTS on 6A



Roth Met and Heng Caun of Yummy Fresh Donuts.

Baseball playoffs kick off this week for HHS and DHS



TURN to 2B

HHS science teacher earns special honor



TURN to 2A

Destrehan junior achieves a perfect 36 on ACT

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Kaden Kirtland aimed for perfection and perfection is what he found.

The Destrehan High School junior recently achieved an exceptionally rare milestone, scoring a perfect 36 on the ACT.

Nationally, while the actual number of students earning a composite score of 36 varies from year to year, on average, less than one-tenth of 1 percent of students who take the ACT earn the top score. Exceptional scores of 36 provide colleges with evidence of student readiness for the academic rigors that lie ahead.



Kaden Kirtland plans to pursue a career in computer science or video game programming.

"I thought I'd done well once I was finished ... I wasn't confident as far as a 36, but I was confident I'd done well," Kirtland said. "So, it came as a surprise

ACT on 6A

Autism bash at West Bank Bridge Park will feature game truck, train rides and petting zoo

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Face painting, a gaming truck, sensory tables, miniature train rides, a petting zoo and more will greet those who attend the second annual Autism Awareness and Acceptance Bubbles and Balloon Bash.

The event will take place at the West Bank Bridge Park on Sunday, April 28 from 2-5 p.m.

"The overall positive energy, love, support and hope that families will experience will be the absolute feeling any person would want to encounter;



The Autism Awareness and Acceptance Bubbles and Balloon Bash will take place on Sunday, April 28 from 2-5 p.m.

especially an individual living with Autism Spectrum Disorder and the family that cares for them," Precious Singleton-Alexander, who will host the event, said. "There will be lots of

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HHS science teacher just one of 10 in country chosen for special honor

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Dr. Cecelia Gillam, who teaches environmental science at Hahnville High School, was one of just 10 educators from across the country chosen to join the newly-formed Vernier Science Education’s Trendsetters Community.

The Vernier Trendsetters Community offers educators a forum to enhance their teaching skills, specifically through the use of Vernier data-collection technology, and to engage in meaningful collaboration with like-minded leading STEM educators. Vernier Science Education produces a full line of award-winning interfaces, sensors, software and lab books for students across the world.

Gillam was the only selection from Louisiana.

“Cecelia was selected due to her knowledge of science content, enthusiasm for hands-on learning, experience in the implementation of Vernier technology within her instruction, and passion for equity in STEM,” Christine Lynch, spokeswoman for Vernier Science Education, said.

Gillam was born and raised in New Orleans, earned her Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education from Southern University A&M and her Masters of Art in Educational Leadership from Southeastern Louisiana University.

She recently received her Doctorate in Educational Leadership from Southeastern.

“What I enjoy most about teaching is being able to spark a love for science in my students,” she said. “I enjoy going in and helping them to realize their full potential. I enjoy being able to make real-world connections with them.”

Gillam first realized she wanted to be a teacher one semester in college when she lost her desire to be an engineer.



Dr. Cecelia Gillam

SCIENCE TEACHER on 8A



Flammable items that were thrown out in the trash recently caused a fire.

Garbage truck catches fire after flammable items thrown in trash

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After a St. Charles Parish resident recently put flammable items in their garbage can that caused a truck fire, River Birch Renewable Energy wants to warn residents of the dangers such hazardous items can cause.

Chris Stewart, safety manager for River Birch, said that they were unable to determine the exact source of the fire, but that

awareness and communication are key to keeping everyone safe. He also praised the actions of both the garbage truck driver and the fire department for their actions in limiting damage.

“We are very grateful for the actions of everyone involved,” Stewart said. “Without the fire

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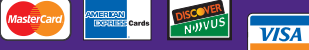
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DHS surprises longtime track and field coach by renaming annual meet in his honor

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Ulysses Frontha was asked to join Destrehan High School track and field coaches Tim Taffi and Lynette Matthews at midfield to help give out honors to several senior athletes.

What came next stunned him. Frontha – and the crowd in attendance on Friday at Destrehan’s annual home track and field meet – learned that the event was officially being renamed the Ulysses Frontha Relays in his honor, a recognition by the school toward Frontha’s many years of dedication to the DHS track and field program and his many years working with other young athletes as well.

“I’m a little emotional,” said Frontha moments after the announcement, which was kept secret until the unveiling of a banner and T-shirts displaying the meet’s new name. “It’s good to know you’re appreciated ... I had no idea, none at all. It’s humbling.

“I told coach, ‘Y’all set me up,’” Frontha added jokingly.

Frontha served in the military during the Vietnam War and was one of the first black students to integrate under Freedom of Choice at Destrehan High School.

After earning his degree in education, he began his track and field coaching career in Shreveport with Huntington High School. He started as an assistant,



Ulysses Frontha

but in the middle of his first year there, the head coach departed.

“The principal came to me and said, ‘Well, you’re gonna be the head track and field coach now,’” Frontha recalled with a laugh.

Frontha was still learning the overall track and field game – he competed in all three jumping events in high school, but beyond that he needed guidance in terms of technique to pass on to his athletes.

“I read every book I could find – I was fresh out of college and I was lost,”

Frontha said. “I talked to all the coaches I could find. Just like any coach – you steal from other coaches.”

He proved a quick study. Frontha guided Huntington to state championships in 1987 and 1988, and the program put together a near three-year unbeaten streak over that span. Frontha earned Coach of the Year accolades in each championship season. He also coached football and basketball as an assistant at the school.

In 1991, he returned back to St. Charles Parish – home for the Destrehan High alumnus.

“It was time to make the move,” Frontha said. “It was a chance to see my parents more and spend time with them.”

long as it’s fun, I’m gonna keep doing it,” Frontha said.

Something about track and field Frontha’s always appreciated, he said, is there’s a little something for anyone and everyone.

“With all of the different events, you can’t say anyone’s too big or too small, we can find something for you to do,” Frontha said.

He’s helped many of his athletes accomplish major feats. Former Huntington runner Teresa Foster ran in the 1992 Olympic Trials. Destrehan alum Bryant Wesco is a Louisiana Tech Hall of Famer in track and field. Both were prep athletes under Frontha, and there are countless others who have gone on to shine.



Ulysses Frontha, surprised by the news that Destrehan’s annual track and field meet has been named in his honor.

He returned to Destrehan High School as an educator and a coach with the school’s track and field, basketball and football programs, including serving as track and field head coach from 1992 to 2009. Frontha also founded the St. Charles Striders track and field team, affording more opportunities for local athletes to hone their skills and shine. From 2012-2015, Frontha guided the West St. John track and field program.

“It’s said about teachers where their students are their kids for the rest of their lives. I tell people, I only had one son, but I had a multitude of kids. And when you grow up, you’re still my kid. As

Frontha is very proud of all of them.

“Anyone where I was able to have a positive impact on their life, I’d say that’s what I’m proudest of,” he said. “There are a lot of success stories and I’m proud to be a part of that. But seeing kids just go out there and compete – even if they don’t win, but they go out and they really compete.

“One of my guys who I coached and saw recently, he told me he always remembers something I told him – that you may not be the fastest out there, but just finish the race. Whatever you start, just finish the race.”

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Met has been in the business for five years, previously working with family in Thibodaux. He said he made the move to St. Charles Parish in major part because of the reputation of its school system. Met also lived in California prior to the move locally.

“I want my kids to study here, because (the parish) has good schools,” Met said. “This is a good place for them to study and learn and a really good area in

general.”

The shop is open seven days a week, opening early: the hours are 4 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day, Monday through Friday.

So far, Met said, people seem to be enjoying the tasty treats at Yummy Fresh.

“Right now, I couldn’t say there’s one particular favorite. People seem to like them all,” Met said. “I’m very happy to be here and to open the shop. It’s very exciting.”

For more info, Yummy Fresh Donuts can be reached at (562) 286-4053.

ACT from 1A

when I opened up the (ACT) site and saw what I had.”

His thought upon seeing the perfect score?

“Nothing I can say that wouldn’t get censored, honestly,” Kirtland joked.

Kirtland had taken the test twice before: once in the summer of 2023 and once when he was 12. The 2023 test saw him land a 34, already an extremely high score.

Nonetheless, he set the bar higher.

“My goal this time was the 36,” Kirtland said.

Because every junior student has to take the test – meaning simply settling on the 34 and sitting out this time was not an option – he wanted to make the absolute most of it.

“I figured if I’m taking it again, for it to have any merit I needed the 36,” Kirtland said.

He credited consistent encouragement from his teachers as part of what drove him to find that success. Kirtland said there were usually two practice sessions a week for the English and reading parts of the exam.

“They really kept me going, preparing me to do well,” he said of his teachers.

Once testing day came, Kirtland relied heavily on his instincts, letting the preparation take over.

“I went with my gut,” he said. “I didn’t double check or change any of my answers because I knew if I did that, I’d end up changing a correct answer – that’s an even worse feeling than just getting it wrong to begin with. So, I’d say ‘don’t look back’ was how I approached it.”

While he still has another year to go at Destrehan, following graduation Kirtland plans to attend a four-year college and pursue a career in computer science or video game programming.

“That’s been in my head consistently – being a game designer,” Kirtland said. “That field has been something I’ve been attached to since I was very young and



I think I’ve always known I wanted to be doing something involved with that. Programming is a skill that came easy to me, so it made a lot of sense.

“I do have ideas for certain games. The big thing for games is it’s still a pretty new artform and it’s unexplored in many ways. I want to be one who’s out there exploring.”

While the percentage of perfect scores are scant, Destrehan High has nonetheless produced two students who have achieved the feat in the past year, with Ava Rockefeller hitting that mark in 2023.

Obituaries

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Dugas

Manuel V. Dugas passed away on April 11, 2024 at the age of 95 years. He was born in DesAllemands, LA and was a resident of Luling, LA.

He is preceded in death by his first wife, Martha Parks Dugas; parents, Horace and Helen Dugas; son, Manuel V. Dugas Jr.; daughter, Deitra Lynn Dugas; brother, Wayne Dugas (the late Laura Turner Dugas) and sister, Margaret Hufford (the late Johnny Hufford).

Survivors include his wife, Linda Stewart Dugas; son, Dr. Robert Wayne Dugas (Jean); step-children, Melissa Sabathe (Rodney) and Gregory Cannon; grandchildren, Robert Dugas Jr., Kristie Millard (Michael), Richard Dugas, Katherine Dugas, Lissa Dugas, and Laura Golubev (Vladimir); step-grandchildren, Ronald Gilmore III, Taylor Dow, Zachary Sabathe, Tyler Sabathe, Eric Cannon (Megan) along with 11 great-grandchildren. Also survived by other relatives and friends.

Manuel served his country in the U.S. Coast Guard and was a licensed insurance agent for State Farm. He was a member of the DesAllemands First Assembly of God Church.

Visitation will be held at Life Fellowship Community Church, 2671 LA-306, Bayou Gauche, LA on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 from 9am to 11am. Services will follow. Interment St. Charles Cemetery in Luling, LA.

Donations in his loving memory may be made to the Manuel Dugas Family scholarship, Southeastern LA University, Hammond, LA (www.southeastern.edu) or to the charity of your choice.

Mothe Funeral Home is assisting the family during this difficult time. Family and friends are encouraged to share their condolences, memories, and stories by visiting: www.mothefunerals.com.



Sheriff’s Reports

Suspects are innocent until proved guilty in a court of law

Arrests

- **Jervario Smith, 26**, was arrested April 13 and charged with aggravated battery.
- **Brooks Floyd Jr., 60**, was arrested April 8 and charged with failure to register and notify as a sex offender.
- **Dejon Reese, 24**, was arrested April 7 and charged with simple burglary of an inhabited dwelling.
- **Jordan Zeringue, 37**, was arrested April 5 and charged with theft of a firearm and theft from a building.
- **Robert Hoard Jr., 53**, was arrested April 5 and charged with domestic abuse battery with a weapon.



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information for parents who are in search of services, fun and games for both parents and kids, food, music and just a beautiful day to celebrate Autism Awareness and Acceptance Month.”

The theme of this year’s event is “different is beautiful,” and that’s for a very unique reason.

“I want to encourage and empower those individuals that just because you are ‘different’ does not make you less, it makes you more beautiful in God’s image, not man,” Singleton-Alexander said.

The ultimate goal of the bash, which is put on by The Chosen Ones Foundation, is to celebrate individuals and families who are living with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

“For The Chosen Ones (autistic community), I want them to feel welcomed, included, loved, supported and empowered to keep being different, which is beautiful, and for the families and community members, we have to continue to raise awareness, acceptance, inclusion and increase advocacy efforts for individuals living with Autism Spectrum Disorder in our community and surrounding areas; the marathon doesn’t stop after this event,” Singleton-Alexander said.

A fire truck and DJ will also be on hand at the event, while food, snowballs and cotton candy will be served.

Singleton-Alexander said that while a majority of the activities are centered around neurodivergent kids, the bash kept those who are neurotypical in mind

as they enjoy some of the same things that a person with autism does.

“And we couldn’t forget about the ones that give it their all day in and day out supporting their loved one, so we have some fun games for the parents who like a little competition including a cornhole station, sack, three-leg and an egg race game that should be hilarious to play and watch,” she added.

The bash will also include a silent auction and raffles that will feature gift cards from parish businesses, a cornhole game, 32-inch TV, customized autism wreath and earrings, and an air fryer.

Last year, 461 people attended the



Precious Singleton-Alexander waves to the camera with St. Charles Parish Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Ken Oertling.



need of this event that I don’t even know personally are my reasons behind this event and to keep it going.”

The bash cost \$10 per family to attend, for up to five people per family. An additional person cost \$1 for up to nine people. Money raised by admission will go towards having similar events for the autistic community throughout the year.

“Other plans and hopes are to be able to take them on sensory-friendly field trip adventures of their choice, like a farm where they can experience animal therapy; which research has shown to be effective for individuals with ASD,” Singleton-Alexander said. “In the future, we would love to be able to offer families grants to help cover expenses related to therapy, medical equipment, evaluations, as well as just financial support to help care for their child in need.”

bash, including not only those from St. Charles Parish but others from Houma, Hammond, New Orleans and Baton Rouge.

Singleton-Alexander’s son, 6-year-old Rio Marley, was diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder in 2021. She calls her son her “reason behind it all.”

“God blessed me to be his mom and because of that, it moved me to have the God-given vision and to fulfill a purpose that I was put on earth to do; for not only my son, but for other kids like him and that’s what you see now,” she said. “For some, this is a month to celebrate but for my family and others like me, we live this everyday.”

Singleton-Alexander said this event



was all in God’s plan. After hosting her first autism event, she met Claud Adams, who believed in her vision so much that he offered to help her start The Chosen Ones Foundation.

“And just like that, year two and we are here with the second annual autism bash,” she said. “God, Rio, my parents, Mr. Claude Adams and those families in



GARBAGE from 2A



department and their professional handling of the situation, it could have been a much worse situation. The community is very fortunate to have such a great fire department.”

The truck driver also identified the smoke and fire quickly, pulled over and compressed the trash to minimize the potential of air feeding the fire. He then called 911. Due to those actions, there was minimal damage to the truck and it was back in operation later that day.

Stewart said the most common items that people throw in the garbage but shouldn’t include batteries, ammunition, fireworks, gas cylinders, chemicals, ashes

and fuel cans.

“Those are some of the most common items we see, but the list is not all inclusive,” he added.

While situations like this are not a frequent occurrence, Stewart said it does happen more often than the company would like.

“Some of the most common reasons are when people are opening or closing their swimming pools for the season and getting rid of old chemicals, when fireplaces are used and ashes are disposed of, or fireworks put in the trash that have not been properly extinguished,” he said.



SCIENCE TEACHER from 2A

“I had a whole bunch of science credits and I went back to my childhood calling,” she said. “As a child I would always pretend I was a teacher. I used to teach my teddy bears and my little cousins. It was just a natural fit for me to become an educator.”

“I love science because science is all around our natural world. I like the problem-solving aspect of science and how you have to think critically to solve complex problems.”

Gillam has been a science teacher in St. Charles Parish for eighteen years. She has helped write science district curriculum and assessments for environmental science, and recently she became an advocate for the National Equity Project by being selected as a board member for the Black Teacher Project.

She is a certified coach for Pear Deck, EdPuzzle, and Screencastify. She is also a Distinguished Modern Classroom Educator and Expert Mentor for the Modern Classroom Project. She has attended and presented at multiple national conferences, including International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) and National Science Teacher Association to train teachers on how to incorporate EdTech tools in their classrooms.

And that’s not all.

Gillam published a motivational children’s book called Black Girl, was a national grand prize winner for the Shell Lab Grant, and was a state finalist for the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science in 2015 and 2019.

“My overall goal as an educator is to increase



Among her many accomplishments, Dr. Cecelia Gillam was a national grand prize winner for the Shell Lab Grant.

representation in STEM of marginalized groups,” she said. “I want more students in underrepresented groups to feel a sense of belonging. I want them to see a reflection of themselves through representation in the classroom. I want to increase the number of underrepresented students in STEM courses and careers.”

Gillam was thrilled when she



learned she was named to the Vernier Trendsetters Community.

“I was like, ‘wow, Cecelia Gillam you really did this,’” she said. “In education often teachers like myself feel as if I am not making a difference. Sometimes I feel like all of my hard work and dedication goes unnoticed so when I was noticed by Vernier and selected for this prestigious honor I was elated and in awe. I also immediately thought about all of the educators that I will be able to impact.”

She added that she is most looking forward to helping other educators realize their full potential.

“I want more educators to step away from online simulations and move into more hands-on activities. I want to show them that they can use EdTech tools to engage students as they solve real-world relevant problems,” she said. “I am also looking forward to the networking opportunities and to grow as an educator from other like-minded educators.”

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Wildcats reach round two but fall at Live Oak

Lozano's 2-hitter spurs Destrehan past Denham Springs in opening round

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After scoring a 3-1 opening round playoff victory against Denham Springs at home, Destrehan's season came to an end in round two of the Division I non-select playoffs as the 9th-seeded Ladycats fell 11-0 at No. 8 Live Oak.

Destrehan (25-8) entered the second round on a six-game winning streak, with 58 runs scored over that span. But Live Oak was able to quiet the Wildcats' offense, holding Destrehan to five hits as pitcher Ava Kate Phillips earned a complete game shutout victory in five innings (the game ended after five via the 10-run rule.

It was a 0-0 game after two innings but Live Oak took control after that, scoring five runs in the third and six in the fourth. Phillips went 3-for-3 with three RBIs and two runs scored, while Raelee Clark went 2-for-3 with a home run, four RBIs and a run scored for Live Oak (21-13), which extended its win streak to seven games. Live Oak advanced to the state quarterfinals with the win and will match up with No. 1 seed Dutchtown.

"We had some chances early, runners on first and second and we hit it right at people. I'd like to think if we'd scored a run or two, we might have put a little pressure on them," said Destrehan head softball coach Craig Perrier, wrapping up his second season at the helm of the program. "But they put a lot of pressure on us, hats off to them. We made two errors and when we made mistakes, they made us pay."

Perrier said the game will serve as valuable experience, however, for a Wildcats team filled with predominantly underclassmen.

"I'm happy they were able to play in big games like this ... it was packed, probably 800 people were out to see the game," Perrier said. "You got to play out there in front of a big crowd and see what the playoff atmosphere in high school softball is all about against a team with a lot of seniors and juniors. You learn a lot from it."

Saturday was a different story. With playoff expectations and pressure upon a young Destrehan squad, Jolie Lozano and her Wildcats teammates were more than ready to answer in an opening round victory at home.

The Wildcats scored a 3-1 win over visiting 24th seed Denham Springs, keyed by Lozano's two-hitter and some clutch late game at-bats to advance to round two.

Lozano allowed just two hits and two walks while striking out three. She earned the win in a complete game effort. At the plate, she likewise had a big day, going 3-for-4 with a double and an RBI.

Rylie Staton was 2-for-3 with an RBI for Destrehan. Ava Burkett was 1-for-3 with a run scored and a double that slammed off the centerfield wall.

Perrier said his team's veteran leaders were critical to the team's success all year long, and a very teachable and coachable group of freshmen have followed their lead. That, Perrier said, helped pave the road to Saturday's victory.

"They push the freshmen to raise their game up. Our freshmen have some talent and they take good, constructive criticism from the older ones ... everyone on this team is buying in," Perrier said.

One of those talented freshmen, Lozano, seemed unaffected by the playoff pressure.

"She's so mentally tough," Perrier said. "She goes out there and she wants the ball, she wants to win and she's gonna challenge hitters. She knows they're gonna hit her, but she challenges them, says 'here's my best stuff, go hit it - I trust my defense,' and pitches to contact."

Lozano said she kept her composure by focusing all of her mental energy on her next pitch, adhering to a motto of 'one pitch at a time.'

"It was very close ... you have to stay laser-focused the entire time," said Lozano. "You take it step by step, inning by inning."

With the score tied at a run each, the key inning for Destrehan proved to be the fifth, where a leadoff double from Burkett off the wall ignited a two-run frame.

Gracie Bourgeois laid down a sacrifice bunt to move Burkett to third.

Then Makayla Thomas followed suit, taking one swing before Perrier called for a squeeze bunt that worked to perfection, putting DHS ahead 2-1 - Burkett scored and Thomas reached first after Denham could

not make the play at home.

"Thomas is a quiet leader on this team," Perrier said of the senior. "She's been doing it since her freshman year and she's been in big games before so she understands ... she's been swinging a hot bat so I gave her a swing at it. She fouled it off. We've got to take the lead there - she laid down a perfect bunt and we got it."

Thomas went on to steal second, setting up Staton to drive her in - which she did on a single to right field, making it 3-1.

Denham didn't go away easily, threatening to spoil things for Destrehan in the top of the seventh. Emma Catalano drew a walk to lead things off. Lozano got a pair of ground outs before an error left two on for Kinsley Thevenot. Lozano earned the strikeout to end the game and Destrehan was moving on.

Lozano drove in Destrehan's first run in the bottom of the second inning, scoring Emma Headings who was hit by a pitch to lead things off.

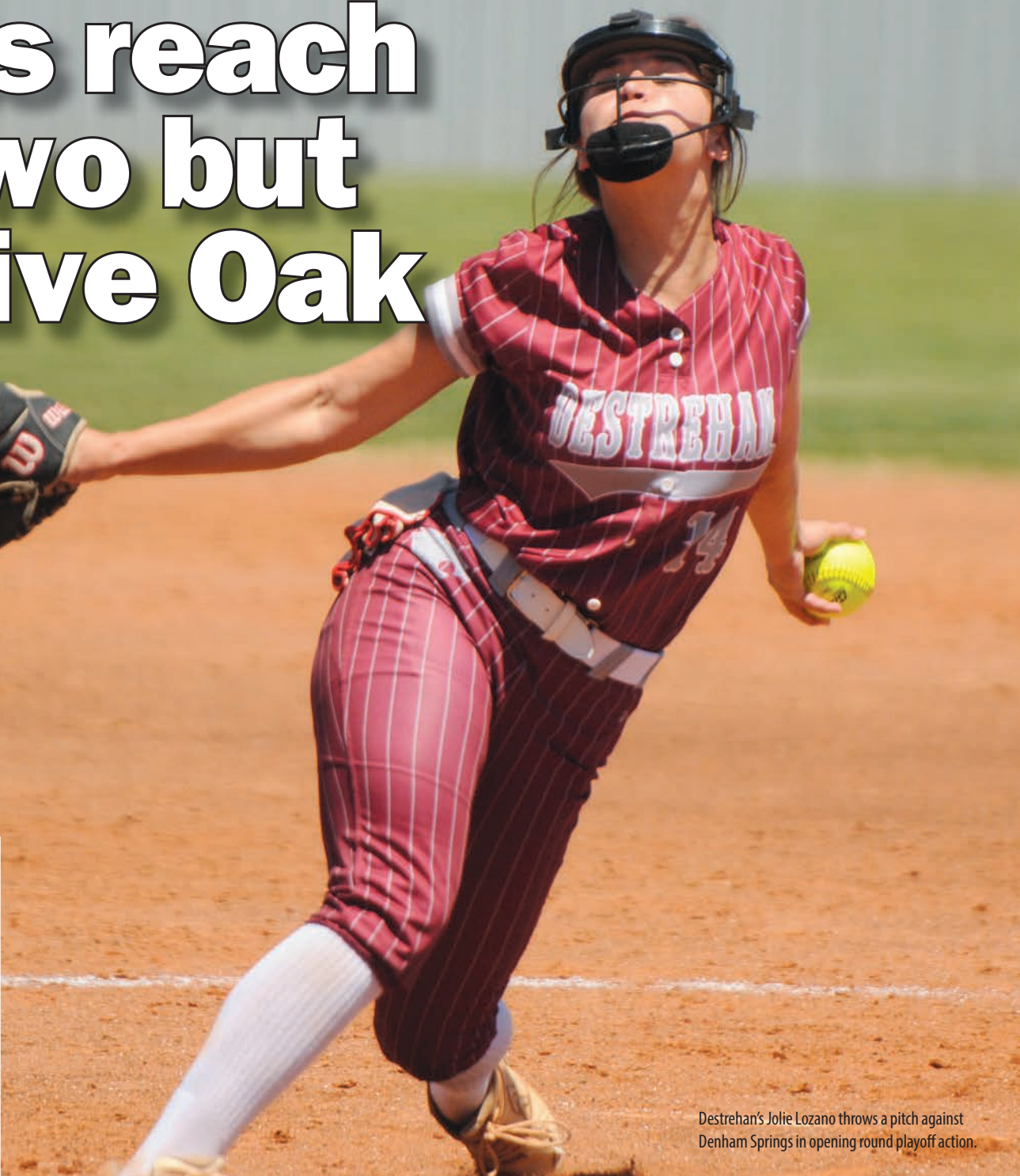
Denham tied it up in the top of the fourth, thanks to some aggressive baserunning -Makinley Harris stole second after leading off with a single, then she scored on Allie Vicknair's sacrifice bunt, charging around third without hesitation to reach home.

Lozano said the win felt great personally but that she was even more excited seeing how joyful all of her teammates were after the victory.

"It's just so cool that this group of girls is moving forward (to round two)," she said. "This team has such good chemistry. We're all friends and we all truly root for one another and push each other to get better."

Despite the loss in round two, Destrehan made a big breakthrough this season after going 8-22 in 2023, effectively flipping its record completely around. Destrehan's 24 regular season wins were the most of any team in Class 5A this season.

Destrehan's Jolie Lozano throws a pitch against Denham Springs in opening round playoff action.



Tigers ride 11-game win streak into postseason

Hahnville will host Neville for best-of-3 series; Destrehan on road to face Covington

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Hahnville is dreaming big these days – and why wouldn't they, given the Tigers' scorching hot end to the regular season?

HHS has won 11 consecutive games, including a 10-2 victory over rival Destrehan and then a 7-4 victory over Brother Martin in Hahnville's final regular season game. The Tigers enter the postseason as one of the hottest teams in the state.

"The goal for every team is to be in a dogpile at the end," said Hahnville head coach Jared Vial. "You approach every game like you're 0-0 and you don't ride the roller coaster ... we've got some mojo right now. Things are starting to really come together."

The team's strong record, including a District 7-5A championship, earned the Tigers (21-9) the No. 9 seed in Division I non-select and an opening round home series with No. 24 Neville. Hahnville is slated to host Neville (14-10) on Thursday (4 p.m.), Friday (4 p.m.) and Saturday if necessary (10 a.m.) in the best of three series.

Neville started the season 3-8, but enters the play-offs playing its best baseball, winners of 11 of its last 13 games.

In the second of two Destrehan/Hahnville matchups last week, the Tigers were going for a sweep after besting DHS two days earlier to clinch the 7-5A crown. There was no letup by the Tigers in the rematch. Hahnville scored in each inning, including two runs in each of the first four innings to break the game open.

Kaleb Guarisco had a big offensive day for Hahnville,

going 3-for-3 with a home run, three runs scored and three RBIs. Fellow freshmen Landen Teague and Koa Romero were each 2-for-3 with an RBI, Romero with a double and Teague a triple. Talan Theriot went 2-for-4 with a double, two runs scored and an RBI.

On the mound, Hayden Plaisance went seven innings and struck out nine with no walks. He allowed three hits and one earned run.

For Destrehan, Payton Stubbs took the loss on the mound. Offensively, Shane Lee and Jayse DeGruy each drove in runs, including a home run by Lee.

The day began with Destrehan striking first – and doing so in its very first at-bat. Lee's home run blast to lead off the game gave Destrehan a 1-0 advantage.

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Top, Hayden Plaisance delivers to home plate against Destrehan. Above, Jonah Haslauer of Destrehan.

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Adeline Bertrand of Hahnville

Tigers capture opening round victory but fall to top-seeded Dutchtown in second

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After scoring a first round victory on the road, Hahnville’s season came to an end at the hands of top-seeded Dutchtown as the Griffins posted a 10-0 victory over the Lady Tigers Tuesday night in the second round of the Division I non-select playoffs.

Hahnville (19-15) fell behind early in the game – Dutchtown scored three runs in the third inning to take a 4-0 lead, and kept the pressure on from there. The Griffins landed the final blow in a five run fifth inning that ended the game by the 10-run rule.

Abby Froelich pitched the complete game for Dutchtown, striking out 10 batters and walking just one in the shutout performance. She allowed three hits.

Amberly Dempster, Brazzi Jacob and Jenna Cancienne each earned hits for Hahnville. Kloe White took the loss on the mound for the Tigers.

“We just didn’t play well,” said Hahnville head softball coach Todd Schulz. “We picked the worst time in the world for our bats to go cold. Abby threw

well ... that’s the game we play. Like I told the team, at the end of the season, only one team is walking away smiling. It wasn’t our time.”

It was a different story Friday in the opening round of the playoffs. Hahnville finished the regular season just outside of the seeding needed to host a play-off game in round one, but the Lady Tigers went on the road as a potentially very dangerous No. 17 seed – and realized that potential in a 10-6 victory at No. 16 Airline. HHS was led by Amberly Dempster’s 5-RBI day to advance to round two.

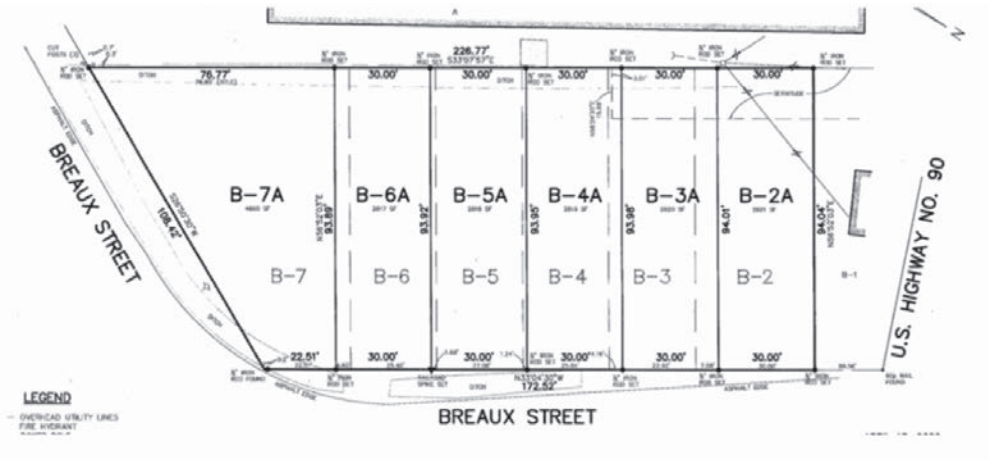
“They started off by scoring a couple of runs on us, then we kind of opened it up,” said Schulz. “We hit the ball hard. Kloe White had her first career home run and when she hit that, I think that helped her get into a groove pitching-wise.”

HHS scored five runs in the sixth inning to take a 10-3 lead, and with it full control of the game.

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Plaisance said it didn't rattle him.

"It just blew right past me – I've got seven innings to make up for it, so I'm not gonna worry about it just because it was the first run," said Plaisance. "We were really determined to beat them."

Hahnville answered and took the lead in its first chance to bat. Theriot led off the bottom of the first with a double, Guarisco singled and then an error in right field on a ball hit by Ryan Gregson led to a pair of runners scoring to give HHS a 2-1 lead.

"That's what he does," Vial said of Guarisco's production in the game. "We knew from the beginning – the game's not too big for him. He's got a great future for us as a Tiger, for sure."

Hahnville extended the lead to 4-1 in the second inning when Guarisco singled home Beau Parker, who led off the inning with a single, and Teague tripled Guarisco home.

The Tigers rolled from there – just as they have been for several games now.

"The leadership, the teamwork we have here, it's all really coming together now," said Plaisance. "We've really started

building up."

The Hahnville offense was able to produce 17 runs over two games against a Destrehan pitching staff that hasn't allowed many big offensive days; in fact over the Wildcats' previous seven games leading up to the Hahnville series, DHS had allowed just 16 total runs. Besides Hahnville, Destrehan has allowed seven runs or more only four other times this year.

"(Hahnville) is really good. It's a special group and we knew that coming in," said Destrehan head coach Chris Mire. "They're playing their best baseball at the right time ... We've got some work to do. The little things that aren't obvious on the stat sheet, giving up free bases – I think we got their leadoff guy out once or twice in two games. That's a credit to them."

"But when you start overlooking the little things and worry too much about what the scoreboard says and not why it says it, you get in these funks."

Mire said the way out of that funk is to simplify and focus on the little things that add up to good innings.

"Go back to winning a pitch,

winning an inning and just break the game down into smaller parts until things start going our way," Mire said.

DESTREHAN SPLITS TWO FOLLOWING HHS SERIES – The Wildcats bounced back after the losses to Hahnville, defeating Northlake Christian at home Saturday, 3-2. But Destrehan fell in its regular season finale at Brother Martin, 3-0.

The Wildcats (18-13) earned the No. 21 seed in Division I non-select and will travel to face No. 12 Covington (22-8) this week in an opening round series. The schedule for the best of three series had not yet been established as of press time this week.

Destrehan rallied in the bottom of the seventh inning to defeat Northlake, with DeGruy scoring the winning run from third on an error.

Jonah Haslauer went 2-for-4 with a run scored for Destrehan. Haslauer, Spencer Srubar and Jack Conravey combined to pitch seven innings of two-run ball, allowing four hits to Northlake.

LADY TIGERS from 3B

Dempster went 2-for-5 with five RBIs to lead the HHS offense. Jenna Cancienne went 2-for-4 with two RBIs and a run scored. Kloe White went 2-for-4 with a double, a run and two RBIs and Morgan DeJean went 2-for-3 with a triple three runs scored. Cancienne, White and Dempster each hit a home run in the game. Adeline Bertrand and Jordyn Chaix each scored two runs.

White went the complete game on the mound to earn the win. She allowed three earned runs on nine hits and a walk, striking out two.

It was a season of high peaks and low valleys for the Tigers, who at their best scored wins over some of the state's very best teams, but also struggled to find consistency or string together a long stretch of wins.

"It was kind of a roller-coaster. There were good times and bad times ... sometimes something good happened right when we needed it, sometimes bad things came at the absolute wrong time. It's the nature of the beast."

While Schulz and his team hoped to go a bit further this year, though, Schulz said this was a very enjoyable group to work with all year long. The

team will lose four seniors, all core players, and Schulz said they'll leave large shoes to fill.

"It's a good group, a fun group that always kept me on my toes," Schulz said. "They have some strong personalities. They've played ball with each other forever ... they'll be missed for sure. We'll have to find the puzzle pieces to fill in."

"I told the girls (Tuesday), the hardest speech is to talk to the seniors at the end of the season, because you know next year you're not gonna have Morgan DeJean, or Addy Bertrand, or Brianna (Keller) making her smart aleck comments, or Kloe being Kloe."

Several talented players will be back, though, including freshman Jordyn Chaix, who took over the leadoff batter role for the Tigers in her first season of prep ball.

"She's got that mindset of wanting to play at the next level and we'll do our best to get her there," Schulz said. "It's always exciting to have a freshman come into a 5A power program and leadoff all season. It'll be a lot of fun to watch her grow over the next few years."



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Firefighters deal with live fire scenarios at training school

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The Luling Volunteer Fire Department held an intensive training school for 45 firefighters over the weekend, which included live fire scenarios to teach them how to navigate different situations under fire and smoke conditions.

“The benefits from this training is giving our members different techniques on how to run different types of incidents,” Stephen Stromeyer, training chief for the Luling Volunteer Fire Department, said. “It also gave our newer members the opportunity to experience live fire conditions.”

Along with local firefighters, those who took part in the training also came

from Jefferson Parish and Thibodaux.

Training began on Friday night with a seminar and was followed by hands-on training on Saturday. This is only the second time this event was held locally, with the first being held last October. Stromeyer said the class went extremely well and that the department will be hosting these events two to three times per year.

He added that all fire departments in St. Charles Parish are actively looking for volunteers and he urged those interested to reach out to their local fire departments for more information.

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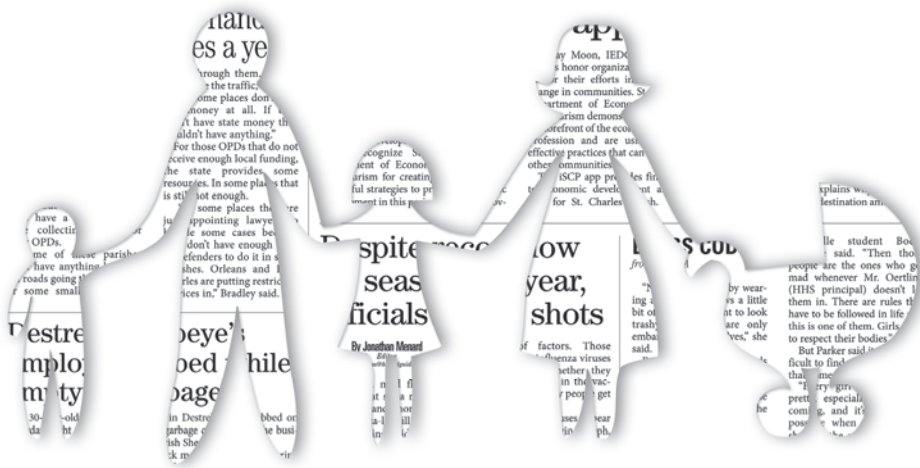
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Public Notice

ST. CHARLES PARISH
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

THE ST. CHARLES PARISH ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT WILL MEET ON APRIL 25, 2024 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE PARISH COURTHOUSE LOCATED AT 15045 RIVER ROAD, HAHNVILLE TO HEAR:

POSTPONED CASE:

2024-4-ZBA requested by **Tyler Wilson** to reduce the minimum building elevation at **240 Whitley Drive, Des Allemands**. Zoning District R-1A(M). Council District 4.

NEW CASES:

2024-11-ZBA requested by **Gena Favaloro** to reduce the minimum building elevation at **113 Verdin Lane, Paradis**. Zoning District R-1A(M). Council District 4.

2024-12-ZBA requested by **Tyra Robinson** to reduce the minimum building elevation at **16545 Old Spanish Trail, Des Allemands**. Zoning District R-1A(M). Council District 4.

2024-13-ZBA requested by **Kristen Latiolais** to reduce the minimum building elevation at **209 Matthew Drive, Des Allemands**. Zoning District R-1A(M). Council District 4.

ALTERNATE DATE: NONE

PUBLISH 4/11, 4/18, 4/25

Public Notice



ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

ST. CHARLES PARISH HOSPITAL

Sealed bids will be received at the St. Charles Parish Hospital in Luling, Louisiana until 2:00 PM, Wednesday, May 1, 2024, at which time bids will be opened in public on the 2nd floor MOB Suite 2230 at 2:30 for the following:

VITROS 5.1
Serial #: 3400 0805

VITROS 5600
Serial #: 5600 1491

All bids should be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked

“BID ON VITROS-DO NOT OPEN UNTIL BID OPENING”

including bid amount, name, address and telephone number. Address envelope to St. Charles Parish Hospital, P. O. 87, Luling, LA 70070, Attention: Thomas Duplantis.

Any bid received after 2:00 PM – Wednesday, May 1, 2024, shall be returned to the bidder unopened.

St. Charles Parish Hospital reserves the right to reject any, and all bids and to waive any informalities incidental hereto.

Bidders need not be present for opening of bids.

PUBLISH: April 11, 2024
April 18, 2024
April 25, 2024

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE
ST. CHARLES PARISH
REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) FOR
CATERING SERVICES

St. Charles Parish is interested in procuring the services of 3 qualified caterers to provide full-service **catering services** at the Edward A. Dufresne Community Center, located at 274 Judge Edward Dufresne Parkway, Luling, Louisiana. Selection as an authorized caterer is non-exclusive and only indicates that the caterer will be placed on the approved in-house catering list at the Edward A. Dufresne Community Center.

The selection of the caterers will involve a two-tiered evaluation process. Under the Tier 1 evaluation, all responses to this RFQ will be evaluated according to the criteria and corresponding point system in the RFQ package. Based on the results of the Tier 1 evaluation, finalists will be selected and invited to complete the Tier 2 evaluation which will involve interview(s) based on evaluation criteria that will be provided at the time of the invitation. The award will be made to the most qualified respondents whose qualifications statements and interviews are deemed most advantageous to St. Charles Parish and all factors are considered.

Interested parties are invited to secure a RFQ package from Anedra Coleman, Assistant Director-St. Charles Parish Parks and Recreation 274 Judge Edward A. Dufresne Parkway, Luling, LA 70070. Phone 985-783-5090. The RFQ package may also be obtained by emailing a request to acoleman@stcharlesgov.net

Responses must be hand-delivered or mailed to Anedra Coleman, Assistant Director-St. Charles Parish Parks and Recreation at the Edward A. Dufresne Community Center 274 Judge Edward A. Dufresne Parkway, Luling, LA 70070 in such a manner that it is received no later than **10:00 A.M., April 19, 2024**.

St. Charles Parish Government is an Equal Opportunity Employer. We encourage all small and minority-owned firms and women’s business enterprises to apply. Persons requiring reasonable accommodation to respond to this solicitation are requested to contact Anedra Coleman at 985-783-5090 to discuss their particular needs.

Advertisement Sources and Dates:

St. Charles Parish Website
St. Charles Parish Herald Guide
The Advocate

Thursday, March 21, 2024
Thursday, March 28, 2024
Thursday, April 4, 2024
Thursday, April 11, 2024
Thursday, April 18, 2024

Public Notice

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

THE ST. CHARLES PARISH PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION WILL MEET ON MAY 2, 2024 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE PARISH COURTHOUSE LOCATED AT 15045 RIVER ROAD, HAHNVILLE TO HEAR:

POSTPONED CASES:

2024-2-MIN requested by **Seth and Christine Matherne** for a resubdivision of one lot into three, **584 Magnolia Ridge Road, Boutte**. Zoning District O-L. Council District 4.

NEW CASES:

2024-5-HOP requested by **Alicen Breaux** for a home occupation – “Rise + Grind” a mobile coffee trailer – at **224 Grand Bayou Road, Des Allemands**. Council District 4.

2024-7-R requested by **Ladarrel Eastman** for a change of zoning from R-1A to R-2 on Lot 17, Block K, Magnolia Ridge Park Subdivision, **adjacent to 147 Spruce Street, Boutte**. Council District 4.

2024-8-R requested by **Wadhah Alhusseini** for a change of zoning from R-1A(M) to C-3 on Lot 77-B, Magnolia Ridge Subdivision and R-3 to C-3 on approximately 4 acres of a 6.09 acre undesignated lot, **13517 Highway 90 and 242 Magnolia Ridge Road, Boutte**. Council District 4.

2024-9-R requested by **Traci L. Johnson for Luling Exchange, LLC** for a change of zoning from R-1A, R-3, and C-3 to C-3 and M-2 on approximately 250 acres designated Tract L, Davis Plantation, **11831 River Road, Luling**. Council District 2.

2024-10-R requested by **Geraldine M. Sanders, et als** for a change of zoning from O-L to R-1A on approximately 50 acres of a property designated Tract 6A, **223 Joe Louis Lane, Hahnville**. Council District 1.

ALTERNATE DATE: 5/9

PUBLISH: 4/18, 4/25, 5/2

Public Notice



ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

A. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

Sealed bids are requested by St. Charles Parish School Board from general contractors for construction of:

ST. CHARLES PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
CENTRAL OFFICE RENOVATION AND EXPANSION

Bids will be received at the **St. Charles Parish School Board**, Physical Plant Services, 13855 River Road, Luling, Louisiana 70070 at **3:00 P.M., LOCAL TIME, May 14, 2024**, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Board Room.

B. BID DOCUMENTS AND DEPOSITS

Complete Bid Documents for this project are available in electronic form. They may be obtained without charge and without deposit by visiting the public projects area at www.cityblueprint.com. Printed copies are not available from the Designer, but arrangements can be made to obtain them through City Blueprint & Supply Co. or most other reprographic firms. Please note that Plan holders are responsible for their own reproduction costs. Questions about this procedure shall be directed to:

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All other questions regarding the scope of work of the project should be directed to the Project Architect in writing via email only: tabb@murrayarchitects.net.

C. BID SECURITY AND PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENTS BONDS

Bids must be accompanied by a bid security at least equal to five percent (5%) of the base bid and all additive alternates in the form of a certified check, cashier’s check or bid bond. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a performance bond and a payment bond, each in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount.

Contract, if awarded, will be on the basis of the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, if within the budget. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of 45 days after bid opening except as provided by law.

Bidders must meet the requirements of the State of Louisiana Contractor’s Licensing Law, R.S. 37:2151 et seq.

D. REJECTION OF BIDS

St. Charles Parish School Board reserves the right to award the project on whatever basis is in the interest of the Owner and to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive technicalities and informalities as allowed by law.

E. PRE-BID CONFERENCE

A PRE-BID CONFERENCE will be held at the **St. Charles Parish School Board Dufresne Conference Room, 13855 River Road, Luling, LA on May 7, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.** Attendance at this pre-bid conference is **Mandatory**.

F. ADVERTISEMENT DATES

LEGAL AD TO RUN: April 18, 2024
April 25, 2024
May 2, 2024

St. Charles Parish Public Schools
Ellis A. Alexander, President
Dr. Ken Oertling, Superintendent
13855 River Road
Luling, LA 70070

Public Notice

The River Road Historical Society is applying to the St. Charles Parish Sheriff’s Office for a permit to conduct the **2nd Annual Jeff Rocks Back the Clock** at Destrehan Plantation, 13034 River Road, Destrehan, LA 70047 in the Parish of St. Charles.

Alcohol will be served at this event.

Date and time of the festival: **Sunday, May 19, 2024 from 12:00pm until 8:00pm**

Publish: April 11 and 18, 2024

Public Notice

“I, **Quiana Andry** , DOC #739670, have applied for clemency for my convictions of SCHEDULE IV. If you have any comments, contact the Board of Pardons (225)342-5421.”

Publish: April 11, 18 & 25, 2024

Public Notice

We are applying to the Commissioner of Alcohol and Tobacco Control of the State of Louisiana for a permit to sell beverages of **Low and High** alcohol-ic content at retail in the Parish of St. Charles at the following address: **Twisted Waffles Café, LLC**
12371 Highway 90, Suite A
Luling, LA 70070
Owner: Orlando and Jennifer Matthews

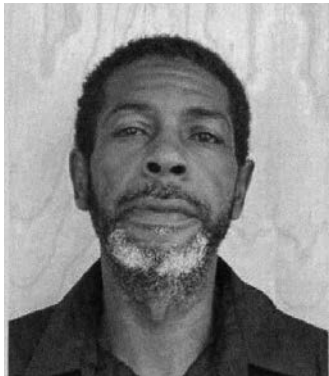
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Public Notice

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **Raquel Dubroc Berger, (A/K/A Raquel A. Berger, Raquel Berger), Jeffrey J. Berger, Jr. (A/K/A Jeffrey Berger, Jr., Jeffrey J. Berger, Jeffrey Berger)** please contact the law office of Mr. Salvatore’ G. Lovecchio, Attorney at Law, in person: 943 Paul Maillard Road, Luling, Louisiana, by mail: PO Box 423, Boutte, LA 70039 or phone 985-785-7788. Important property right involved.

Publish: April 11 and 18, 2024

Public Notice



I, **Aaron D. White** have been convicted of **Forcible Rape**, Date of Conviction: June 22, 1992. My address is: 332 Pioneer St, Hahnville, LA.

RACE: Black
SEX: Male
DOB: 03/13/1976
HGT: 6’3”
WGT: 215
HAIR COLOR: Black
EYE COLOR: Brown

PUBLISH: April 11 & 18, 2024

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE
REMOVAL OF WEEDS, GRASS & OTHER NOXIOUS MATTER
If the following violations are not rectified within (5) days of this published notice, the parish will proceed in bringing the properties listed in compliance with Chapter 16, Article III Sec. 16-24 through Sec. 16-28. (As amended). The fee for performing these services shall be at a rate of 0.037 per square foot of the lot cleaned. The contractor's fee for performing these services shall be at the rate of 0.029 per square foot of the lot cleaned. In the event a mini-clean up is required prior to performing the above services, a fee of \$58.61 per mini clean up plus actual disposal fees will be assessed, not to exceed then (10) mini-cleanups per property in violation. On property where trash and/or debris accumulation is such that it requires heavy equipment, bulldozer, front-end loaders, etc. a fee of forty-three dollars and eighty six cents (\$43.96) per cubic yard will be assessed. An administration fee of \$36.63 may be assessed on each invoice. The fees in this section shall be increased or decreased on February first of each year by a change in CIP applicable to the US cities average group, all urban consumers, all items published by the US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, for the preceding twelve-month period ending each November. The change shall become effective beginning with the period ending November 30, 2000. The department of finance shall notify the department of planning and zoning in writing annually of the revised fees.
The following lots are in violation of parish ordinance Chapter 16, Article III Sec. 16-24 through Sec. 16-33:

- Sean Michael Stevens
315 Amelia St., Destrehan, LA 70047
Lot 32
Block A
Subdivision: Gabriel Heights Subd.
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Loise Faye Miller N. – E* Marcel
316 Amelia St., Destrehan, LA 70047
Lot 9
Block D
Subdivision: Gabriel Heights Subd.
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Ronald A. Surmik
313 St. Rose Ave., St. Rose, LA 70087
Lot 8A
Block F
Subdivision: St. Rose Subd.
Nature of violation: Grass cutting & removal of debris

Keith M. Maurin
116 Amelia St., Destrehan, LA 70047
Lot 9
Block B
Subdivision: Gabriel Heights Subd.
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F. ADVERTISEMENT DATES

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 April 25, 2024
 May 2, 2024

St. Charles Parish Public Schools
Ellis A. Alexander, President
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13855 River Road
Luling, LA 70070

Public Notice

A PUBLIC AUCTION
THURSDAY, MAY 02, 2024 AT 1:00PM
SURPLUS FROM ST CHARLES PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE

LOCATION: Manheim Lafayette
1611 St. Mary Street
Scott, LA 70583

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Auction conducted by: MANHEIM LAFAYETTE (RENEE TORINA)
1611 St. Mary Street, Scott, LA 70583 (337) 237-5620

Publish: April 18 & 25, 2024

Public Notice

Monday, March 11, 2024
~~9-1-1 Communications Center~~
Council Chambers

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE (9-1-1)
ST. CHARLES PARISH COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT**

PRESENT:
Major Sam Zinna, Sheriff's Office Representative
Chief Oliver Dufrene, Firemen's Association
Chief Michael Heath, Parish Council Representative
EMS Director Huey Marcel, St. Charles Hospital Representative
Amanda Pertuis, Sheriff's Office Representative
Amber Walsh, Minute Clerk

ABSENT:
Captain Johnny Bourgeois, Firemen's Association
Chief Armond Bourque, Parish President's Representative

IN ATTENDANCE:
Ravenel Mixon / 9-1-1 Director
Angel Maranto / 9-1-1 Assistant Director
Lace Perrin / 9-1-1 Training Manager

CALL TO ORDER:
Major Zinna called the Monday, March 11, 2024 meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the St. Charles Parish Communications District to order at 5:00 p.m., which was held in the Council Chambers.

SILENT PRAYER & PLEDGE:
Time for a silent prayer was given followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
Motion was made by Mr. Marcel and seconded by Chief Heath approving minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, February 19, 2024.
YEAS: ZINNA, DUFRENE, HEATH, MARCEL, PERTUIS
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: BOURGEOIS, BOURQUE
Motion carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES:
A. SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORT:
Motion was made by Mrs. Pertuis and seconded by Mr. Marcel approving payment of Herald/Guide Invoice # 117898 dated February 29, 2024 in the amount of \$132.84.
YEAS: ZINNA, DUFRENE, HEATH, MARCEL, PERTUIS
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: BOURGEOIS, BOURQUE
Motion carried.
B. 9-1-1 DIRECTOR'S REPORT:
Assistant Director Angel Maranto gave a brief overview on personnel, maintenance, etc., for the 9-1-1 Communications Center.

UNFINISHED OLD BUSINESS:
NONE

NEW BUSINESS:
A. Motion was made by Mr. Marcel and seconded by Chief Heath to approve an invoice from Biddle Consulting Group, Inc. for Test Genius CritiCall annual software subscription license renewal that will expire February 17, 2025 in the amount of \$2,633.93.
YEAS: ZINNA, DUFRENE, HEATH, MARCEL, PERTUIS
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: BOURGEOIS, BOURQUE
Motion carried.
B. Motion was made by Mr. Marcel and seconded by Mrs. Pertuis to approve annual Higher Ground Recording System Maintenance Agreement with Electronic Business Systems, Inc. for the term 3-14-2024 to 3-14-2025 in the amount of \$9,961.00.
YEAS: ZINNA, DUFRENE, HEATH, MARCEL, PERTUIS
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: BOURGEOIS, BOURQUE
Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Maj. Zinna announced that the annual state audit report for the legislative auditor is finished and will be sent.
The next regular meeting will be held Monday, April 8, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.
Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Marcel and seconded by Mrs. Pertuis.
YEAS: ZINNA, DUFRENE, HEATH, MARCEL, PERTUIS
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: BOURGEOIS, BOURQUE
Motion carried.
There being no further business Maj. Zinna adjourned the meeting at 5:07 p.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FOREGOING TO BE EXACT AND TRUE.

ATTEST: *Maj. Sam Zinna (Sig.)* ATTEST: *Johnny Bourgeois (Sig.)*
SAM ZINNA, PRESIDENT
ST. CHARLES PARISH COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT (9-1-1)
JOHNNY BOURGEOIS, SECRETARY/TREASURER
ST. CHARLES PARISH COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT (9-1-1)

Publish: April 18, 2024

Public Notice

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **Frank Rousseau's** heirs or descendants, please contact the Law Office of Joseph Rochelle at 110 Avenue of Oaks, Destrehan, LA 70047, or by calling 985-722-4003.

Publish: April 18 and 25, 2024

Sheriff's Sale

**SHERIFF'S SALE STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF ST. CHARLES SUIT NO. 92, 729-D
ALLIED FIRST BANK, SB DBA SERV BANK
VS
MANDY LYNN SAVOIE, (A/K/A MANDY L. SAVOIE)**

By virtue of and in obedience to a writ of seizure and sale directed to me by the Honorable 29th JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT in and for the PARISH OF ST. CHARLES, State of Louisiana, dated: September 15, 2023, in the above entitled and numbered cause, I shall proceed to sell at public auction at the principal front door of the courthouse of which the Civil District Court of the Parish of St. Charles is held on WEDNESDAY, May 22, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., to the last and highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to wit:
ONE CERTAIN LOT OR PORTION OF GROUND, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all the rights, ways, means, privileges, servitudes, apputienances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana and forming a part of Ellington Plantation.
According to a survey entitled "Resubdivision of Lots 1,2,3 and 48 feet of Lot 4, Square 105, Ellington Addition to the Town of Luling into Lots 1-A and 4-A located in Sections 13, 14 and 15 T13S R20E by Joseph A. Vitrano, 614 Milling Avenue and Stanley Petit, 603 Ellington Avenue, Luling, St. Charles Parish, Louisiana, by R.P. Bernard, Registered Surveyor, dated August 5, 1993, and approved by the St. Charles Planning President on September 15, 1993 and the Director of Planning & Zoning on September 13, 1993. Said resubdivision approval was recorded in COB. 470, folio 619. Said lot is lot 4-A and is more particularly described as follows: Lot mortgaged herein is LOT 4-A which measures 110 feet front on Ellington Avenue, same width i11 the rear, by a depth of 150.00 feet between equal and parallel lines, all as more fully shown on survey by R.P. Bernard & Associates dated 8/5/1993, copy of which is recorderp at COB 470, folio 619 in the records of St. Charles Parish, LA. Which has the address of 603 Ellington Avenue, Luling, LA 70070 And from the proceeds of said sale to pay petitioner by preference over all other claims, the sum of: **ONE HUNDRED THIRTY SIX THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY-EIGHT AND 86/100 (\$136,988.86) DOLLARS**, along with interest and attorney's fees and all other costs including my own costs and charges.
Terms and conditions of sale:
CASH IN THE FORM OF A CASHIER'S CHECK DUE BY 2:00 P.M. DAY OF THE SALE.
GREG CHAMPAGNE - SHERIFF & EX-OFFICIO TAX COLLECTOR ST. CHARLES PARISH
PUBLISH ON: APRIL 18, 2024 MAY 16, 2024
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF: EMILY E. HOLLEY, ATTORNEY AT LAW 3510 N. CAUSEWAY BLVD., SUITE 600 METAIRIE, LA 70002 (504) 831-7226
***** Starting May 1st all Sheriff Sales will be held at the temporary location of 13899 River Road Luling, LA 70070 until further notice. *****
SCSO-CIV-209-0402

Public Notice

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of **Jeffrey D. Moore**, please contact the Law Office of Joseph Rochelle at 110 Avenue of Oaks, Destrehan, LA 70047, or by calling 985-722-4003.

Publish: April 18 and 25, 2024

Sheriff's Sale

SHERIFF'S SALE STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF ST. CHARLES SUIT NO. 93,888-C
MATRIX FINANCIAL SERVICES CORPORATION

VS
JACQULINE RENEE TOBIAS A/K/A JACQULINE R. TOBIAS A/K/A JACQULINE TOBIAS

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Terms and conditions of sale:
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GREG CHAMPAGNE - SHERIFF & EX-OFFICIO TAX COLLECTOR ST. CHARLES PARISH
PUBLISH ON: APRIL 18, 2024 MAY 16, 2024
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF: DENNIS F. WIGGINS, JR., ATTORNEY AT LAW
P.O. BOX 87379
BATON ROUGE, LA 70879 (504) 831-7726
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Public Notice

School Board Special Meeting (Wednesday, April 10, 2024)
Generated by Shelly Babineaux on Wednesday, April 10, 2024

Members present
Ellis A Alexander, Arthur A Aucoin, John L Smith, Alex L Suffrin, Becky Weber, Karen Boudreaux, Scott Cody

Members absent
Ray Gregson

Meeting called to order at 3:56 PM

1. Opening Items

1.01 Call To Order
Board President Ellis Alexander called the meeting to order.

2. Business Items

2.01 Property Insurance
Director of Risk Management & Insurance Darrinisha Gales introduced Rick Grub with BRK Insurance/Riverlands Insurance and presented Item 2.01 to the Board. Also present from BRK Insurance/Riverlands were Nolan Louque and Kim Plescia.

With a renewal date of April 15, 2024, Director of Risk Management & Benefits, Darrinisha Gales, has worked with the team from BRK Insurance Group/Riverlands Insurance, Inc. on the District property insurance renewal.

With the recommended insurance plan, the District will continue with favorable coverage at a competitive rate. The District will experience a rate decrease of 16% at a dollar amount of \$5,085,562.00.

A presentation was also made on a parametric wind policy and discussions were held including searching other school districts with like policies and timelines to implement.

Approve the renewal of property insurance with BRK Insurance Group/Riverlands Insurance, Inc.

Motion by Scott Cody, second by Arthur A Aucoin.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: Ellis A Alexander, Arthur A Aucoin, John L Smith, Alex L Suffrin, Becky Weber, Karen Boudreaux, Scott Cody

3. Closing Items

3.01 Meeting Adjourn
Motion to Adjourn

Motion by Karen Boudreaux, second by Scott Cody.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: Ellis A Alexander, Arthur A Aucoin, John L Smith, Alex L Suffrin, Becky Weber, Karen Boudreaux, Scott Cody

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Public Notice

NOTICE OF PENDING FORFEITURE

On March 5, 2024, the below described property was taken into evidence, said property was identified as seized and forfeiture of said property is pending, pursuant to Louisiana R.S. 40:2600 et seq., to the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office:

APPROXIMATELY 142 GRAMS OF MARIJUANA, ONE (1) IPHONE STYLE CELL PHONE and THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$3,500.00) IN U.S. CURRENCY.

The property was seized with respect to the alleged violation of Section 2603 and Section 2604 of the Seizure and Controlled Dangerous Substances Property Act of 1989 and will be forfeited pursuant to that Act.

If you desire to contest the forfeiture of this property, you must mail a claim, **certified mail/return receipt**, to the seizing agency, St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office, P. O. Box 426, Hahnville, LA 70057, **AND** to the District Attorney's Office of the Twenty-Ninth Judicial District Court for the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana, P. O. Box 680, Hahnville, LA 70057, ATTN: MARK F. LOPEZ, Assistant District Attorney, stating your interest and/or claim in the above described property.

YOU MUST MAIL THIS CLAIM VIA CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS FROM April 18, 2024.

Under R.S. 40:2610, the claim shall be in affidavit form, signed by the claimant under oath, before one who has the authority to administer the oath, under penalty of perjury or false swearing. It shall set forth: (1) the caption of the forfeiture proceedings; (2) the physical address where the claimant resides and the post office address where the claimant will accept mail; (3) the nature and extent of claimant's interest in the property; (4) the date and identity of the transferor/seller; and the circumstances of the claimant's acquisition of the said property; (5) the specific provisions of this law asserting that the property is not subject to forfeiture; (6) all essential facts supporting the assertion; and (7) the specific relief sought.

The failure to timely mail a claim to the seizing agency and the District Attorney's Office of the Twenty-Ninth Judicial District Court for the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana will result in forfeiture of the property to the State of Louisiana without further notice or hearing.

JOEL T. CHAISSON, II
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

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Public Notice

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS
INTRODUCED FOR PUBLIC HEARING
BY THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL,
ON MONDAY, MAY 6, 2024, 6:00 P.M.,
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, PARISH
COURTHOUSE, 15045 RIVER ROAD,
HAHNVILLE:

2024-0137 (4/15/24, Jewell, M. Bingham)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 2 (Final) for the Ellington Structures-Kellogg Pump Station T-Wall Project No. P080905-5F, CPRA Project No. BA-0244, as part of the West Bank Hurricane Protection Levee Project, to decrease the contract amount by \$76,103.06 and decrease the contract time by forty-one (41) days.

2024-0151 (4/15/24, Jewell, D. Foret)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Lease Agreement between the St. Charles Parish School Board and St. Charles Parish Department of Parks and Recreation for the use of various school sites for recreational purposes.

2024-0153 (4/15/24, Jewell)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Grace Hebert Curtis Architects, LLC, to perform architectural services for a St. Charles Parish Library Hahnville Branch, in the amount not to exceed \$387,941.00.

2024-0154 (4/15/24, Jewell, M. Albert)

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification from R-1A to C-3 on Lots 3 and 4, Block 1A1, Good Hope Plantation Subdivision, 878 Marino Drive, Norco, as requested by Darryle Keith and Kristi Lott for Keith Lott's Plumbing, LLC.

2024-0155 (4/15/24, Jewell, M. Albert)

An ordinance to amend the St. Charles Parish Zoning Ordinance of 1981, to change the zoning classification from R-1A to R-2 on Lots 6A, 6B, 6C, and 6D, being a Resubdivision of Lot 6, Gassen Estate, Luling as requested by Richard D. Whitney Jr. for Whitney Properties XII, LLC.

2024-0156 (4/15/24, Jewell, M. Bingham)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Contract with Barriere Construction Co., L.L.C., for the Willowdale Turn Lane (Project No. P230804), in the amount of \$389,442.70.

2024-0157 (4/15/24, Jewell, B. Messerly)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 2 for the St. Charles Parish Courthouse 2nd Floor Renovation, (Project No. GBCH0518), to decrease the contract amount by \$75,539.00.

2024-0158 (4/15/24, Jewell, B. Messerly)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of Change Order No. 3 for the SCP E. Dufresne Community Center Ida & Window Repairs, (Project No. EDCC 0322), to increase the contract amount by \$17,178.00 and increase the contract time by 125 days.

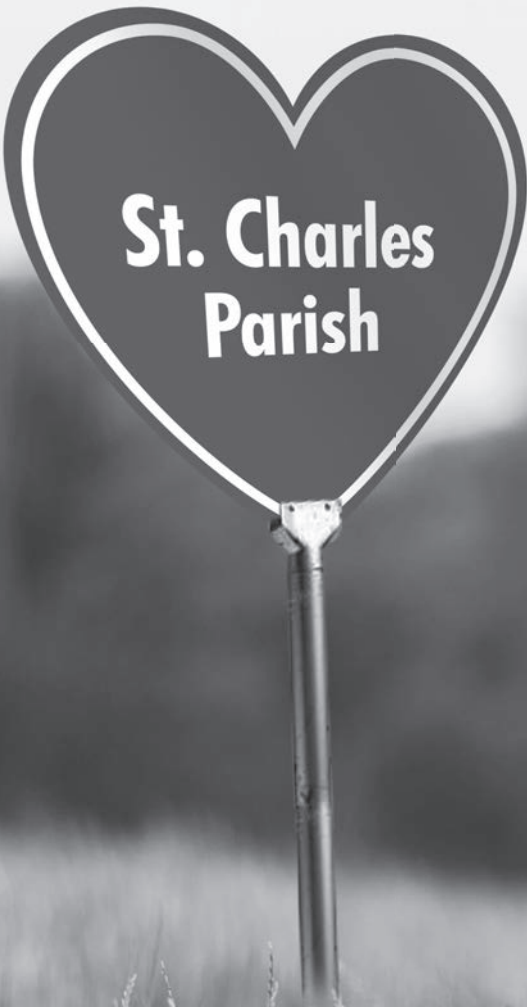
2024-0159 (4/15/24, Jewell, B. Messerly)

An ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Contract with Battco Construction and Maintenance, Inc., for the St. Charles Parish 1st Floor Courthouse Renovation (Project No. NO-GBCH023), in the amount of \$1,965,000.00.

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