

\$46 Million Facility for 2,400 Students Nearly Complete

School Complex Rises



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CENTRAL SCHOOL COMPLEX NEARING COMPLETION — The \$46 million, 87.5-acre Central School Complex on Sullivan Road is nearing completion. The facility will include Central Middle School and Central Intermediate School. With a capacity of 2,400 students, the complex will begin with 900 middle schoolers and 1,000 intermediate schoolers.

Full-Court Press to Finish Construction by May



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CONSTRUCTION coordinator Ross Bogan inspects entrance to Central Middle School.

CENTRAL — Here are some facts about the new Central School Complex now under construction:
Central School Complex
Where: 12636 Sullivan Road in the City of Central, LA.

When: Completion set for late May or early June. Move-in planned for early June in anticipation of school opening in August.
Size: 87.5 acres stretching from See \$46 MILLION on Page 8

Craftsmen Flood Construction Site To Complete New \$46 Million Facility

Woody Jenkins
 Editor, Central City News

CENTRAL — The new Central School Complex, currently under construction on Sullivan Road, is a beehive of activity as the general contractor and its subcontractors fight to finish the project by late May. On any given day, hundreds of workers are at the building site, including masons, plumbers, electricians, and craftsmen installing floors and finishing walls. Outside the buildings, dirt and concrete work is continuing.

School officials hope to start moving in by early June and be See A FIRST on Page 4



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FINISHING TOUCHES — A craftsman works on ceiling at Central School Complex.

Cafeteria Will Seat 1,200 for Community Meetings



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DINING HALL IN CAFETERIA BUILDING — The new Central School Complex on Sullivan Road will include a 32,316-square-foot Cafeteria Building with a capacity of serving 2,400 meals at lunchtime. The dining hall, shown above, can be divided into three separate sections or can be opened up to seat up to 1,200 people for community events.

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LES BUCHE RECEIVES LeSAGE AWARD — Les Bueche (right), the Voice of the Wildcats, was honored for his dedicated service to Central football with the LeSage Award, presented by Coach David LeSage (left). Coach Sid Edwards praised Bueche for his service.

Central City News Endorsement

Santorum Is Best Choice in March 24 Primary

A True Conservative, Rick Santorum Has Best Chance to Win Over Barack Obama

Hang onto your hat!

In anticipation of Louisiana's March 24 Presidential Primary, you are about to be deluged with \$3 to \$5 million in hateful, negative advertising coming from Gov. Mitt Romney and his SuperPac.

Gov. Romney has in his gunsights on former Sen. Rick Santorum, whom he will label "fiscally irresponsible" and not a "true conservative." Nothing could be further from the truth!

The voting record of Rick Santorum is one of the finest by any member of Congress in the past generation. He has been a stalwart conservative leader on issue after issue. Before you fall for Gov. Romney's attacks, please consider the source.

Gov. Romney has never been known as a conservative.

It was Gov. Romney who pushed through **Romneycare**, the mandatory health care legislation upon which **Obamacare** was based.

It was Gov. Romney who came out and openly supported the **Wall Street Bailouts**.

It was Gov. Romney who ran for Governor on a **pro-abortion** platform, saying, "I support Roe vs. Wade."

It was Gov. Romney who said he believes in **man-made global warming**.

It was Gov. Romney who said, while running against Sen. Ted Kennedy for the U. S. Senate that "I am **more liberal than Kennedy**."

In his attack ads against Sen. Santorum, Gov. Romney will cherry pick isolated votes from Santorum's record over a 16-year period.

Today, Gov. Romney is running as a conservative, and that's a good thing. We hope he has changed his beliefs. But we strongly disagree with his high-handed attacks against a **proven conservative** with a splendid conservative record. Santorum is an honorable man with high morals and an unblemished character.

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Sen. Rick Santorum

Gov. Romney's attacks are unfair and down-right wrong.

The main thing going for Gov. Romney is the mantra — repeated over and over again — that he is the strongest candidate to oppose Obama this November.

Quite frankly, that is ridiculous!

In this primary season, Gov. Romney has been able to use his enormous personal wealth and the wealth of his friends who donate to his SuperPac to throw mud at his opponents — millions of dollars in mud in each separate state. As each challenger has arisen, Romney has attacked and destroyed him with vicious, negative campaigns.

But here's the problem: In the fall, Obama will have over \$1 billion to

spend — probably four times what Romney will have. If Romney is the nominee, Obama will spend most of that \$1 billion attacking Romney.

And Gov. Romney will be destroyed. He won't be a strong nominee but a weak one. Why? First, Romney won't have the best issues a Republican can run on this year.

Gov. Romney won't be able to run against Obamacare, because Romney authored Romneycare, upon which Obamacare was modeled.

Gov. Romney won't be able to run against Wall Street Bailouts, because he supported them.

And he won't be able to run on jobs, because Massachusetts was among the worst states in America in job creation when he was governor.

Obama will take every liberal statement Romney has ever made and run it in 30-second spots.

By the time Obama is through, conservatives will be so disillusioned with Romney that some will stay home. They will say, "There's not a dime's worth of difference!"

And that's all Obama needs to get reelected. Just a few staying home.

From the standpoint of Central, Rick Santorum is just like us — a blue collar conservative Christian who thinks right on social and economic issues.

He's a warrior, a visionary, a principled conservative, young and attractive, and a great debater. He'll be a great President.

And he **can** win!

He can win for two reasons:

First, he will motivate Republican voters to enthusiastically work for his election.

Second, he will bring blue-collar Democrats into the Republican fold — the people Romney can't bring — who are essential to victory.

Don't be deceived by Romney's mailouts and 30-second attacks, Santorum is our best candidate to beat Obama this fall.

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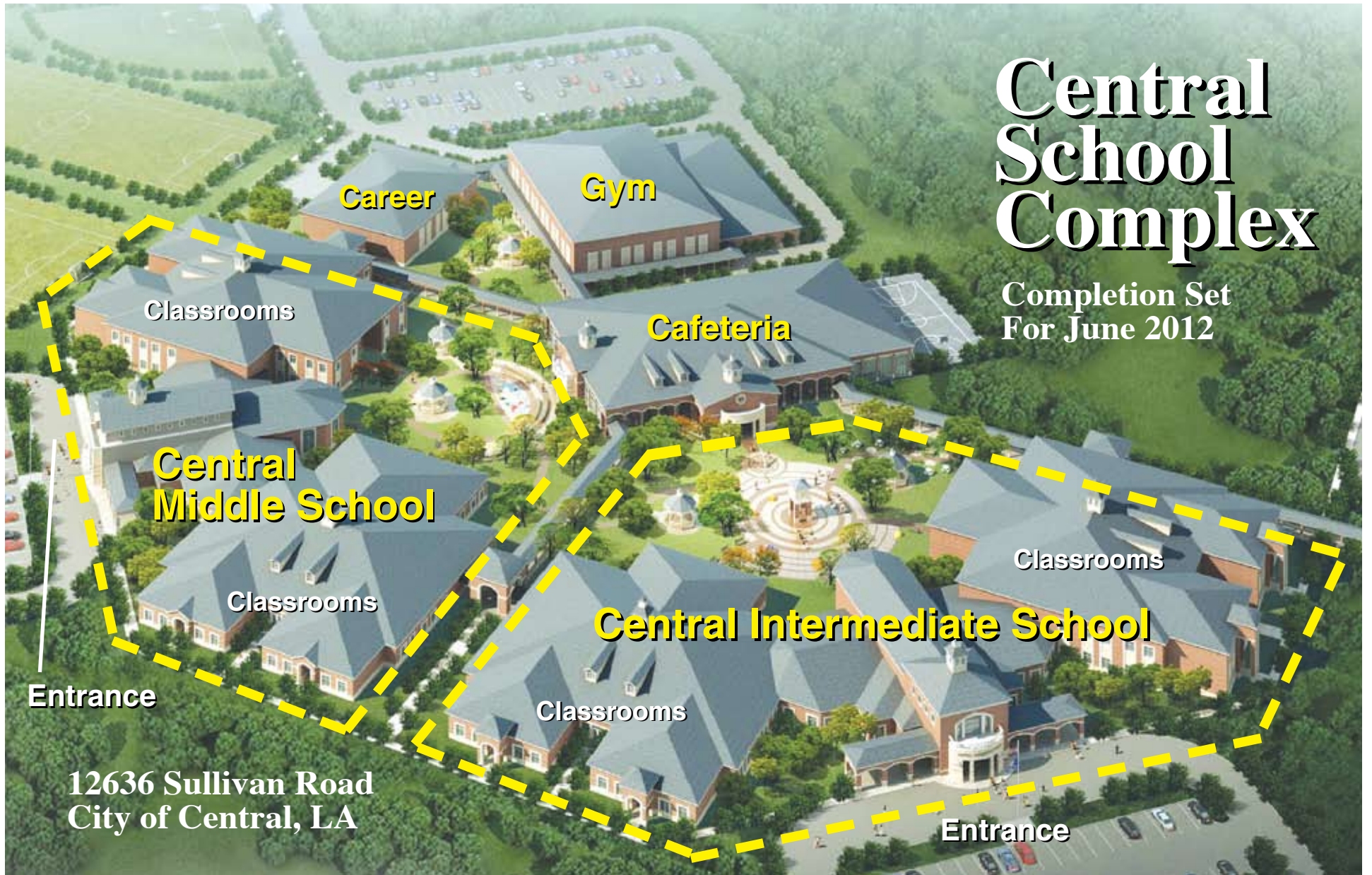
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Central to Elect Member Of GOP Parish Committee

CENTRAL — Republican voters in East Baton Rouge Parish will go to the polls on Saturday, March 24 to elect 17 members of the Republican Parish Executive Committee, the official governing body of the GOP in the parish. Five members will be elected at-large parishwide, while 12 will be elected from the 12 Metro Council districts.



Shelton

In Metro Council District 4, which includes most of Central, voters will choose between Jr. Shelton and Billy Thompson, who issued the following statements:
"It is with great pride that I announce my candidacy for a seat on the Republican Parish Executive Committee from District 4. Over the last several years, the Republican Party has strayed from its conservative principles, and the work of this local committee can help assure a return to solid conservative efforts by the Republican Party. At the grassroots level, we can help lay the foundation for conservative change at the state and national levels. This committee endorses candidates who seek election, but I want it to be proactive and help seek candidates who will take the conservative message to the voters and thus help public policy return to the fundamental conservative direction this country so desperately needs. While this is a local committee, your vote is very important to the overall work of the Republican Party."

"I have a strong business background and have been a lifelong Republican. As a local realtor, I fear the effects of non-conservative policies are undermining not only our basic pursuit of the American

dream of homeownership, but also a deterioration of our economy. The members of this committee need to have a background that can direct the efforts of the committee in economic and political decisions. As a graduate of the LSU School of Business and a businessman with 40 years experience, I know what small



Thompson

business owners go through everyday. As a devout Christian, I want our city, state, and country to stand on the faith our forefathers fought for and keep God in our lives. A father of four and grandfather of five, I am concerned about how our country will develop over the next decades. Please help me serve you and vote for me for the Republican Parish Executive Committee on March 24. It would be my pleasure to work for you!"

Billy Thompson
As Central's current representative to the Republican Parish Executive Committee, retired maintenance manager Billy Thompson brought the Republican Roundtable to Central and has kept the community aware of the party's functions. He has attended almost every Republican Party function since becoming the Parish Executive representative and has been involved in the Republican endorsement process. Mr. Thompson also seeks election to the State Central Committee, giving the community consistent representation at the local and state level. Mr. Thompson's goal is to endorse Republican candidates of high character who will stand up for the conservative principles of this community." In his race for State Central Committee, Mr. Thompson faces Brennan Easley.



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A First Look Inside Classroom Buildings

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HALLWAYS IN CENTRAL INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL — Hallways in the intermediate school are in various stages of completion. Photos (left to right) show progress.



CLASSROOMS IN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL — Classrooms are also in different stages of completion, ranging from an unfinished shell to nearly complete (left to right).

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ready for the opening of the school year in early August. Barring a long stretch of bad weather or some calamity, they should be able to meet that goal.

The \$46 million project is located on 87.5 acres adjacent to Sullivan Road near Gurney Road. It

is part of a tract formerly owned by the Jackson family, which Jackson Place and Jackson Park were named after.

The new School Complex will include two schools — Central Intermediate School (3rd, 4th, and 5th grades) and Central Middle School (6th, 7th, and 8th grades).

It also includes enough space to build a third school at some time in the future.

The project by the Central Community School System was authorized by Central voters in May 2009. They approved a \$55 million bond issue, funded by three separate taxes — a 1/2-cent sales tax to build the new Central Middle School; a 9.25-mill property tax to meet Life Safety Code requirements at Central High, Tanglewood Elementary, and Bellingrath

Hills Elementary schools, and a 14.4-mill property tax to build a new elementary school, which will be Central Intermediate.

Property and Trees. The property being used for the School Complex was mostly open land but did include a large grove of historic live oak trees. Supt. Mike Faulk, who has led efforts to build the School Complex, made a public commitment to preserve the live oaks. So far, 31 of 32 trees have been carefully preserved throughout the construction. However, one had to be removed because of storm damage. The oak grove will present an attractive setting for the complex along Sullivan Road.

Roads. Anyone traveling to the School Complex will be able to enter on three different roads. The southernmost road will enter the property from a roundabout directly across from Gurney Road. That road will head due east and connect to Devall Road.

The second road will go from Sullivan to the parking lot in front of Central Intermediate School, which faces east toward Sullivan.

The third road will begin on Sullivan and head due east to the

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AN ART CLASSROOM AND LIBRARY — An art classroom (left) has a scenic view. The library (right) for the intermediate school will house 8,000 volumes.



STAIRWAY AND ELEVATOR — Most students will use the stairways (left), but each school will also have an elevator (right). Plans (center) will soon be part of history.



RESTROOMS COULD RAISE PRIVACY ISSUE — Restrooms in the intermediate school have an open front to the hallway. Boys go to right and girls to left with both sexes using the two wash basins. Privacy issues could be raised by the fact that a glance around the corner would expose a lot. Also, bathroom sounds could be evident in the common area and in hallways.

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front of Central Middle School, and then head south, connecting to the first road and forming a circle around the School Complex. Central Middle faces north.

Two Identical Schools. Each of the schools is virtually identical to the other and consists of an administrative building, flanked by

a classroom building on each side. So each school consists of three buildings, and the two schools together have six buildings.

Each of the schools has its own library. Each library is located in the administrative building. A visitor will enter through the administrative building and, if he contin-

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Cafeteria Will Serve 2,400 in Three Shifts



CAFETERIA BUILDING — The cafeteria building at the School Complex will have 32,316 square feet and offer a large dining hall. Outside stages are shown at left and right.

Cafeteria Will Also Host Assemblies, Banquets, Forums Up to 1,200 People

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ues straight ahead, will walk right into the library.

Other Buildings. Besides the two schools, the complex includes three additional buildings — a Career/Technology Center, a Gymnasium Building, and a Cafeteria — for a total of nine buildings.

Eight of the nine buildings are connected by a central hallway that goes from building to building. However, the hallway that connects the intermediate school with the middle school can only be accessed with a security card. The way the school buildings, yards, and cafeteria are arranged, there will be very little or no contact between children in Central Intermediate School and children in Central Middle School.

Career/Technology. The Career/Technology Center is located just east of Central Middle School. It includes classrooms for band, choir, and home economics. Another large classroom has been set aside for future use as a shop.

Cafeteria. The Cafeteria is a separate building, which will be accessed from Central Middle, Central Intermediate, the Career-Technology Building, and the Gymnasium Building by a series of outdoor covered walkways.

The Cafeteria is a large facility that will serve three shifts of 400 meals per shift for each of the two schools. So, altogether, it will be able to serve 2,400 meals at lunch.

Cafeteria Divisible. The Cafeteria Building has 32,316 square feet. It consists of a kitchen and storage area, two serving areas, and the dining hall. The dining hall can be divided by automated sliding doors, which can separate the space into three distinct areas — the middle school cafeteria, the intermediate school cafeteria, and a multi-



THE DINING HALL will have three parts, including a Multi-Purpose Room (left) and Intermediate School dining hall (right).



SERVING LINE AND KITCHEN — The middle school serving line (left) will serve 1,200 in three shifts and part of the kitchen (right).



DINING HALLSTAGE — The indoor stage (left) is the dividing line between intermediate and middle school sections of the dining hall.



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Woody Jenkins

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pose room.
Stages. The Cafeteria includes an indoor stage for programs and entertainment. It will be able to seat 1,200 people indoors for assemblies,

banquets, forums, or community-wide meetings. The Cafeteria also has two outdoor stages — one for the middle school and one for the intermediate school.

New Band, Choir Rooms at Central Middle School



CAREER/TECHNOLOGY BUILDING will include a band classroom (left), choir room (right), home economics room, and a room for future use as a shop.

Facility Offers Competitive, Practice Gyms



GYMNASIUM BUILDING — The Gymnasium Building will include a competition gym and a practice gym plus boys and girls locker rooms.



COMPETITION GYM — The competition gym will include a basketball court and can be configured for two volleyball courts. A small set of bleachers will be installed.



PRACTICE GYM — The practice gym will also include a basketball court, or two volleyball courts. At left, the hallway to the boys' and girls' locker rooms.

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CENTRAL SCHOOL COMPLEX AS SEEN FROM SULLIVAN ROAD — This view of the School Complex, looking roughly f



CENTRAL SCHOOL COMPLEX AS SEEN FROM THE SOUTH — This view of the School Complex, looking from south to north, shows the front entrance to Centra



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Sullivan Road on the west to De-vall Road on the east.

Cost: \$46 million

Schools on site: Central Intermediate School (grades 3rd, 4th, and 5th) and Central Middle School (6th, 7th, and 8th). In addition, space has been left for possible future construction of another elementary school.

Buildings: Nine major buildings. Each of the two schools has an administration building and two classroom buildings. In addition, there is a Career/Technology Building, a Gymnasium Building, and a Cafeteria Building.

Size of Buildings: The Middle School will have 103,892 square feet; the intermediate school will have 89,380 square feet; the cafeteria 32,316 square feet, and the gymnasium/technology buildings



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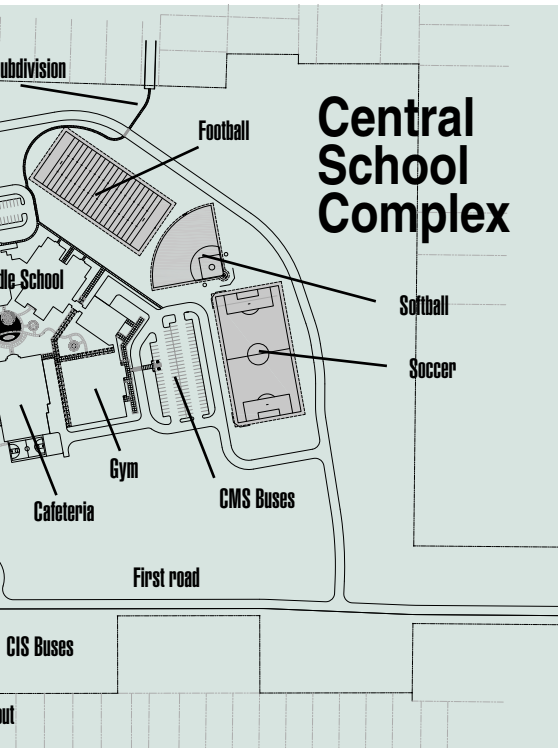
n 88 Acres on Sullivan Road at Gurney Road



From west to east, shows the front entrance to Central Intermediate School. Central Middle School is shown in the distance on the left.



Central Intermediate School at left, the Cafeteria Building in center, and the Gymnasium Building at right. The road goes from Sullivan Road on the left to Devall Road on the right.



will have 30,843 square feet.

Classrooms: Each school will have 48 regular classrooms plus additional classrooms for special education and speech therapy.

Students: Each of the schools has a capacity of 1,200 students. CIS will begin with 1,000 and Central Middle with 900.

Other amenities: The cafeteria can seat up to 1,200 for public assemblies, banquets, forums, or community meetings. The site includes a football practice field, soccer field, softball field, parking lots, and ponds.

Central School Complex

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Baker Municipal Elections Set March 24

BAKER — Voters in the City of Baker will go to the polls on Saturday, March 24 to elect a new Mayor, Police Chief, and five members of the Baker City Council. All of the candidates seeking election are Democrats.

The *Central City News* asked the candidates to provide a photograph and a statement of candidacy. Here are their responses, edited for length:

**Leroy Davis
Candidate for Mayor**

Former Baker Mayor Leroy Davis announces his candidacy for Mayor of the City of Baker. The election will be held March 24, 2012. Davis will put Baker first by focusing on Economic

Development to bring new businesses and jobs to Baker. He will immediately reduce skyrocketing water and utility bills and he will reinstate Senior Citizen discounts for water and sewer.

Davis has served as Mayor, Interim Mayor, and has served on the Baker City Council. He has 3½ years experience as Mayor and 9 years' experience as a Councilman. He was the first African-American elected both as Mayor and as a City Councilman. Davis is the only candidate with Mayoral and Councilman experience.



Davis

As Mayor, Davis was a proven job creator bringing hundreds of new jobs to Baker. He improved public safety by equipping the Police and Fire Departments with the necessary resources; and Davis improved the City's infrastructure by paving and fixing roads and streets. Under his leadership as Mayor, Super Wal-Mart, Exxon On The Run, Murphy's Discount Gas, Subway, and Wendy's came to Baker, along with other new businesses.

Davis considers his experience as Mayor and as a Councilman, his knowledge of Baker City government, its ordinances, rules, and procedures, as well as his accomplishments in community service to be some of his most important qualifications. He knows the importance of this position in Baker City government, and he understands the needs of the community and the need to put the citizens of Baker first when making decisions.

Davis earned his Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics from the University of Illinois. Dr. Davis had a distinguished career as a college professor and administrator; and was a nationally recognized economist. He retired from Southern University with 22 and one-half years of service, where he served as a professor and dean. He is also retired from Alcorn State University after eight years as a professor, dean, research director, and extension administrator. Davis has served as chair-

man and vice chairman of the Baker Alcoholic Beverage Control Board and has been a member of the Executive Council of the Istrouma Area Boy Scouts of America. He is the recipient of the Silver Beaver Award - Boy Scouts of America. He served on the Baker High and Bakerfield Elementary Schools Advisory Committees. He is a member of the Greater Mount Carmel Baptist Church. He is an U.S. Army veteran, a member of American Legion Post 502; and a life member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. Davis has been an active member of the Baker community for 37 years.

He is married to Elaine Griffin Davis, a retired assistant state director of Special School District in the State Department of Education. They are the parents of twin sons: Griffin Leroy Davis, M.D., M.P.H. and Garvin Henderson Davis, M.D., M.P.H., and have four grandchildren.

**Donald Ray "Duck" Kyer
Candidate for Mayor**

"I want to bring Baker into the 21st century while focusing on education, new businesses, infrastructure, employees and economic development.

"Baker is a city that can start to move forward, with the right leadership and involvement of the citizens of Baker."



Kyer

**Mayor Harold M. Rideau
Candidate for Mayor**

Mayor Harold M. Rideau is looking forward to a third term in office. Asked why he is running again, Rideau stated, "We're in the middle of many projects that were started during my administration, and I would like to see them through completion. These projects will have a lasting impact on the lives of our residents and our community.

"We have good relationships with several granting authorities and have been able to save hundreds of thousands of dollars on mandatory expen-

ditures. Some of the grants we've been awarded have given us the ability to address projects that have been on hold for over 20 years.

"Until our infrastructure has been updated, our city is at risk of damage from hurricanes and other natural disasters. Over the last eight years I have been in office, we have weathered four major hurricanes, without lasting damage, flooding, or loss of life."



Rideau

Mayor Rideau is running on his record in office and has been making a difference in the city by promoting progress through honesty, integrity, and service.

Rideau was a communication and engineering officer in the U.S. Army and was commended for his service in the Vietnam conflict. He worked for ExxonMobil Plastics for over 36 years and was an engineering instructor at Southern University. Harold Rideau was a pioneer in the area of preventative machine failure analysis.

Mayor Rideau is currently serving our community through the Baker Rotary Club, Team City, the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, and as a hunters education instructor.

Harold Rideau, 65, is celebrating 41 years of marriage to Juanita Richard Rideau. They are the proud parents of four successful children — a medical doctor, an Army captain who served two tours in Iraq, an operator at ExxonMobil, and a budding attorney.

**Monteic Sizer
Candidate for Mayor**

"I believe in Baker. I believe in the people of Baker. I believe in the potential that Baker has. Unfortunately, for years now, Baker has suffered from administrations that have kept it from reaching its true potential. Now is the time for Baker to become one of the best cities in Louisiana to buy a home, raise a family, get a good education, and start a business.

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**MUNICIPAL ELECTION
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- Harold Rideau (D)
- Monteic Sizer (D)

Chief of Police

- Frederick Chappell (D)
- Silas Geraldts (D)
- "Snapper" Knaps (D)

Councilman District 1

- Charles Vincent (D)
- Unopposed

Councilman District 2

- Norman "Pete" Heine (D)
- Yolanda Vessell (D)
- A. J. Walls (D)

Councilman District 3

- Joyce Burges (D)
- Carlton Simpson (D)

Councilman District 4

- David Georgetown (D)
- Darnell Waites (D)
- Robert Young (D)

Councilman District 5

- John Givens (D)
- Darryl L. Robertson (D)
- Fred O. Russell (D)

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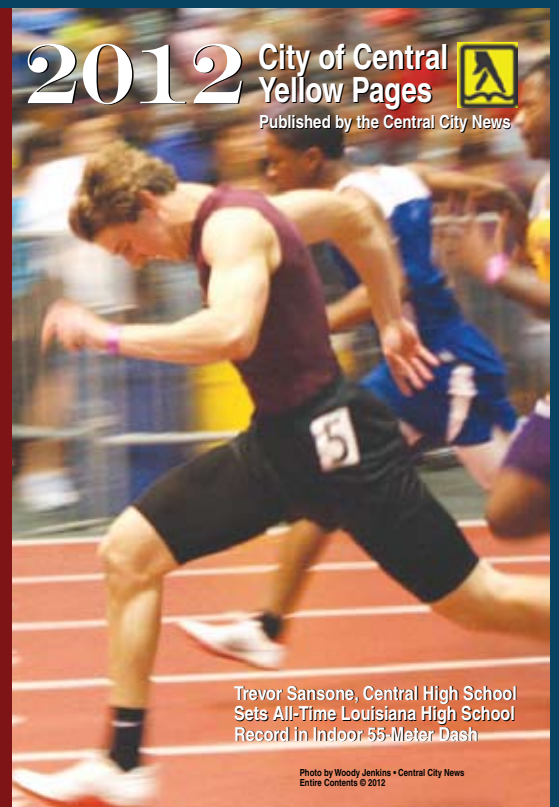
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Trevor Sansone, Central High School Sets All-Time Louisiana High School Record in Indoor 55-Meter Dash

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Honoring the Central Flash, Trevor Sansone, who set the all-time state 5A high school record in the 55-yard dash.

for Mayor, Chief of Police, Baker Council

worked. Conflict between the Mayor's Office and Baker City Council, coupled with under performing schools and limited economic development have caused many Baker residents to move to Central, Zachary, or other points North. The average incomes of Baker families lag behind the state average. Nearly 40 percent of Baker residents live on less than \$25,000 per year. Our homes are worth less than our neighbors. The average family is being hurt by Baker's soaring utility costs and lack of governmental transparency.

"There was a time, not that long ago, when Baker Pride meant something. The Buffalo that represents us is a symbol of strength and determination. I want to restore that pride to our people and city. I want to take Baker into the 21st century by keeping our best and brightest in our community and help to facilitate Baker's growth and prosperity.



Sizer

"If I am elected mayor, I will bring transparency and trust back to City Hall. This is your government, and it should work for you and with you. I will bring a real plan to you, one with real goals that can restore the luster lost through the years. I will work with the city council, the school district, and our business leaders. I will reach out to our legislature and congressional leadership to assure that Baker gets its fair share of dollars. I will build relationships, not burn them. I will be our community's greatest ambassador. We are one Baker.

"Being mayor is not a popularity contest. Being mayor is about having vision, professional experience, governance ability, and compassion for people. God has uniquely prepared me to serve in such a capacity, and I look forward to working with you as the next mayor of Baker.

"I am a man who is seeking to live out God's purpose. It is God's gifts and talents that I seek to use to help uplift people, communities, and government. I am doing so for God's glory.

"I believe public service is a calling. And because its a calling, I have served people, communities, and multiple levels of government for years while functioning as either a clinical-community psychologist, CEO, consultant, or volunteer. I have operated with integrity and have helped all who sought it. I seek opportunities for all.

"My wife, attorney Veronica Howard Sizer, and I live in Baker and have four children. We believe in family and the responsibilities that go along with it. We are active members of Star Hill Church and are committed to improving the lives of others through public

service, prayer, and philanthropy.

"While living in Baker, I have been active in the community. I served as vice chair of the City of Baker Planning and Zoning Commission, joined the Baker Rotary Club, and have been active with Neighbors United for a Better Baker (NUBB). With members of NUBB, I helped to facilitate conversations around economic development, education, and crime reduction.

"I earned an associate in applied science degree in industrial safety, security, and health management technology from Central Piedmont Community College before receiving a bachelors of science (summa cum laude) in psychology and criminal justice from Pfeiffer College. I earned a Ph.D. in clinical-community psychology from the University of South Carolina at Columbia. I completed my clinical residency at William S. Hall Psychiatric Institute.

"It is time for Baker to rise again. Baker will rise, with hard work, your support, and the faith I have in God and our city. Join me in creating a new Baker, one that protects the legacy of our past while building a road map to our future. Together, we can have New Vision, New Leadership, A New Baker."

Charles Vincent

Candidate for Council District 1

Charles Vincent, a Democrat, was unopposed in Council District 1.

Pete Heine

Candidate for Council District 2

"After much prayer, soul-searching, and encouragement from many citizens I have made the decision to seek the office of City Councilman, District 2 for the City of Baker. I am not running against any one particular candidate, but rather am offering my many years of experience to fill this seat. The main thrust of my campaign will be to work with the Mayor, whomever you elect to the City Council, our Police and Fire



Heine

Chief, court officials, school officials, business and community leaders, and all ministers to improve the image of our city. This can be accomplished by working together with one agenda.

"I am a Christian, a member of Baker First Baptist Church, serve as church coordinator for Christ Fellowship Church of Leland, and a Man of Manresa. I am a widower, having been married to the late Georgia Lea Pilcher for 53 years. Together we had five children, nine grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

"My opposition has said that I am too old to run for public office, but those who know me best know that this is not true. I learned long ago that wis-

dom comes with age. As a young man I did not think that seniors knew much about life, but as I grew older I came to realize how wise they really were. As you grow older you may lose muscle tone, but you gain knowledge and wisdom. I will be a strong voice for all senior citizens.

"My experience is unquestionable. I served proudly for 23 years as Mayor of the City of Baker, eight years on the Baker City Council, and nearly eight years as the first parish manager for West Feliciana Parish. I am a military veteran of the United States Air Force, serving as crew chief on a F-86 Saber jet during the Korean War, between 1948 and 1952, and also participated in the Berlin Air Life.

"I am ready, willing, and able to serve this great city, and would appreciate your consideration and vote. If you would like to talk with "Pete", please call 775-3577.

A.J. Walls

Candidate for Council District 2

"Thank you for allowing me to be your District 2 Councilman for the past 12 years! I consider it a privilege to serve the community where I have lived for 43 years; where Sharon and I have raised three sons who graduated from Baker High, and where I have coached many of your children in Little League and

Walls

BREC sports. Our sons, Allen, Marcus, and Kelly are grown now with families of their own, and in our retirement, Sharon and I are enjoying our six grandchildren, five boys and one granddaughter!

"I hope that you will vote for me again this year on March 24, so that I can continue to work for you and our great American hometown — Baker, Louisiana — a safe, progressive, and friendly town with big city convenience and small town feeling! Baker has been fortunate, not having felt much of the downturn that many small cities in our country have seen. It is my belief that the opportunity exists for continued growth and prosperity in our city, situated as it is near the Capital City, the airport, and interstate highway access.

"Thank you for your consideration!"

Achievements during time in office:

- Completion of road and sidewalk improvements on Groom Road west of Hwy. 19
- Construction of award-winning Veterans Plaza and Gazebo in City Park
- Improvements to the Walking Track
- Construction of award winning Fire Department, Office of Emergency Preparedness, and Homeland Security
- Improvements and upgrades to public infrastructure including street overlays, drainage water towers and lines, and gas lines
- Upgrades to equipment in all departments, including Public Works field equipment and significant upgrades to computer systems for all departments of the city
- City of Baker has received several million dollars in grants for major city-wide improvements
- Instrumental in reducing the number of accidents throughout our city because of improved traffic enforcement utilizing photo enforcement equipment
- Voted for budgeting funds that See BAKER on Page 12

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Baker Mayor Harold Rideau Has Three

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allowed our city's fire rating to be upgraded to a Class 2, resulting in decreased insurance costs for homeowners

- Married to Sharon Hammack Walls
- Father of Allen, Marcus, and Kelly Walls
- Resident of Baker for 43 years
- Councilman of District 2 for 12 years
- Member of City of Baker Utility Commission
- Member City of Baker Cemetery Commission
- Board Member of East Baton Rouge Parish Council on Aging
- Member of Veterans Plaza Board of Commissioners
- Little League baseball coach
- BREC football coach
- Baker Booster Club President
- Attends Zoar Baptist Church

Remember your vote is important. Yes, one person's vote can make a difference. Call me at 778-1293 or 317-1042.

Joyce Burges

Candidate for Council District 3

Joyce Burges will work to:



Burges

- Increase integrity and transparency in city leadership for overall city management
- Attract and encourage desirable businesses and improve economic development
- Renew the love of learning into the hearts and minds of children,

parents, and teachers

- Create community involvement for constituents and participate in com-

munity events

- Overall: To be a servant of the people

About Joyce Burges:

- Resident of Baker for nearly 25 years
- Attended Capitol High and Southern University
- An educator for 23 years
- Community activist
- Active in the local church
- Board member for several local organizations
- Married to Eric Burges for nearly 35 years
- Raised five children living in Baker
- Grandmother of four beautiful granddaughters

David Georgetown

Candidate for Council District 4

"I believe you need strong leadership qualities to help run a city, I am one of those people. I will help bring Baker into the 21st century and beyond.

"I will create community listening tools every six months. Will work side by side with the school system to improve our schools.

"I believe that without a strong school system there can be no economic development. I will solicit new businesses to bring to our city.

"I've raised my family in Baker. Let's make Baker a family friendly city again. Join me in building a better Baker."

- Majored in business administration at University of Louisiana at Monroe



Georgetown

- Owned business in the Baker/Baton Rouge area for over 20 years
- Member of civic organization Neighbors United for a Better Baker
- Married to Amelia for 25 years
- Three daughters, Miranda, Mariah, and Morgan

John Givens

Candidate for Council District 5

John Givens is a candidate for Baker City Council in District 5.

Givens is a Democrat and is a resident of Baker. He is retired from Pitney Bowes, Inc., a Fortune 500 company as a consultant.

His campaign commitment is to support new and existing businesses. Support the Baker School System and be available to all residents of District 5. Let the people have input.

Givens said, "Baker needs a change. New leadership to go to another level. United we can improve and grow the City of Baker. People in the City of Baker and District 5 should ask themselves are we better today than we were four years, eight years, or 12 years ago? And their answer is no.

"The people in Baker are experiencing drainage, utilities, and street problems. They are presently going through high water and sewer bills since the installment of new water meters in the amount of \$200, \$300, \$400.

"Only new business we have coming in are small businesses. All Star Chevrolet is planning to move in the near future."

Givens and his wife Katina have five children and two grandchildren. He is a member of King Children Full



Givens

Gospel where he is Deacon pastor by Robert H. Joseph, Sr.

He is a graduate of Southern University with a bachelor's of science degree in economics. He is a member of the Baker High Booster Club, Who's Who Professional Association, and National Build Trade Associate.

Fred O. Russell

Candidate for Council District 5

"When I ran for office 12 years ago, I won by a majority vote of 60 percent. This large win was attributed to the exemplary services I provided to the citizens while working as the city administrator and emergency



Russell

manager for 10 years for the city of Baker.

"The 12 years I have spent as a Baker City Councilman have been among the most rewarding, challenging, humbling, and fulfilling years of my life. I feel that I am the most experienced, qualified, proven, dedicated candidate running in District 5. From that experience, I chose to run for re-election because serving God and serving the people are a fulfillment of my daily life. My love for people will never change, nor will my efforts to serve my fellow man!

"I have actively served the Baker community by my involvement and

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support of various groups, clubs, and activities. These include our churches, Baker Independent School, Baker Little League, Baker High Century Club, Baker Band Boosters, Baker Chamber of Commerce, Mayor's Prayer Breakfast, Buffalo Festival, Pilot Club, American Cancer Society Relay for Life, Disabled Veterans, and other fund raisers to benefit our people. I will continue to support our senior citizens and children.

"As councilman, I have played a major part in improvements to city

streets, roads, drainage, utilities, railroad crossings, recreation, and fire and police services. I have also helped to bring new businesses to Baker and refurbish old shopping centers.

"I personally funded and was responsible for erecting a sign in front of City Hall to honor Baker veterans serving in the armed forces. I served on the Veterans's Plaza Committee and physically assisted in the construction of this memorial honoring all veterans.

"I am retired and a full time councilman to be available and responsive to the citizens needs at all time. We moved to the City of Baker in 1958 after serving in the U.S. Air Force. I am a Korean war veteran.

"My wife Connie, now deceased, and I were married 54 years. We have five children, nine grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren. We are members of St. Isidore Catholic Church.

"My home is at 5425 Lavey Lane in Baker. I can be reached at 775-3389.

"With your help and God willing, I am looking forward to serving my district and the citizens of Baker for another four years."

Chief Mike "Snapper" Knaps Candidate for Chief of Police

"I am humbly honored to be your Chief of Police. For 32 years, I have been a commissioned Baker police officer serving all the citizens of Baker. I have lived in Baker 51 years. I have been involved with the youth in Baker for over 35 years teaching, umpiring, refereeing, and coaching. I have held every rank and every position in the Baker Police Department. I was recognized as Baker Officer of the Year five times.

"In 2008 *Central City News* did a state and national crime survey and

Baker was listed as the 2nd safest city in Louisiana and 4th safest in the U.S.A. with a 3.8 rating. The latest Universal Crime Report for Louisiana issued was last year and Baker improved to a 3.2 rating with Baton Rouge at a 12.6 rating (lower scores mean less major crime.) We are still one of the safest cities in the country! As long as you allow me to be your Chief, I will continue to be a firm but fair leader Keeping Baker Safer.

"I have equipped all of our patrolmen and their patrol units with the most up-to-date state of the art technology and specialized equipment available. No other department in

the country has their entire patrol fleet equipped any better than ours! We have support equipment for all phases of enforcement and rescue. This was made possible by securing over \$1 million in state and federal grants at no cost to you.

"The Police Chief of Baker is not a position I take lightly; being a police officer is not just a job. This is a life of dedication, and I have given mine to you, the citizens of Baker. I am asking for your continued prayers and support by voting for me on March 24."

Endorsed by AFL-CIO Central Body and East Baton Rouge Sheriff Sid Gautreaux III

Silas Gerald's Candidate for Chief of Police

Silas Gerald's philosophy is that any crime...is too much crime. He has

extensive knowledge in police service and its application to police administration.

Silas believes that crime prevention efforts and citizen participation are essential to any successful crime reduction plan. To prevent crime, the police department has to implement many community police partnerships.

Silas' goals are to educate citizens and in turn the police department, about how to be

on the lookout for criminal activity, to report it before it happens, and to help deter young people from criminal activity by channeling their energy into education, recreation, and positive community activities.

Silas will use his 38 years of law enforcement experience to provide all citizens of this great city of Baker equality and protection under the law while encouraging input in making this city a safer place to live and work for all of our families.

Editor's Note: Other candidates did not submit photos or statements. However, their statements will be published in the March 22 edition of the Central City News, if submitted by March 16.



Knaps



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POCHE, WALDEN

Amanda Poche and Landon Walden will wed March 24 at Ashley Manor in Baton Rouge.

RAYBURN, CRISLER

Megan Rayburn and James Crisler will exchange vows in a May ceremony in Baton Rouge.



Mr. and Mrs. Trenton Simpson

Lopez, Simpson Exchange Vows

BATON ROUGE — Candace Claire Lopez of Central and Trenton Neil Simpson of Port Allen were united in marriage on July 8, 2011, at St. Agnes Catholic Church in Baton Rouge. The Very Rev. Monsignor Robert Berggreen presided at the 7:30 p.m. ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Mary Richard Lopez of Central and the late Pete Joseph Lopez, Jr. She is the granddaughter of Howard and Irene Broussard Richard of Loreauville and Mrs. Rosa Bayard Lopez of New Iberia and the late

Pete J. Lopez, Sr.

She was escorted by her brothers, Craig and Casey Lopez. She was given in marriage by her mother, Mary Lopez. She was attended by matron of honor, Amber Olivier; maid of honor, Megan Mooney, and bridesmaids were Brea Browning Lopez, Lori Hebert, Brett Brown, Jessica Holman, Amanda Mercil, Sarah Simpson, Lacey Franz, and Misty Borne. Miniature bride was Stokely Sparks and flower girls were Addison and Avery Olivier.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Greg Simpson of Port Allen and Ms. Bobby Doucet Simpson of Baton Rouge. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Gosserand of Port Allen and the late Jeff Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. John Doucet of Port Allen, and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Spragio, Jr. of Addis. He is the great-grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Spragio, Sr. of Addis.

He was attended by his best man, James Wesley Major and groomsmen were Cory Coyle, Jarrod Seguin, Chad Doucet, Matthew Coyle, Nicholas Pommier, Beau Cucullu, Jase Jackson, Johnny Franz, and Nicholas Humble. Miniature groom was Landon Simpson and Chance Simpson was the ring bearer. Ushers were Michel Lastrapes and Johnny Doucet.

Gwen Horton, Jill Spragio, and Gayle Simpson participated in the ceremony as readers.

The reception took place at the Addis Community Center in Addis.

Following a wedding trip to Walt Disney World, the couple resides in Port Allen with their daughter, Adaline Bonnette Simpson.

Amanda Poche, Landon Walden To Wed March 24 in Baton Rouge



Landon Walden and Amanda Poche

BATON ROUGE — Amanda Poche of Baton Rouge and Landon Walden of Denham Springs will marry in a 7 p.m. ceremony Saturday, March 24, 2012, at Ashley Manor in Baton Rouge.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Valerie Poche and Deda Richardson of Baton Rouge and Cathy Poche of Central. She is the granddaughter of Leonard and Mary Poche of Denham Springs and the late Earl and Anna Verrett of Baton Rouge.

Amanda is a graduate of Central High School and EMS Paramedic Academy. She is employed as a paramedic with East Baton Rouge Emergency Medical Services.

Her fiancé is the son of Shaun and Joyce Wales of Clinton and the late Timothy Walden of St. Francisville. He is a grandson of Dolly Jones of Lottie and the late Jerelene Walden of St. Francisville.

Landon is a graduate of Denham Springs High School and Louisiana State University. He is employed as a physical therapy technician at Kleinpeter Physical Therapy in Zachary.

Megan Rayburn, James Crisler To Marry in a May Ceremony

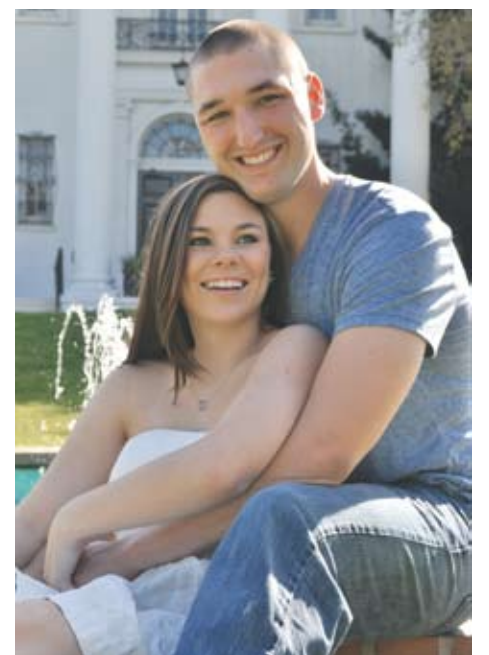
BATON ROUGE — Megan M. Rayburn of Central and James M. Crisler of Denham Springs will marry in a May ceremony in Baton Rouge.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Rayburn of Baton Rouge and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Cason of Central. She is the granddaughter of Paul and Diane Fourroux and Ruby Rayburn of Zachary and the late Burtis Rayburn.

Megan is a graduate of Central High School and Our Lady of the Lake College. She is a PTA at Moreau Physical Therapy.

Her fiancé is the son of James H. Crisler and Paula Simon Harper of Denham Springs. He is the grandson of Alice C. Simon and the late Gerard J. Simon and the late Harold E. and Barbara Vay Crisler.

James is a graduate of Denham Springs High School and Baton



Megan Rayburn and James Crisler

Rouge Community College. He is a police officer.

Kaden Tyler Unbehagen

Garrett and Miranda Unbehagen are proud to announce the birth of their first child, Kaden Tyler.

Kaden was born Jan. 11, 2012, at 7:18 p.m. in Baton Rouge. He weighed eight pounds, eight ounces, and was 21 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Dennis and Nealy Morain of Baton Rouge, Mike Unbehagen of Bayou Pigeon, and Debora Unbehagen of Woodbridge, Va.



Micah Shane Allen

Jason and Heather Allen of Central are proud to announce the birth of their son Micah Shane. He was welcomed home by his big brother, Caleb and sister, Gabby.

Micah was born Nov. 24, 2011. He weighed six pounds, nine ounces, and was 22 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Martin and Tammie Woolfork of Central and Ernest and Linda Allen of Zachary.



Ella-Kate Delanie Allison

Brandon Allison and Tori Brown are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter Ella-Kate Delanie.

Ella-Kate was born Dec. 13, 2011. She weighed six pounds, 15 ounces, and was 20-1/4 inches.

Proud grandparents are Faye Silvio and the late John Silvio Jr., Emmitt and Helen Robertson, and Billy and Barbara Allison.

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Gen. Boykin at Sportsman's Banquet

CENTRAL — Events coming up in and around Central:

Saturday, March 10
Sportsman's Banquet • 5:30 p.m.
 Men, young and old, are invited to the 8th Annual Greenwell Springs Baptist Church Sportsman's Banquet. Dinner will be provided including both wild and domestic dishes. The guest speaker will be retired Lt. General William G. "Jerry" Boykin. He had a distinguished military career that began in 1971. In his 36 years in the Army, he served more than 24 in Joint Special Operations. Gen. Boykin was recently barred from speaking at West Point because of this Christian beliefs.

Thursday, March 8
Central/Greenwell Springs Society of History Meeting • 6:30 p.m.
 The Central/Greenwell Springs Society of History will meet at the Central Library on Joor Road. The guest speaker will be Melissa Eastin, archivist/librarian for East Baton Rouge Parish Library. For information on this project got to www.ebrpl.com and click on Baton Rouge Digital Archive.

Friday, March 9
Louisiana Hurricane Fundraiser Dance • 7 to 11 p.m.
 Come join the Louisiana Hurricanes baseball team for good music, food, and dancing! The menu will include crawfish fetticinni, jambalaya, meatballs, desserts, and more. The dance will be held at Kristenwood, 14025 Greenwell Springs Road. Cost is \$20 per person/donation. Non-alcoholic drinks and beer will be served. For information, call Anita at 413-9171.

Saturday, March 10
Men's Prayer Breakfast • 8 a.m.
 There will be a Men's Prayer Breakfast at Life Church Central, 10523 Lovett Road.

Saturday, March 10
Tea with the Darlings 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
 Come have "Tea with the Darlings" and the rest of the cast from Peter Pan! The event will be held at the Central High cafeteria. Cost is \$10 per person and includes iced and hot teams, scones, sugar cookies, and other goodies. Bring your cameras. Cast members will be available for pictures. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Proceeds to benefit the Central High Musical Theatre.

Tuesday, March 13
Diabetes Support Group Meeting 6 to 7 p.m.
 Dr. Jason Allemond of the Williamson Allemond Regional eye Center will speak on "How Diabetes Affects Your Eyes" at the Lane Re-



LT. GEN. JERRY BOYKIN AT SPORTSMAN BANQUET — Retired Lt. Gen. Jerry Boykin will be the keynote speaker at this Saturday's 8th Annual Greenwell Springs Baptist Church Sportsman's Banquet. The event will begin at 5:30 p.m.

gional Medical Center Diabetes Support Group meeting. The Diabetes Support Group welcomes all who have Type 1 or Type 2 Diabetes including family, friends, and anyone in a supporting role. For information, contact Sherri Brady at 658-4583.

Saturday, March 17
Gator Baseball Fundraiser
 Gator Baseball will be holding a bass tournament at Doiron's Landing in Morgan City. For information, contact Eric Weaver at 939-6486, weaverslc@cox.net, or www.louisianasportsman.com under forums-tournaments.

Sunday, March 18
Dr. Shelia Isom • 10:30 a.m.
 Dr. Shelia Isom from Danville, Va. will be speaking at Life Church Central, 10523 Lovett Road.

Tuesday, March 20
Grief Support Group • 6:30 p.m.
 A new grief support group under the guidance of The Grief Recovery Center will be meeting weekly in the Daily Chapel inside St. Alphonsus Church. The meetings are open to everyone in the community who have suffered a loss and their family and friends that provide support for these individuals.

Tuesday, March 20
Central Community Alliance Meeting • 7 p.m.
 This month's public forum of the Central Community Alliance will feature Coach Sid Edwards, athletic director of the CCSS and new head football coach. The meeting will be held at DEMCO on Wax Road.

March 22 and 29
Scale Down Information Sessions 11:30 a.m. and 7 p.m.
 Get started today with Scale Down, an HMR program for weight management at Lane Regional Medical Center. Want to find out how this life-style and weight loss program can benefit you? Call 658-4463 to schedule your free, no obligation information session. Registration is required and space is limited.

Republican and Democratic Parish Executive Committees.

Sunday, March 25
Easter Egg Hunt • 1 p.m.
 The Baker Civic Club is hosting its 4th Annual Easter Egg Hunt at 2640 N. Magnolia Dr., across the tracks near the ball park. The hunt will be broken up into age groups for all children 12 and under. There will be games, crafts, face painting, and snacks.

Tuesday, March 27
Free Blood Glucose Screening 8 to 10 a.m.
 Lane Regional Medical Center will take part in the American Diabetes Association Alert Day by offering a free blood glucose screening at the Lane Medical Plaza located next to the hospital at 6550 Main Street. Fasting is recommended, but not required. Registration is not required. For information, call 658-4583.

Tuesday, March 27
Newborn Care Class • 6:30 p.m.
 Lane Regional Medical Center will offer a free newborn care class in the staff development classroom. "Baby Care Basics" covers all you need to know to care for your infant in the first weeks of life. Partners are encouraged to attend. Child care is not provided. Registration is required. For information or to register, call 654-5263.

March 22 through 25
Peter Pan
 The Central High School Musical Department will present "Peter Pan" in the Central High Theatre. Ticket prices are reserve seating \$12 in advance, general admission \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. For information, contact 261-3438.

Saturday, March 24
Louisiana Presidential Primary
 Louisiana Republicans and Democrats will go to the polls in separate Presidential Primaries to help express Louisiana's preferences in the Presidential nominating process. Voters will also choose members of the Republican and Democratic State Central Committees and members of the

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Nicole Joraanstad Aiming to Return to Olympics



U.S. WOMEN'S CURLING TEAM holding the championship trophy at the U.S. Women's Curling Nationals. Shown are (left to right) Tabitha Peterson, Allison Pottinger, Natalie Nicholson, and Nicole Joraanstad. Nicole's parents are from Central.

ASTON, PA. — Nicole Joraanstad, daughter of Central residents Gary and Debra Joraanstad, and her teammates, won the U.S. Women's Curling Nationals held in Aston, PA., Feb. 11 to 18.

Nicole plays third on the team. According to skip Allison Pottinger,

Joraanstad's contributions were critical as she executed a double-take-out in the seventh end that allowed Pottinger to draw for a second point. Joraanstad cleared the house in the 9th end, limiting Potter to two points and preserving the lead. Her well-placed freeze in the final end provided enough protection to ensure the win.

This is Joraanstad's ninth nationals including two junior nationals Joraanstad also played in the 2010 Winter Olympics and World Championships in 2000-2002, 2004, and 2006-2009.

As U.S. champions, the team will compete in Lethbridge, Alberta for the World Women's Curling Championship March 17 through 25. They have qualified for the 2014 Olympic Trials that will be held in Fargo, ND, November 2013.



NICOLE Joraanstad with her parents, Gary and Debra Joraanstad of Central.

Business Awards Nominations Due March 16

CENTRAL — Central City News readers have until next Friday, March 16 to nominate local businesses for the Annual Central Business Awards competition. More than 60 businesses were nominated in nine categories last year. In order to nominate one or more businesses, clip the form below and mail it to 13567 Hooper Road, City of Central, LA 70818 or email your nominations to centralcitynews@hotmail.com. A business owner or employee may nominate their own business, but they should reveal the fact that they are associated with the business. Winners will be honored in the Central City News and at a reception.

Must be received by 5 p.m. Friday, March 16, 2012

Business of the Year Nomination Form

Please accept my nominations for the following awards:

Small Business of the Year _____

Mid-Sized Business of the Year _____

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Central's Most Valuable Business _____

It is not necessary to make a nomination in every category. For full disclosure, please put an asterisk (*) next to any business you are associated with.

You MAY attach a letter or documentation (such as brochures, clippings, website, or photos) in support of any nomination. However, this is NOT REQUIRED.

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How I Turned My Backyard Business into Million Dollar Enterprise

Will Easley
Retired CEO
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Guide to Hard Hat Businesses

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Brian Poché, Linda Medine, Bruce Medine, Walter Wolf, and Kevin Corkern. Integrity did the glass work on the new CVS in Central.



BATON ROUGE — Integrity Glass Works offers a vast range of services from custom heavy shower doors to automobile windshields to all glass needs in the highest quality residential and commercial construction projects. They have many experienced technicians who can bring any dream to reality!

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ing kind, considerate, prompt, and fair. Their motto is — Custom Quality Service for the Greater Baton Rouge Area!

Owners Bruce and Linda Medine have crafted their family-owned business from humble beginnings.

Bruce began in the glass industry in 1983 where he dedicated 18 years to the iconic Capitol City Glass, including six years as commercial manager. With faith and knowledge on their side, the Medines decided to make a change in 2001 that would be the stepping stones towards their dream. They opened Integrity Glass.

Bruce and Linda give God the credit for growing that company from a garage start-up to a large shop next to their home, and final-

ly, three years ago, to their newest location at 8931 Greenwell Springs Road.

Today, Integrity Glass is a full service glass company catering to the community with a range of services including commercial and residential.

Over the years, Integrity Glass has experienced tremendous growth and become one of the most highly recommended facilities in the Baton Rouge. This growth has not be founded by luck but by providing high quality products and service.

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Referral jobs from previous clients are a true testament to satisfied customers and Wholesale Pool Builders' commitment.

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Quality pool supplies are provided by Wholesale Pool Supply (left). A pool in the making (right).

Wholesale Pool Supplies

Owners Steven Fiore and Jared David

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Providing excellent customer service and quality products has been the driving force behind Wholesale Pool Supplies' operation since 1985.

Steven Fiore said, "As a locally owned and operated business, we truly value our loyal customers in this community, and we look forward to seeing our customers return year after year. You will always find reliable brand name products, supplies, and helpful tips and solutions to care for your pool throughout the year. We are also an authorized dealer of Primo Grills and Smokers. We have everything you need to make your backyard a true paradise; we're more than just a pool store."

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Pierre Home Builders and Properties

ZACHARY — Back in 2005, local native Dustin St. Pierre wasn't looking to get into the construction industry. But it just blew in from the south!

Before Hurricane Katrina, St. Pierre was doing a little work in construction and remodeling, but was not interested in that direction in life.

When Katrina came, that all changed. He got a job in sales at Parish Home Center in Zachary. Within six months after the storm, he was one of the top three salesmen in all of Baton Rouge — with sales exceeding \$5 million a year.

During that time, he got his builders license and started building homes.

In the past six years, he has built more than 25 homes from Central to Walker, especially in the Northwoods neighborhood.

With the decline in home sales



NEW OR RENOVATIONS — Pierre Home Builders builds new homes and renovates existing homes.

over the last few years, his company became active in property development and land sales.

The company has bought land and plans to do commercial projects and rental property on the north side of Central in the future. St. Pierre has also bought an 80-acre tract off of Highway 64. He hopes to have five six-acre tracts for sale that will be restricted.

Dustin just finished a 38-acre tract off of Liberty and Alphonse Forbes roads with eight lots, ranging from 1.25 acres up to 8.37 acres.

He finished a 58-acre tract off Greenwell Springs Road north of Alphonse Forbes Road, where he had four six-acre tracts and one 35-acre tract.

Dustin St. Pierre, 30, was born



NEW CONSTRUCTION — One of the new homes built by Pierre Home Builders.



Christina Richardson, Dustin St. Pierre, and Mackenzie

in Zachary and attended Central Private School. He is getting married this year to Christina Richardson, and they are expecting their first child, a son, on July 24.

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PIERRE HOME BUILDERS & PROPERTIES

PriceCo Offers Amazing Variety of Products

CENTRAL — Matt Price of PriceCo Supply, LLC, said people are often surprised at the amazing variety of products offered at PriceCo.

He said, "We are well known for our tool repair department for pneumatic tools, compressors, generators, and electric hand tools. And of course the many items needed for wood shops, mechanical shops, and associated items. We are also known for state of the art safety equipment gear as well as mounted first aid kits for all working shops, businesses, and industrial plants."

Due to the many people requesting other supplies, PriceCo is adding the following:

Teaching supplies for teachers, including home school teachers, Sunday school teachers, parents, and many items for individual student development enhancement.

Crafting items are being added for many various hobbies such as knitting, crocheting, embroidery, rug hook latch, and various sewing stitching items.

Painting supplies are being added with a full line of artist paints including Winsor & Newton oils, acrylics, and watercolors; artist brushes and various drawing supplies; charcoals; pastels; chalks; and Winsor & Newton canvases, sketch pads, and painting tools.

Price said, "We are redeveloping our supply store to meet the needs of our Central community. As we



Matt Pryor, tool repair



Matt and Kathleen Price, owners

grow, we will be adding many more items such as party supplies, wood crafting, beading, and other items that people ask for. We are truly excited about our new future here at PriceCo Supply, LLC. This new addition will provide our community with many popular items we all love, thus saving people time and gas money. This will help keep our tax dollars in Central!"

Price said, "Please come to our Open House on March 17 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. We will have free jambalaya and door prizes to introduce our new products."

Editor's Note: Some big changes are coming to the front of the property of PriceCo Supply!



PriceCo has added teaching aides and art and craft supplies

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Rebel Electric, LLC Has New Location



REBEL ELECTRIC — Office manager Deanna Vickry and owner Craig Simoneaux will be moving the company soon to their new location at 6464 Joor Road.

CENTRAL — Rebel Electric, LLC owner Craig Simoneaux has announced the purchase of a new building at 6464 Joor Road and has said the company will be moving to its new home soon.

Rebel Electric, LLC has been in operation for over 44 years. It was founded in 1968 by Clif Richardson and Ned Martello.

Craig Simoneaux of Central was employed with the company for over 20 years before purchasing it

in 2009.

Rebel Electric, LLC now has eight employees, including, owner Craig Simoneaux, office manager Deanna Vickry, and six electricians, Davis Gill, Jimmy Lee, Shane Wyche, John Makedon, Everett Whiddon, and Josh Marchand.

Currently located off Sullivan Road in a building it shares with Confederate Heat and Air, Rebel Electrical will be moving soon to a new location at 6464 Joor Road.

Craig Simoneaux said, "This is a new chapter in my vision for Rebel Electric. We will have a large warehouse to house supplies, along with ample office space, and a conference area to meet with new clients and complete bids on new jobs."

Mission Statement. To establish long-term relationships with each of our valued customers, residential and commercial, by consistently exceeding their expectations, providing them with the best quality of work, and conducting ourselves in the utmost professional manner. Using the highest ethical standards, we guarantee to provide the best electrical solutions for our customers through service, value, and quality.

proach has resulted in a business built on client referrals and repeat business. We specialize in both residential and commercial electrical contracting. We stress safety, innovation, and convenience to insure employees are in a safe work environment with the resources they need. All employees also attend continuing education classes to stay on top of the latest technology."

"We strive to be a socially-responsible company supporting various community events which help our community prosper. If you should have any electrical needs now or in the future, we would appreciate the opportunity to earn your business."

Simoneaux said, "At Rebel Electric LLC, we approach each and every project from our clients' point of view. Our flexible ap-

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Craig Simoneaux, Owner; Jimmy Lee, Davis Gill, Shane Wyche, John Makedon, Everett Whiddon, and Josh Marchand

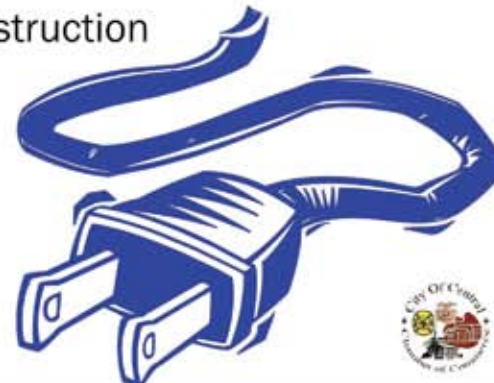
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Pat's Home Center: Dedicated to Central



Kevin Dupuy, Michelle Estave, and Jason Drury. Pat's Home Center is located at 13533 Hooper Road.

CENTRAL — The history of Pat's Home Center began in 1983 with Pat and Ginger Vince. Together, they saw a need for a hardware store that would serve the town of St. Francisville and the surrounding community.

With the goal of being more than just a hardware store, Pat and Ginger set out to become a customer-oriented business. So, in 1984, Pat and Ginger opened Pat's Hardware and Garden Center on Highway 61 in St. Francisville. "Our

goal originally," Pat said, "was to make it possible for any of our customers to purchase anything they needed for their home or commercial building projects. We began by comparing the pros and cons of local businesses in the same market. We knew that the success of our business largely depended on our ability to succeed and excel in the same areas as other local businesses, while at the same time, outperforming our competitors where they were failing to meet customer needs."

And succeed they did! By 1989, Pat's Hardware added a lumber yard to their original store to help meet the needs of its growing customer base. In 1993, the business was doing so well that they began

the search for a new piece of property in St. Francisville where they could build a bigger store with a larger lumber yard. The search for land led them to begin an entirely new store in a different town.

In 1993, they started Partner's Hardware in Clinton.

Now Pat's Home Center of Clinton, the business currently includes a brand-new, 12,000-square-foot store with an additional 10,000 in warehouse space and a two-acre lumber yard with room to expand.

In 2002, Mr. Vince suffered a terrible tragedy — Ginger Vince passed away, leaving him with a tremendous loss but an incredible personal legacy. "That was the defining moment in my life," Pat said. "In addition to losing

my wife and the love of my life, I lost my business partner. I had a choice to make: Do I continue to run the businesses or not? I chose to continue what my wife and I worked so hard to build and make successful. I decided to dedicate any further success to her life and her involvement in the business."

In 2003, St. Francisville saw the construction of a brand-new, 18,000-square-foot facility with a warehouse and lumber yard totaling an additional three acres. With the construction of a new building came a new name. Pat's Hardware became Pat's Home Center.

"We expanded our inventory to include many new items for our customers including appliance-

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Plant Machine Works Is Celebrating 35 Years

BATON ROUGE — In 1977, Claude Barber purchased Plant Machine Works Inc. from Central resident Harry Carmena. Claude set a standard for Plant Machine Works Inc. that his son and grandson are now following to guide the business for the future.

Upon Claude's passing in 2006, his son Tommy Barber took over the family business.

Tommy is married to Renee Jeansonne Barber, who is a life-long resident of Central. Tommy and Renee's children are graduates of Central schools.

Travis is a graduate of Southeastern Louisiana University and is currently the company's vice president of finance. Morgan plans to attend Louisiana State University in the fall and major in business. Travis is married to Lyndsey Browning McGraw, who also graduated from Central Private and Southeastern. Lyndsey is a registered nurse at Lane Memorial Hospital in Zachary.

Tommy has made a concerted effort to hire people from Central in the family business. Plant Machine Works currently employs 63 people, including the following residents of Central: Tommy Carlton, purchasing agent; Matt Wagner, logistics supervisor and data entry; Shane Ash, quotes and IT maintenance; Joe Amorello Sr., salesman; Butch Bateman, shop coordinator; Tyler Jones, draftsman, and Todd Browning, salesman.

Plant Machine Works is proud to have family and friends involved in the business. This combination has helped continue the success established by Claude Barber.

Now Plant Machine Works is celebrating 35 years as a leader in the repair industry. The Plant Machine Works' mission continues to be "Service, Quality, Honesty, and Integrity."

Located near the Baton Rouge Airport, Plant Machine Works' 50,000-square-foot facility has state-of-the-art machinery along with rotating equipment specialists.

Tommy Barber said, "It is my goal to keep the same tradition that made Plant Machine Works a leader in the repair industry." Tommy has put in place an executive man-



Plant Machine Works, Inc. located at 4633 Blount Road, Baton Rouge

agement team that consists of several employees who helped Claude shape Plant Machine Works into the industry leader it is today."

"My father put the best people around him and allowed them to work," he said. "As much as my father meant to the company, he would be the first to tell you it is the employees who make Plant Machine Works successful."

Management Team

Bobby Williams, vice president of operations; Kirk Jones, vice president of project bidding; and Eddie Hood, vice president of customer service, have each been with the company for more than 25 years.

Along with Tommy Barber, these employees form the executive management team. With their many years of experience, Tommy turns to them to help make decisions relating to the company. Tommy is thankful for these men staying with Plant Machine Works after the passing of Claude Barber and being a major part of the company's continued success.

Expertise and Service

With a machine shop that covers 50,000 square feet, Plant Machine Works offers a wide array of services, from a full-service machine shop to intricate rotating equipment repairs.

Expanding

To better meet its customers' needs, Plant Machine Works re-

cently purchased and installed three new CNC machines, including TOS Varnsdorf Horizontal Boring Mill, Viper VTL (Vertical Turret Lathe), and a Viper Horizontal Lathe.

The new equipment will allow Plant Machine Works to work on larger parts and increase productivity, which will open new doors of opportunity and take the company to another level in the production and repair world.

The Future of Plant Machine Works

Although Claude Barber led the company for most of its 35 years, his son is now leading the company into a new era. According to Tommy, the future of Plant Machine Works is very bright and full of new challenges with increased capabilities, new machines, and a team of people that includes a mix of experience and youth throughout the company.

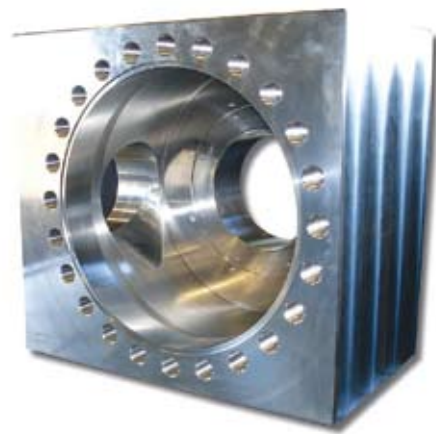
"I am proud to be leading Plant Machine Works into the future as a family business. With my son, Travis McGraw, working and learning the family business, our future looks bright," Tommy said.

"Now that our company has become a generational one, our future is one of growth and development with traditional values that make Plant Machine Works what it was in the past, what it is now, and what it will be."

The company's business hours

are 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. In addition, a 24/7 answering service with a Plant Machine Works' employee on call is available to handle clients' emergency needs.

Plant Machine Works is a proud supporter of the City of Central and *Central City News*.



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Noel Rivera displays a company bucket truck. Larry Curtis, Dean Harrington, and Scott Miller.

CENTRAL — Last year Gil Matherne of GM Cable was named Central's Entrepreneur of the Year with special recognition to Michelle Matherne of Myco-Com.

Company Profile. "Our company's mission is to continually strive to improve the standards of quality in an ever-changing world of communications and broad-band technology through cabling, outside construction, and network design. We do this by providing consumer-driven services and support that deliver value to our customers."

We are dedicated to providing efficient, cost-effective facilities that generate superior performance and reliability, and we have established a reputation for meeting and often exceeding our customers' expectations."

Company Services. "GM Cable provides our customers with LAN/WAN design and engineering; CCTV/Video surveillance; voice, data, and video networks; directional boring; outside plant design and construction; fiber optic design and installation; aerial construction, and on-site employees for manpower contracts. Our extensive customer base includes universities, community colleges, public and private schools, state government, municipalities, and plants and hospitals. Our vehicles serve

Louisiana, Texas, Mississippi, Alabama, and Florida, and sometimes states as far as Pennsylvania and Missouri. At times, the company accepts international business."

Company Founder. "Gil Matherne, a Central resident for 35 years, incorporated the business in 1984. Through the years, he guided the business from a one-man shop to a company with over 70 employees. His hard work and determination; as well as the commitment of his wife Michelle, the controller of the company; their son, the outside construction project manager; their daughter, a CPA and assistant controller; their son-in-law, an RCDD and project manager; a very talented, knowledgeable general manager who is also an RCDD; and an es-

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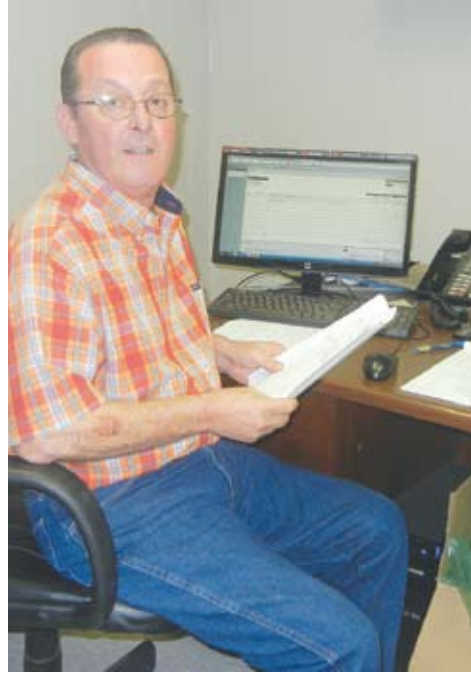
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Gil Matherne and Shawn Piper. Myco-Com general manager Gerald Harding. Founders Michelle and Gil Matherne.

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timator with years of service under his belt have teamed with all the GM Cable family to become one

of the largest telecommunications companies in the region. Longevity of employment is usually a key factor in determining the strength

of a business. It is noteworthy that GM Cable has 10 employees with more than 10 years of service and another 12 employees with more than five years of service.”

Overview. “Not only does GM Cable have an outstanding reputation in the telecommunications industry, but affiliated companies Myco-Com, Inc. and GMAC, LLC can hold their own in their respective fields. The company has more than 50 vehicles on the road, and the majority of the fuel purchased comes from here in Central, helping Central remain strong and prosperous. GM Cable is known around the community for its various charitable contributions. The company has been a supporter of

many community-wide events, Central’s public and private schools, and area churches. GM Cable has donated equipment and man-power to remove debris from Central homes after hurricanes and storms and donates to many causes on a regular basis.”

“Over the years, GM Cable Contractors, Inc. has worked hard to establish itself as one of the most trusted contractors in the state of Louisiana. They take pride in the company and the Central community.”

“GM Cable has an outstanding reputation in its field of work, in large part because of its highly-trained employees who stand by the company and its values.”

Pat’s Hardware Has 38,000 sf Facility to Serve City of Central



Jeannie Blackmon, Beverly Johnston, and Carl Martin

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new line of contractor grade paint products, and many new hardware items,” Mr. Vince said. “At the original store, we were a hardware store. With the building of the new store, we became a home center.”

With the growth, success, and development of the St. Francisville location, Pat was able to expand his business into Central seven years ago.

Today Pat’s Home Center has a 20,000-square-foot showroom and a 18,000-square-foot warehouse in Central. The store has hunting supplies, household items, barbecue pits, gift items, specialty millworks, and so much more.

Throughout the years, Pat Vince has prided himself on being able to meet the needs of an ever-expanding customer base in this area.


“I’ve always made it a point to

make sure all of our customers, no matter who they are, are always taken care of. We pride ourselves on providing excellent customer service,” Mr. Vince said. “Put yourself in the customer’s shoes,” he says, “and do what you know is right.”

Currently, Pat’s Home Center employs 50 plus employees in three different locations including outside salesman at each location.



In Central, Kevin Dupuy, store manager; Michelle Estave, assistant manager; Jason Drury, inside sales, and the helpful and knowledgeable staff are always willing to help you with anything you need or looking for.

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CENTRAL — Today, Trade Construction Company is one of Central's largest and most successful businesses, but it hasn't always been that way. Will and Dot Easley and their partners founded Trade Construction in Will's shop behind his house on Denham Road in 1973.

Today, Will has retired from the business, and it is in the able hands of his son Brennen and daughter Andi. The business itself has sales in the eight figures and counts as its clients some of the world's largest companies, such as ExxonMobil, Williams Pipeline, BASF, Turner Industries, and James Construction. Trade Construction has a 30,000 square foot facility on Joor Road, and the business continues to grow.

It's a far cry from where Will Easley started out — living in a two-room house in St. Helena Parish with his parents and four siblings and without electricity. When Will was a boy, his dad was near death and spent months in the Charity



Will and Dot Easley started a business in their own backyard in Central 39 years ago. It stayed in their backyard until 2005. Today it is a multi-million dollar enterprise with more than 110 employees.

Hospital in New Orleans clinging to life.

Will was able to leave the farm and studied to be a civil engineer. He was working for a big company but it went bankrupt. So, in 1973, he and some friends decided to go into business for themselves.

Will was able to buy his partners out in 1996. By 1998, his sales reached the \$4 million mark.

Will says that even with a down economy, there are still opportunities to get into business for your-

self, especially here in the Baton Rouge area with our industrial base and our connections to the oil and gas business.

And Will says you don't have to have a college degree to succeed.

"I believe in education, but I also know that I've had a whole lot of great people working with me that never went to college. I wouldn't trade them for anyone else," he said.

"My advice is you have to understand that being in business for

yourself takes a lot of hard work and commitment. It was nothing for me to work 60 hours a week. You have to put your business first, and that can be very tough on your family. Your family has to totally support you."

"I don't believe in debt. If you can save your money and start in business without going into debt, that will be a tremendous advantage. Small business almost always fails because of debt. If you can possibly avoid it, don't go into debt."

"Start slow and don't expand too fast. Take each step logically without extending yourself financially. Treat your customers right and build trust. After awhile, some of our customers got to where they would pay us for a full year in advance. When you develop that kind of trust from your clients, you have the cash to expand without going into debt."

"Find a niche that no one else is filling and fill it yourself. Do something you enjoy."

"Find good people to work with you. Get to know your people. Watch them and see who excels. Treat them with respect. They will look out for you. Finding good people will be the key to your success. People are your business."

Brennen Easley Seeks Seat on GOP Body

CENTRAL — Trade Construction Company president/CEO Brennen Easley is sick and tired of the constant attacks on business coming from Washington, and he's determined to do something about it.

Easley, the son of Will and Dot Easley, is a candidate for the Republican State Central Committee in the election March 24, 2012.

Central will elect a member of the committee, which governs the

state Republican Party, from House District 65, Subdistrict B. The district includes the northern part of the House District represented by Cliff Richardson.



Brennen Easley

Easley, a conservative, is opposed by Billy Thompson. Absentee voting will begin this Saturday.

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BAKER — For 30 years, the McAdams family has been supplying contractors and individuals with beautiful cypress lumber, beams, heart pine flooring, and more.

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General manager Wes McAdams said, "I try to give people as many options as possible to help create the best looking living space and to do it the most cost effective way. It's very satisfying when a customer comes in with an idea, and we can show them a way to do it better and less expensive than they ever anticipated."

Cajun Cypress has several products they have innovated to cost less than sheetrock!

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DEMCO LINEMEN (left to right) are Dentory Lee, Beau Caston, crew leader Shane Pendarvis, and Mark Phillips. DEMCO's crew risks their lives to keep Central "powered up" in good times and in bad.



Kevin Corkern cutting mirror for Integrity Glass

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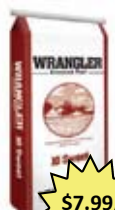
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