



Suit Says CATS Tax Violates Equal Protection

CATS Tax Challenge

Plaintiff Says La. Supreme Court Already Decided A Similar Case

BATON ROUGE — District Judge Todd Hernandez will hold a hearing next Friday, Oct. 12 on a suit to throw out the \$180 million CATS transportation tax approved by voters April 21.

The suit, filed by local businessman Milton Graugnard, says the 10.6-mill property tax is a violation of equal protection of the law under both the 14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution and Article I, Section 3 of the Louisiana Constitution.



Milton Graugnard
Lead Plaintiff

Graugnard's attorney, Kyle Keegan, says the case is very strong because the Louisiana Supreme Court has already ruled on a similar case.

In that case, *Arkansas & Louisiana Ry. Co. v. Goslin*, the plaintiff said he was forced to pay a property tax to a levee district for flood control purposes but that property

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LANE GRIGSBY (4th from left) was honored as Gladiator of the Year by the Louisiana Family Forum at Healing Place. Shown with Grigsby are (left to right) his daughters Tami and Tricia, his wife Bobbi, and Family Forum president Gene Mills.

La. Family Forum Honors Legislators, Lane Grigsby as 'Gladiator of the Year'

BATON ROUGE — More than 600 pro-family advocates from across the state gathered at Healing Place Church Arena on Highland Road to honor 40 Louisiana Legislators

for their pro-family voting records. The event was sponsored by the Louisiana Family Forum.

The highlight of the event was the announcement that Baton

Rouge businessman Lane Grigsby would receive the Family Forum's highest honor — the Gladiator of the Year Award, a beautiful and

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Steve Myers Campaigns for Less Government

Attorney's Quest For Mayor Could Have Big Impact

Woody Jenkins
Editor, Central City News

BATON ROUGE — Local attorney Steve Myers has launched a campaign for Mayor-President that is unlike any that voters in the parish have seen before. His goal is to reduce the size and cost of the City-Parish government and keep local government within what he sees as its proper role — police, fire, roads, drainage, and sewer.

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Attorney Steve Myers, Independent candidate for Mayor-President.



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Front Page Editorial

Clear Victory for Gov. Romney in Debate with Prez

DENVER — The first of three Presidential Debates ended Wednesday night with a clear victory for Gov. Mitt Romney. Romney looked younger, more energetic. He was pleasant, knowledgeable, aggressive. He enjoyed it. It was a fine performance. The President looked tired, sour, unhappy to be there. He seemed lost without his teleprompter. Best line was when Romney said, You pick winners and losers, mostly losers! Strong victory for Romney.

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LOUISIANA FAMILY FORUM — State Rep. Steve Carter was honored for his pro-family voting record and given special recognition for authoring Gov. Bobby Jindal's education reform legislation. Gene Mills, president of Louisiana Family Forum, honored Carter before 600 pro-family activists at Healing Place last week. Assisting was Ruth Flores.

2012: A Year of Decision

Steve Myers' Campaign Reminds Conservatives Of William Buckley's 1965 Race for NYC Mayor

Buckley Paved Way For Conservative Victories, Creation of Fox News Network

Woody Jenkins
Editor, Capital City News

BATON ROUGE — The unorthodox campaign for Mayor-President being waged by attorney Steve Myers is certainly gaining a lot of attention. The timing seems right for his message of less government and lower taxes.

Myers is probably more "libertarian" than "conservative," but his outspoken intellectual attack on big government reminds many conservatives of the historic campaign for Mayor of New York City waged by William Buckley in 1965.

Buckley and Myers share a passion for words, and both were publishers. Buckley owned *National Review*, the nation's most influential conservative publication for decades. Myers published *Tiger Rag*, not a philosophical journal but one with a large following in this LSU Tiger-crazy city.



Woody Jenkins

Buckley, who ultimately received only 13.4 percent of the vote against liberal Republican John Lindsey and Democrat Abraham Beame, nevertheless had an enormous effect not only on New York City but on the entire nation.

He articulated the conservative message in such an intriguing and convincing way that he rallied a generation of conservative youth to the cause.

His candidacy helped launch the Conservative Party in New York as an important force in the state. A few years later, his brother Jim Buckley was elected to the United States Senate from New York State on the Conservative Party line. The Reagan Administration was populated with many individuals who were inspired to political action by Buckley and his coherent, consistent small government message.

Like Buckley, Myers is struggling to get his message to the people and to have them take his candidacy seriously.

But, if people do start listening, Myers could become a serious factor in the race for Mayor-President. And, like Buckley, he could lay the intellectual foundation for a new generation of conservative youth.

It is encouraging to see a capable man running for high public office — one who is not afraid to speak the truth and "tell it like it is."

Some of Steve Myers' Favorites

Here are some of Mayoral candidate Steve Myers' favorite things:

- Books**
- *The Road to Serfdom* by Friedrich Hayek
 - *In Search of Self Governance* by Scott Rasmussen
 - *East Baton Rouge Unified Development Code*
 - *Louisiana Civil Code*
 - *Wealth of Nations* by Adam Smith
 - *Liberty and Tyranny* by Mark Levin
 - *Race and Economics* by Walter Williams
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- Movies/Plays**
- *Will I See My Dog in Heaven* by Jack Wintz
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Police, Roads, Property Rights, and Civil Liberties

Myers Carries Message of Liberty

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“Government is just one factor in society,” he said, “and there are many other institutions that play roles that are just as important, such as the home, family, business, and church.”

“But today government is like a bully that comes along and takes your money. We should change direction by repealing a lot of stupid laws and reducing the size and cost of local government,” he said.

“The problem is, the people who care the most about local government — many of the ones who fund campaigns — are involved in a money grab. They want to use the power of government to make money for themselves,” he said.

The other problem Myers sees is what he calls “the pitchfork crowd” that rises up from time to time to trample on individuals’ private property rights in order to serve their own interests.

In fact, Myers’ No. 1 issue is private property, which he sees as under attack in Baton Rouge.

Myers graduated from New Orleans Academy, a military school. He earned a B.A. degree in journalism, an M.A. in counseling, and a J.D. in law, all from LSU.

He ran a strong race for the Louisiana House in 1991.

A real estate broker and owner of about 40 rental properties, he says the UDC, the parish’s comprehensive zoning ordinance, is unfair and should be modified.



Attorney Steve Myers
Independent Candidate for Mayor

He said, “We should look at everything in City-Parish government through new eyes and make a lot of changes.”

Myers, founder and publisher for many years of *Tiger Rag* newspaper, has been using his writing skills in the campaign. Each day, he issues a new edition of *The Myers Minute*, which describes his position on a different issue in the campaign. He posts all of these messages on YouTube and links them together through his website, www.TheMyersMinute.com.

Here are some of Myers’ positions on key issues facing the parish:

- Roll Forward of Property Tax-

Steve Myers

- Attorney at Law
- Realtor-Broker
- Licensed Lawyer in Louisiana since 1990
- Licensed Real Estate Agent in Louisiana since 1997
- Licensed Individual Real Estate Broker since 2008
- Co-Founder (retired) LSU Tiger Rag Magazine

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- Consolidation of Sheriff’s Office and Baton Rouge Police Department — “It could make sense if everyone is willing to compromise a little. The police chief would be put under the Sheriff, and there would have to be a transition period.”

- Selection of Architects and Contractors — “The system is broken and needs to be reformed.”

- Highways and Transportation — “Nobody is going to reduce the amount of traffic. Rather, we have to focus on how to move traffic better.”

Since Myers launched his 40-day campaign — exactly 40 days before the Nov. 6 primary for Mayor-President — his campaign has garnered a lot of media attention.

Myers was instrumental in killing the proposed “Rental Registry Ordinance” before the Metro Council. He said, “This opened my eyes to the absolute intrusion of this law into areas of private contracts, property rights and civil liberties where government has no business being. Lines always have to be drawn in the law. These overstep the line. We need to be extremely vigilant to not let the pitchfork crowd influence public policy ordinances at the local level based on exceptions or anecdotal evidence. Civil liberties and

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es — Against

- Red Light Cameras — Against
- CATS tax — Against
- The Loop — Against
- Sewer User Fees — “It’s ridiculous! It’s going up again. This looks like a big slush fund that is ripe for corruption. And nobody is fighting it!”

- Crime — He favors adding 70 police officers to the Baton Rouge Police Department. “This is the hardest problem we face. We need more officers, but right now it’s ‘catch and release.’ The root problem is that this country was founded on certain principles, and these are no longer being respected.”

Meet Gordon Mese
Candidate for Mayor-President
Capital City News
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More of Steve Myers’ Favorites

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- ET
- Breakfast Club
- Favorite Quotes**
- “I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live but Christ lives in me; and the life which I know live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself up for me.” Galatians 2:20
- “We the people...” U.S. Constitution
- “The heart has its reasons of which reason knows nothing; we know this in countless ways.” Pascal.
- “No state shall pass any law impairing the obligation of contracts.” U.S. Constitution
- “...Nor shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation.” Bill of Rights 5th Amendment.
- “The enumeration in the constitution of certain rights shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.” 9th Amendment, Bill of Rights.
- “Let each of us examine his thoughts; he will find them wholly concerned with the past or the fu-

ture. We almost never think of the present and if we do think of it, it is only to see what light it throws on our plans for the future. The present is never our end. The past and the present are our means., the future alone our end. Thus we never actually live, but hope to live and since we are always planning how to be happy, it is inevitable that we should never be so.” — Pascal

- “Don’t be angry and don’t be negative.” Coach Dale D. Brown
- “Truth is so obscured nowadays and lies so well established that unless we love the truth we shall never recognize it.” Pensees 739 Pascal.
- “Success is the peace of mind which is a direct result of the self-satisfaction of knowing you did your very best.” John Wooden
- “1806 Webster’s definition of success: fortunate, happy, kind, prosperous. 2012 dictionary definition of success: Obtaining wealth, fame, rank and power.”
- “Keep His statutes and His commandments that it may go well with you and your children after you.” Deut. 4:40.



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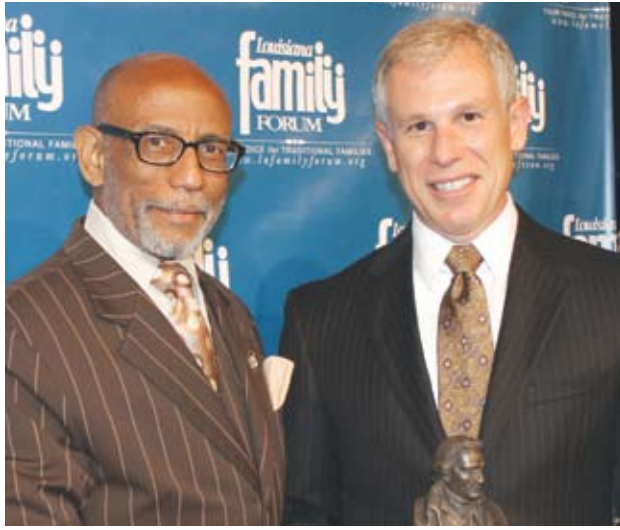
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Rep. Henry Burns

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quite authentic saber.
When Lane Grigsby's wife Bobbi and daughters Tami and Tricia saw the sword, they were amazed and had big smiles. Some in the audi-

ence who know Grigsby well said, "How appropriate!"
Grigsby, the founder and chairman of the Board of Cajun Industries, is known for taking a strong stand on conservative and pro-busi-

ness issues in the state.
Family Forum president Gene Mills praised the 40 legislators and Grigsby for their devotion to the pro-family cause. Each of the legislators was presented with either a bust of Patrick Henry or a glass trophy for their desks.
Sen. A. G. Crowe, who received two awards during the evening, quipped that he should get an award for getting the most awards. Crowe has been honored during each of his 12 years in the legisla-

tors. The following is a list of legislators honored by Family Forum:
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New YMCA Announced for City of Zachary

CENTRAL — The YMCA of the Capital Area is excited to announce the construction of a new YMCA in Zachary. The 26,000 square-foot facility will reside on 5.25 acres of land at 401 Liberty Way, Zachary, La. This will be the 9th YMCA facility and it will feature a fitness center, aerobics studio, community meeting room, outdoor pool/splash pad, locker rooms, and tennis courts.

The YMCA in Zachary will be the second Y facility to use the New Market Tax Credit Program in support of its construction. The first project approved to use the tax credits was for the construction of the ExxonMobil YMCA. “We’re proud to partner with the YMCA, another national leader committed to strengthening communities, to help bring this project to life,” said Matt Philpott, Director of New Markets for U.S. Bank. U.S. Bank has committed \$3.3 million of New Market Tax Credit equity in support of the construction of the Zachary YMCA.

The New Market Tax Credit Program was established by Congress in 2000 to help stimulate economic growth, support job creation, and foster small business growth in un-



Rendering of new YMCA to be built in Zachary

der-served communities across America. In Baton Rouge, the tax credits are a part of the city’s Redevelopment Authority, which focuses on the redevelopment of neglected areas of Baton Rouge for future development. As part of the New Market Tax Credits for this project, the Y will hire 60 percent of the facility’s workforce from qualifying low-income areas, continuing the initiatives of the Redevelopment Authority.

“The Y is excited about the opportunity to expand our programs and services to the Zachary community”

said Bob Jacobs, President/CEO of YMCA Baton Rouge, “We want the whole community to get involved and really be a part of this new Y.”

Currently, the Y has raised nearly \$166,000 of its \$3.5 million goal. As part of continued fundraising efforts, the Y is encouraging the Zachary community to make a donation to the Capital Campaign to help close the gap! Donations can be made online at ymcababr.org/Zachary. All donations are tax deductible.

This new facility, set to open in 2013, will allow the Y to better serve

the capital area community through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. The YMCA of the Capital Area currently has over 27,000 members and serves an additional 100,000 people in the community through local Y programs at eight area YMCA locations.

The YMCA is a values-based, character-building, nonprofit membership organization that plays a vital role in contributing to the community. Jacobs said, “Our values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility are in everything we do. We plan our high-quality programs around essential elements to help kids grow up caring and responsible. Our staff is caring, competent and experienced. Our training includes safety, management modules, CPR, first aid, and more.”

“At the YMCA, young people can develop new skills, increase self-esteem, and make new friends in safe, nurturing environments. Families can build stronger bonds, achieve greater work/life balance, and become more engaged in their communities. People of all ages and abilities can build a healthier spirit, mind, and body.”

For more information or to donate today, contact Bob Jacobs at 923 0653 ext: 1101

Central Physical Therapy Obtains Concussion Health Certification

CENTRAL — Central Physical Therapy has announced it is now a Concussion Health certified facility. Using new, state-of-the-art technology, CPT is able to offer patients, coaches, and athletic trainers the “peace of mind” of knowing it’s safe to put a player who has suffered a concussion back in the game. Athletes who have been diagnosed with a concussion who return to the field-of-play too soon and suffer another significant blow to the head are at risk for

“second-impact” syndrome, a rare condition that can result in death.

Central Physical Therapy can minimize the risk by utilizing computer-based, neuro-cognitive testing. Evaluations are performed with either the ImpACT® test or Axon Sports Computerized Cognitive Assessment Tool. Both evaluate the mental component of brain function and measure symptoms, verbal and visual memory, reaction time, and processing speed. CPT adds another step to the pro-

cess by evaluating the motor component of brain function. This phase of testing is done with the Biodex balance System SD. The Biodex is an objective, computerized balance test that measures and records how well the athlete performs on tests that challenge balance with eyes open and closed on a platform that is either solid or moving much like a Wii game.

The issue of concussions and comprehensive concussion management has gained national attention

as mounting research links violent collisions with the increasing prevalence of dementia, depression, and other long-term symptoms in former professional football players.

For information or a demonstration of Central Physical Therapy’s Concussion Health Certification or its comprehensive concussion management program, contact Richard O’Quinn, PT or Erik Strahan, DPT, ATC at 261-7094. You can also learn more at www.concussionhealth.com.

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Phil Rainier Joins Central Physical Therapy

Well-Known TV Newsman Joins Staff in Central

CENTRAL — Central Physical Therapy has announced the hiring of long-time WAFB medical correspondent Phil Rainier for the position of Director of Marketing and Communications.

CPT owner and president Helen Balzli said, "It's a position we created to help insure CPT grows to meet the needs of one of the fastest growing cities in the state. Phil's experience, expertise, and vision fit well with our new direction as we move into the future here in Central. We believe in the growth and forward thinking direction we see every day in the City of Central. Bringing quality people like Phil on board is another way we are committing ourselves to that vision."

CPT administrator Tom Coplin said, "Phil has been reporting on the latest health trends on TV for more than 20 years. He's been a fixture in the Baton Rouge television scene for 30 years. It's earned him a level of trust and respect we believe is absolutely necessary when talking to people about something as personal as their health and the choices they have for care." According to Balzli, "What Phil brings to the table fits seamlessly into CPT's desire to be the 'people you know with experience you can trust.' You know him and you can trust him."

Coplin said, "Phil will play a critical role in making sure people in Central know the full range of

services CPT has to offer now and in the future. For instance, CPT is now a certified 'Concussion Health' facility with state-of-the-art computerized tests that can minimize a child's risk of getting back in the game too soon after a concussion. While rare, the result can be potentially deadly "second impact" syndrome. Phil will also be instrumental in publicizing our fall prevention program for seniors, low-level cold laser pain treatments, and any new service Central Physical Therapy



Rainier

adds as it strives to meet the needs of our growing community."

Phil Rainier said, "I couldn't be happier to be joining the Central Physical Therapy team. I grew up in a small town. I understand the close connection Helen and Tom feel to the City of Central. Nobody does physical therapy better than Helen and her hometown team of experienced professionals. I'm honored I was asked to be part of what they're doing here. I can't wait to get started!"

Some of Phil Rainier's career accomplishments include winning the Louisiana State Medical Society's coveted "Excellence in Medical Journalism" award on numerous

occasions. In 2011, he added an "Edward R. Murrow" award, one of the highest honors of his profession. He's won a national Scripps-Howard Foundation award for "Excellence in Journalism," while the Associated Press has also honored his superior journalistic efforts. In addition to his duties at WAFB, Phil has been a regular contributor to the nationally syndicated TV program, "America Now" and appeared in news broadcasts at 46 Raycom Media owned TV stations in 18 states.

Phil Rainier's first day on the job at Central Physical Therapy is Monday, Oct. 8. For information, contact Tom Coplin at 261-7094.

Ochsner Medical Welcomes 3 New Physicians

BATON ROUGE — Ochsner welcomes the following new physicians to the Baton Rouge region.

Dudley Atkinson, M.D. joins Ochsner's Urology Department.

He graduated from LSU with a degree in petroleum engineering. Afterwards, he joined the U.S. Navy as a submarine officer and retired as Lt. Commander to pursue medicine. While in the Navy, he attended the Naval Postgraduate School in the Space Systems Engineering curriculum and obtained master's degrees in physics and engineering science. He later graduated from the Tulane University School of Medicine and trained in the LSU/Ochsner Urology Residency in New Orleans where he was chief resident. Dr.



Atkinson

Atkinson's special interests include robotic and laparoscopic surgeries.

Erin Dauterive, M.D. joins Ochsner's Obstetrics and Gynecology Department. Dr. Dauterive received her undergraduate degree in general studies at LSU. She then attended Louisiana State University School of Medicine in Shreveport, where she received honors for graduating with the highest GPA. Dr. Dauterive recently completed her residency in the obstetrics and gynecology program with Ochsner Clinic Foundation where she continued to receive honors for her performance. Her interests include adolescent gynecology and minimally invasive surgery.



Dauterive

joins Ochsner's Pulmonary Department. Dr. Mulamula received his master of medicine and general surgery at the University of Nairobi. He then completed his residency in internal medicine at Providence Hospital in Washington, D.C., where he also served as a critical care technician and chief resident. Dr. Mulamula completed two fellowships with Norwalk Hospital in Connecticut in pulmonary and critical care medicine, and sleep medicine. Dr. Mulamula is board certified in both pulmonary medicine and internal medicine. His special interest include sleep disorders in children.



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Moreau Physical Therapy Opens New Clinic on Old Hammond

BATON ROUGE — Moreau Physical Therapy is now open and accepting new patients at 11281 Old Hammond Hwy., Bldg. A. Moreau offers a comprehensive range of physical therapy and wellness services, including: sports injury rehabilitation, pre/post-op rehabilitation, back and neck injuries, orthopedic/manual therapy, neurological rehabilitation, chronic pain management, industrial medicine, aquatic therapy, Graston Technique, Trigger Point Dry Needling (TDN) and wellness programs including preventive care, weight loss and fitness.

Owner Al Moreau said, "We strive to stay at the forefront in training and education in evidence based practice to give our patients the best possible outcomes."

Moreau physical therapy is now offering TDN and currently accepting patients. Dry needling is a treatment for relieving muscular tightness, spasm and pain which commonly follows injuries, degenerative processes, stress and overuse of the muscles. Muscular tightness and spasm can cause compression and irritation of the nerves exiting the spine.

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Moreau Physical Therapy is now offering Trigger Point Dry Needling

relief of the trigger points. Because the needles are so thin, the patient often does not even feel the needle being inserted. The patient typically notices immediate increased flexibility of the muscle and a decrease in symptoms.

Common diagnoses that are treated with dry needling include sports-related muscle strains and spasms, chronic pain, fibromyalgia and headaches. Trigger point dry needling is used in conjunction with other therapeutic interventions to give patients complete physical therapy care and the best outcomes.

The team of therapists at Moreau Physical Therapy has many years experience providing Physical and Occupational therapy services to

Baton Rouge and the surrounding communities for over 35 years. Moreau Physical Therapy currently manages 10 locations throughout South Louisiana with concentrations in outpatient, inpatient, and industrial therapy. Moreau Physical Therapy provides outpatient rehabilitation in Baton Rouge, Central, Zachary, Port Barre and Opelousas Louisiana. Moreau Physical Therapy is also contracted to provide therapy services for Louisiana Specialty Institute in Lafayette, Louisiana, Opelousas General Health System, Georgia Pacific Mill in Zachary, Louisiana and Rubicon in Geismar, Louisiana.

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New General Surgery Practice Opens at Lane

ZACHARY — Lane Regional Medical Center has announced that Dr. Samuel B. Field, General Surgeon, has joined Lane Surgery Group located at 4801 McHugh Road, Suite C, in Zachary.



Dr. Field

He is board certified in General Surgery with more than 12 years of experience, including trauma, laparoscopic gallbladder, appendix, intestine, and skin lesions.

Dr. Field graduated from Millsaps College in Jackson, Miss. and received his Medical Degree from Tulane University Medical School in New Orleans. He completed his General Surgery residency at Scott and White Memorial Hospital, Texas A&M School Medicine in Temple, Texas.

Dr. Field graduated from Episcopal High School, and lives in Baton Rouge with his wife Kelly and their two children.

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Vitter Contrasts Obama Policies With Republican Plan for Country

BATON ROUGE — The Republican Party of East Baton Rouge Parish honored Sen. David Vitter with the first-ever Ronald Reagan Man of the Year Award last Friday at the City Club. The event, which was packed out, raised money for Republican activities in the parish this fall. The party honored Vitter for his commitment to limited government, individual rights, lower taxes, free enterprise, traditional values, and a strong national defense, according to Richie Edmonds, master of ceremonies. Paying tribute to Vitter were Mayoral candidate Mike Walker, State Rep. Valarie Hodges, and Family Forum president Gene Mills. In an interview afterwards, Vitter

was asked to contrast the policies of the Obama administration with his own. Here is that interview:
Libya
Sen. Vitter: The Obama administration's initial reaction to the attacks on the U.S. consulate in Benghazi, Libya was to apologize rather than to root out the terrorists who attacked our Ambassador and diplomats. Recent evidence suggests that Obama knew about security breaches yet chose not to act. The administration also made an attempt to minimize the fact that this was a planned terrorist attack on a U.S. embassy by implying that the attacks were done by mobs upset by
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a YouTube video instead of organized attacks. The recent tragedy in Libya underscores the unfortunate reality that our mission to root out senseless violence from terrorists who oppose American values is not complete. As a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, I'll remain an advocate for a strong national defense and get answers on what the Obama administration knew about the Libya attackers.

Israel and Iran

Sen. Vitter: The Obama administration has been reluctant to stand shoulder to shoulder with Israel and instead invests more good faith in the United Nations. Supporting the security of Israel, our closest ally in the volatile Middle East, is absolutely crucial. I have also been a strong supporter of stopping

Iran from acquiring nuclear capabilities. Iran is currently the world's largest state sponsor of terrorism.

The current Administration must be held accountable for stopping Iran from becoming a nuclear-armed Iran.

Energy Independence

Sen. Vitter: President Obama wants you to believe that domestic energy production is up. That's false. Meanwhile, the administration continues to oppose expanding domestic energy production on federal lands and the Outer Continental Shelf. They oppose common sense projects like the Keystone XL pipeline which would create jobs. The Obama administration's wrong direction on energy policy is stifling domestic production, causing gas prices to rise. Since the United States is the single most energy-rich country

in the world, we should be increasing domestic energy production and also supporting job creating projects like Keystone. I introduced the leading Republican legislation 3-D: The Domestic Jobs, Domestic Energy, and Deficit Reduction Act, which would create more than two million jobs by unleashing America's vast domestic energy potential.

Illegal Immigration

Sen. Vitter: The Obama administration wants amnesty for illegal immigrants. He's working on doing so by pushing gateway amnesty programs like the DREAM Act and providing immunity to those who are brought into the United States as children. Weak enforcement of our immigration laws allows our immigration system to be taken advantage of. Illegal immigration is a very severe problem and immigration reform should focus on securing our border and enforcing the laws already on the books. We should advance policies giving U.S. border security agents the tools they need to fight illegal immigration, eliminate child tax credit handouts to illegals and enforce laws so that illegals cannot vote in our elections.

The Deficit and The National Debt

Sen. Vitter: President Obama talks about the need to tackle our spiraling

debt and deficit while pushing through major debt and spending initiatives like the stimulus and the auto bailouts. I supported measures that cut government spending, cap how much the government can spend overall, and balance the federal budget over time. We're 16 trillion in debt, and none of the president's budgets have been serious about debt reduction.



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CENTRAL FELL TO ST. AMANT 21-12 at a rain-soaked Pit in St. Amant last Friday. Central QB Brett Courville and RB Lamonte Janeau.

High School Football In Coverage Area of Capital City News

Thursday, Oct. 4
Capitol at Dunham

Friday, Oct. 5
Belaire at St. Michael
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First Hearing on CATS Tax Next Friday

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owners in other parishes downstream were getting the benefit. The state supreme court ruled that would be a violation of equal protection.

The court said, "It is alleged that the exemption of these three parishes from the District relieves the taxpayers therein from bearing their fair share of the tax burden assessed for the construction, operation and maintenance of the proposed project, notwithstanding that they, as afore-

said, receive the same benefits as the taxpayers in the other seven parishes. If these facts are correct...the exclusion of the three named parishes does constitute an arbitrary discrimination violative of the equal protection clause of the Federal Constitution."

In his suit, Graugnard says that the Capital Area Transportation System (CATS) serves areas of the parish outside the taxing district. The taxing district is the City of Baton Rouge and the City of Baker.

CATS serves areas such as Mall of Louisiana and Towne Center, but these areas are outside the city limits and therefore pay no property taxes.

Graugnard argues that it is wrong to make property owners inside the city limits pay taxes for services outside the city limits.

The hearing next Friday before Judge Hernandez will deal with exceptions filed relative to the City of Baker. Because the issues in this suit are almost exclusively matters of

law and there are few issues of fact, the case could be a candidate to be decided based on a motion for summary judgment.

Unless the \$18 million a year tax is thrown out, property owners in Baton Rouge and Baker will see their property tax bills go up Dec. 31.

On June 27, CATS announced it would be selling \$3 million in bonds based on that tax. If Graugnard's suit is successful, the validity of that bond issue would be in question.

Steve Myers Makes Stand Against Bigger Government

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rights can be affected as much locally as at the state or national level."

Another of Myers' pet peeves is what he calls the absurdly archaic and unconstitutional definition of "family" that the Uni-

fied Development Code contains.

Myers said, "In addition, I will use whatever 'veto power' and influence available to the mayor's office to stop over reactive laws from being passed in the first place. And I will comb the code of ordinances for intrusive laws and implement

a systemic plan to repeal outdated, antiquated and unnecessary laws and budget items."

With all the media attention, Myers seems to be gaining traction. Even if his candidacy is a long-shot, he has the potential along with independent candidate Gordon Mese,

to draw away enough white votes from Mayor-President Kip Holden to force Holden into a runoff Dec. 8. If that happens, Holden could be in serious trouble.

Upcoming Events in Capital City and Nearby

October 8 through 31

Blackwater Pumpkin Patch

The Pumpkin Patch is coming! Blackwater Methodist Church, 10000 Blackwater Rd., is again hosting its incredible Pumpkin Patch with thousands of pumpkins for sale! Profits go to benefit missions. Featured will be games, hay rides, car show, crafts fair, space walk, and more. Bring the whole family. Free! For information, call 261-4646 or visit www.blackwaterumc.org.

Thursday, October 11 Masquerade at the Mansion 7:30 to 11 p.m.

The 14th Annual Old Governor's Mansion Gala's theme this year is "Masquerade at the Mansion" and attendees will celebrate Louisiana's Spanish legacy from 1762-1810. The event will include the lively sounds of Stormy in The Rose Garden, while guests peruse the East Ballroom for the silent auction extravaganza and spe-

cialties, all the while sampling Louisiana and Spanish delicacies from the area's finest caterers and restaurants. Tickets are \$100 per person for Foundation for Historical Louisiana members, \$125 for non-members, and \$50 for those under 35 who are invited to join FHL's junior group, "Inherit Baton Rouge." For tickets, membership, and information, call 387-2464 or go to www.fhl.org.

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