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Oct 16	Scotlandville	A
Oct 23	Denham	H
	Hall of Fame	
Oct 30	Zachary	A
Nov 6	Live Oak	H
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CONGRATULATIONS — Central Mayor Jr. Shelton (left) congratulated former Mayor Mac Watts for his accomplishments as Mayor during the City of Central's 10th Anniversary Celebration at Wildcat Stadium.

Mobile Command Post Draws Praise from Mayors, Officials

CENTRAL - The City of Central has won praise from the Louisiana Municipal Association for the city's new Mobile Command Center developed by Police Chief James Salsbury with the help of Mayor Jr. Shelton, members of the City Council, and local businesses.

The Command Center will allow the city government and particularly law enforcement to operate "off the grid" in an emergency, such as a hurricane or other natural or man-made disaster.

The City of Central received 1st Place from the LMA in the organization's Community Achievement Awards competition for cities with a population over 25,000. So, in order to win, Central had to beat out Baton Rouge, New Orleans, Shreveport, Lafayette, Lake Charles, Monroe, and the other large cities in the state.

The awards are given in four categories: Under 3,000, 3,000 to 10,000, 10,000 to 25,000 and over 25,000.

Support for the Mobile Command Center came from 20 local businesses who made financial contributions to the project.

Mayor Shelton thanked the LMA for the recognition and praised Police Chief Salsbury for taking the lead and making it happen.



Brian Hargroder and Brandon Lagroue of 9th Grade Academy

New Academy For 9th Graders Opens Aug. 13

CENTRAL — The Central Community School System's new 9th Grade Academy will open next Thursday, Aug. 13 on the campus of Central High School.

The new facility has 14 classrooms, four science labs, and two technology labs in 35,000 square feet. It has a capacity for 360 students. The new facility was financed with a bond issue approved by Central voters.

Brandon Lagroue and Brian Hargroder will have administrative responsibilities at the academy.

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COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMENT — The Louisiana Municipal Association gave the City of Central its 1st Place Award for Community Achievement, in recognition of the city's new Mobile Command Center.

Sen. Vitter Campaigns for Governor Here

Leads in Polls, Fundraising as Race Heats Up

CENTRAL - Sen. David Vitter brought his campaign for Governor to Central last month when he participated in 10th Anniversary Celebration at Lovett Road park. Vitter is leading in the polls and in fundraising on the eve of the Oct. 24 primary. Also campaigning here was PSC Commissioner Scott Angelle, who spoke to voters at a reception at Central Perk last week. The local GOP plans to make an endorsement in the race Aug. 13.



10TH BIRTHDAY PARTY — Sen. David Vitter celebrated Central's 10th birthday at Lovett Road park with Chief Bill Porche, Capt. Derek Glover, Capt. Stephen Branscum, and firefighter Austin Porche

Central Goes Back to School On August 13

CENTRAL - More than 4,600 students are expected to attend their first day of class next Thursday, Aug. 13, when school opens for the new school year in Central.

On Monday, Aug. 10, teachers will meet for their annual Back to School convocation. That event will begin at 8 a.m. at Greenwell Springs Baptist Church. Dr. Dennis Swanberg will be speaking.

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WHERE IS HE NOW? — Rev. Arron McGuffee, former youth pastor at Zoar Baptist, with his children. Rev. McGuffee is now a chaplain with the United States Army Reserve, based in Hammond, Louisiana. For more, go to www.facebook.com/Arronandashley

Country Living in the City

What Seems So Certain Seldom Is That Way

Woody Jenkins
Editor

BATON ROUGE — I’m always so amazed when someone says a particular thing is going to happen or a certain candidate is going to be elected or a certain calamity is about to befall us. One of the things I’ve learned in life is that no can predict the future with any accuracy and that what seems so certain one moment often turns out exactly the opposite.

Just a few weeks ago, the experts announced that Hillary Clinton had the Democratic nomination for President locked up and Jeb Bush had the Republican nomination in the bag. What a difference a few weeks makes! It wasn’t long ago that we were told Donald Trump wouldn’t run for President and that if he did, he would fall on his face.

A couple of weeks ago, the St. George movement was dead. Yet, today, a new school superintendent and a new school board are push-

ing the same kind of reforms that St. George wanted.

Just a few weeks ago, a popular state representative, Alfred Williams, was alive and totally engaged in the affairs of this community. He was so full of personality and good ideas, and he was a major influence in our town. Today he sadly has passed away. Our sincere condolences go out to his family.

We look at so many things happening in Washington and even here in our town and ask, How could that be happening in America?

Perhaps the issues that worry me the most are 1) the American holocaust of abortion, led by the ghoulish institution Planned Parenthood, 2) illegal immigration, because it threatens to change the fabric of America, 3) same-sex marriage which undermines perhaps our most fundamental human institution, and 4) the Iranian nuclear deal, which opens the door for the world’s biggest terrorist state to get nuclear weapons.

I asked Mrs. Helen Fairchild,



The late Rep. Alfred Williams (right) and your columnist

who just celebrated her 100th birthday, how her parents would react to the news of the day, if they were here right now.

Without hesitation, she said she was sure her daddy would not want to stay around. Mrs. Fairchild is

filled with wisdom, but she had no easy answers on how to get out of the mess our nation finds itself in. However, she did say something profound.

She said, “Just remember, this is still the best place there is!”

And isn’t that the truth!

This is still America! We still have our freedom — at least for now — and we can exercise our right to speak and write and publish. We can still meet among ourselves. We can still rally and protest. We can still worship as we please.

Nothing is certain except that we are Americans, born free and endowed with a love of liberty and the willingness to fight for that liberty if need be.

But isn’t that quite enough?

Congratulations to the City of Central for receiving 1st Place from the Louisiana Municipal Association for outstanding Community Achievement by a city with a population over 25,000.

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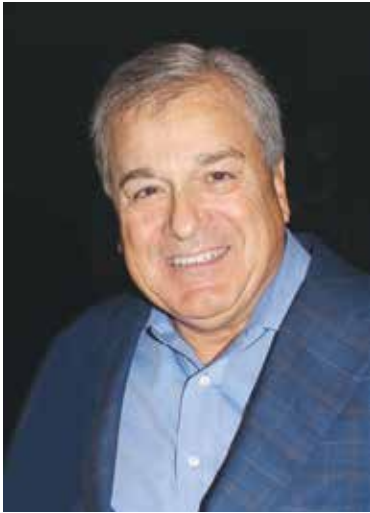
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THE REPUBLICAN PARTY of East Baton Rouge Parish has endorsed these incumbent public officials in the Oct. 24 primary election. Endorsements are made by the 17-member Parish Executive Committee, which is elected by the Republican voters of the parish every four years. Candidates answer a questionnaire and submit to an on-the-record interview by the committee. The committee will make additional endorsements in the weeks ahead.

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Helen Fairchild Celebrates 100th Birthday,



Hostess at Helen's 100th birthday party

Editor's Note: Mrs. Helen Fairchild celebrated her 100th birthday with two different parties last week. Miss Helen was born in Felixville near Clinton in 1915. She went to a country school in Felixville until the 7th grade when she moved first to Baton Rouge and then to Prairieville, where she graduated from Oak Grove High School. She met George Marion Fairchild of Greenwell Springs in 1937, and they were married in 1945 just before the end of World War II. They lived in Baton Rouge until 1949 when they moved to Greenwell Springs. George



HELEN FAIRCHILD and her pastor, Jeff Meyers of Greenwell Springs Baptist Church. Helen just celebrated her 100th birthday. She and her husband, the late George Marion Fairchild, built their home in 1949. It is located across from Greenwell Springs Baptist.



The late George Marion Fairchild, husband of Helen Fairchild,. They married in 1945. He passed away in 1996.





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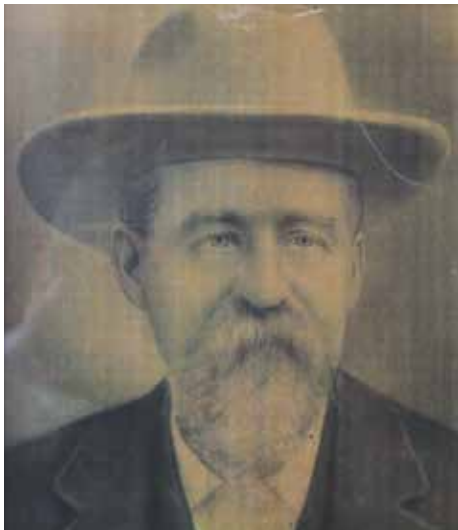
The late George Marion Fairchild



George Marion Fairchild, blacksmith



George Marion Fairchild's father and mother — Jesse Lee Fairchild and Georgie Mixon Fairchild — grinding sugar cane in Greenwell Springs. They were Helen's father-in-law and mother-in-law.



George Marion Fairchild's grandfather, Jesse Marion Fairchild

Shares Her Secrets of Long Life, Happiness

worked for the City-Parish government until he retired. Helen worked for the State Welfare Department until they started having children in 1949. After the children were older, she did some teaching at Bellingrath and Central High. Helen and George have two children, two grandchildren, and one great grandchild. George, who was also well known as a blacksmith, passed away in 1996. In this interview, we asked Miss Helen to tell us about her life and give some advice for future generations.

Woody Jenkins

Editor

GREENWELL SPRINGS - This interview was conducted at the home of Mrs. Helen Fairchild across from Greenwell Springs Baptist Church. She is in good health but has to use a walker to get around.

Question: What was life like growing up in the early part of the 20th century?

Miss Helen: My father was born in 1861 while the war was going on, and he and my mother got married in 1899. But they didn't have me until 1915. There were only two phones out in the country. So when my mother was expecting me, my father went to get the doctor, who came to our house with his horse and buggy on a Sunday. He stayed with mama and never left until I was born on Tuesday. We didn't have electricity or indoor plumbing. We went to the bathroom in the out-house and never used toilet paper. We always used the Sears Roebuck catalog. We used lime to reduce the odor. We took a bath in a tin tub, size 3. In the winter, we bathed indoors, but during the summer, we bathed on the long back porch. It wasn't a terrible life. Everyone else was like we were. To keep cool, we used a hand fan. When you went to church, everyone was fanning themselves, and it was the same at funerals. The funeral homes gave out fans to everyone. When we had free time, we'd often sit on the front porch and enjoy a breeze. Houses were always built with a view of how to get the best breeze across the porch, and windows were built to maximize circulation. When I was small, we didn't have screens on the windows, but we did use mos-



Helen Fairchild, born in 1915, at her home in Greenwell Springs

quito bars, which were nets over our beds. Later we got screens. We treasured trips to the grocery store and the grist mill once a month. I'd always get some sticks of candy. We children learned to entertain ourselves. We made up games or played baseball, although we never had a bat. The girls made mudcakes and decorated them. I learned to drive a Model T car.

Question: If your parents were here, what would they think about things that are going on today?

Miss Helen: They would be shocked! My daddy would say, "I

want to go back!" My father taught us to be honest, have faith, and trust

in the Lord. If not, you don't have anything. Honesty was always the main thing with my father. But remember this: Whatever is wrong today, we still live in the best place.

Question: At your age, you've lost many friends and loved ones. How do you handle that?

Miss Helen: The hardest thing is losing a child. I lost my parents, husband, sister, and my son. You don't get over it. You just learn to live with it. A lot of people are overcome with grief. What I've found is to keep busy. Whether you have a job or not, keep busy. I loved my church work.

Question: What is your advice on raising children?

Miss Helen: Most parents work today. Remember this: Children need security. They need a place to feel safe. When my grandchildren got off the bus, they came here. I was always here for my children and grandchildren. Have them in church and Sunday school, love them, and make them feel secure.

Question: What is your secret to long life?

Miss Helen: Vegetables and fruits are good for the brain. We had peaches, apples, figs, pears, and vegetables like beans, peas, squash, cucumbers. Name it and we had it. My dad was a cattleman. The formula is, just keep living!

Miss Helen lovingly showed photos of her husband George and told about his blacksmithing. She showed old photographs of the Fairchild family and talked about George's brother, the late Dr. Jesse Fairchild, who wrote the History of Greenwell Springs to 1950. "I wanted him to write more and tell everyone what life was like here!" she said.

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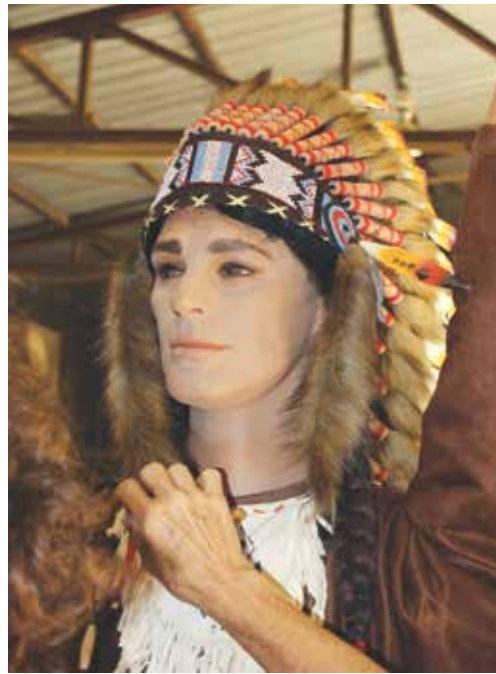
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Chief Nawaganti Returns to Public View



ISTROUMA High Class of 1964 graduates Darlene Frank, Wayne Messina, and Ginger Foster dress Chief Nawaganti in preparation for his going on display at the Goodwood library.



NEW buckskins and a new headdress prepared Nawaganti to go public with dignity.



MOVING Nawaganti from school board warehouse to main library.



After 50 years, Chief Nawaganti's buckskin costume was crumbling apart. But Emily Tran, Darlene Frank and Ginger Foster lovingly made a new costume.



ISTROUMA grads Sam Rainey and Wayne Messina carried Nawaganti into the main library, where he assumed a place of honor.



PETE ESTABE (center) of Contemporary Cabinets built the glass display case for the Main Library on Goodwood.

Woody Jenkins

Editor

BATON ROUGE - Istrouma High School graduates are breathing a sigh of relief as they learn that their beloved mascot, Chief Nawaganti, has been saved from destruction, restored to his former glory, and installed in a safe public place — the Baton Rouge Room of the new Main Library on Goodwood Boulevard.

Istrouma was the largest high school in the state for many years. In the 1960's, it had more than 1,900 students in grades 10 to 12. From the 1930's to the 1960's, it was often the state's dominant high school football power. It produced a host of college and professional athletes, including Billy Cannon, the LSU All-American who won the Heisman Trophy in 1959.



Wayne Messina adjusted Nawaganti's headpiece before going on display.

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CHIEF NAWAGANTI takes place of honor at the Baton Rouge Room of the Main Library on Goodwood Boulevard. At left, Wayne Messina guides the display case into position. At center, Istrouma alumni Wayne Messina, Sam Rainey, Ginger Foster, Ken Wall, and Woody Jenkins. At right, cabinet maker Pete Estabe admires his creation.

Istrouma Mascot Fully Restored and in New Case

When mass busing of students began in 1970, enrollment at Istrouma and many other parish schools began to decline. So did test scores, and by 2010 Istrouma was declared a “failing school.” It was taken over by the State of Louisiana through the State Recovery District.

While Istrouma was under EBR, many alumni complained the school administration was not properly protecting the school’s nine state championship trophies and countless other trophies, photos,

and mementoes.

After the state took over Istrouma, a custodian at the school called an alumnus to report treasured trophies thrown away in a dumpster. Some alumni discovered a room with water on the floor where boxes of mementos were being left to disintegrate.

When the State of Louisiana closed the school in May 2014, Istrouma alumni expressed concern to school officials that the school’s mascot, Chief Nawaganti, and school trophies would be stolen or

vandalized.

With permission of state and parish school board officials, alumnus Wayne Messina, then director of security for the East Baton Rouge school system, intervened and rescued many items.

Nawaganti was taken to the school board food service office for storage. Then a dedicated band of Istrouma Indians began raising money to properly restore Nawaganti’s costume and build a professional case. They raised more than

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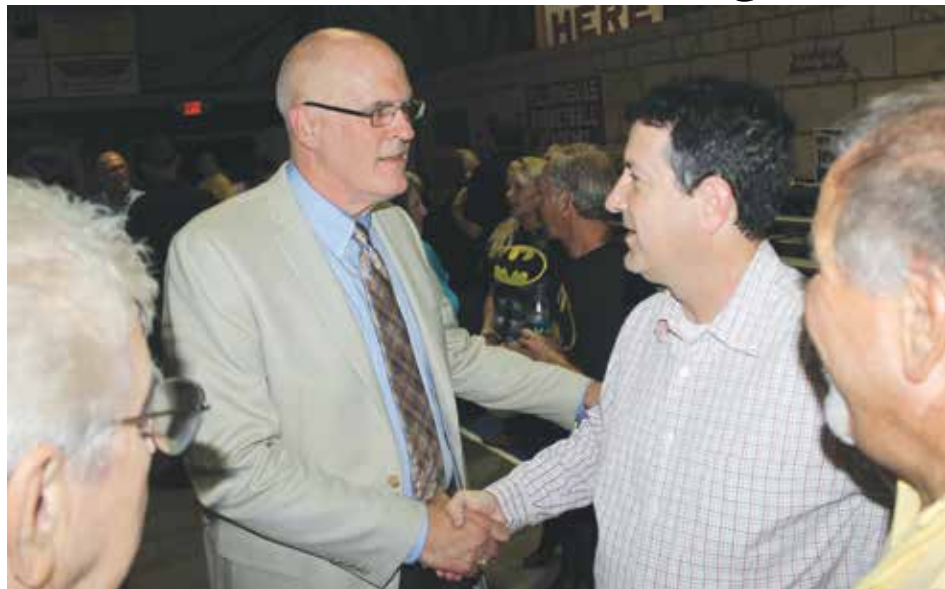
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Mannino: Law Allows 41 Apartments, Not 250

Too Many Apartments?

Residents Weighing Options On Settlement at Shoe Creek



RELEASED BY MAYOR — After nearly 10 years’ service to the City of Central, David Barrow (right) was terminated as the city’s Chief Administrative Officer by Mayor Jr. Shelton (left). Photo from Shelton victory party on election night 2014.

Barrow Out as City’s CAO

CENTRAL - In a brief statement Monday, Central Mayor Jr. Shelton announced that effective immediately David Barrow would no longer serve as the city’s Chief Administrative Officer. Barrow has served the City of Central for nearly 10 years.

Shelton thanked Barrow for his years of service, but said he would have no further comment on the matter. Contacted by the *Central City News*, Barrow said he would like to thank the many people who

called him to show their support over the past three days. “The appreciation is incredible and truly means a lot to me,” he said.

Because neither the mayor nor Barrow are publicly discussing what happened, social media have been filled with speculation about what caused the rupture.

Since the CAO serves at the pleasure of the mayor, the mayor has no obligation to state a reason for the termination, and stating a reason could lead to potential liability.

CENTRAL - The Central City Council approved the city’s 2nd Traditional Neighborhood Development last week, but now a group of citizens is weighing legal options on what to do about the project.

The TND, which is called, The Settlement on Shoe Creek, would include commercial buildings, single family houses, and apartments. All 250 apartments would be built above commercial buildings.

However, Mike Mannino, one the leaders of the citizens group, said Section 14.8 of the city’s Comprehensive Zoning Code sets forth the density requirements for TND’s and those requirements provide that only 41 apartments can be built in the development, not 250. He cites Section 14.8(D)(4)(a)(ii) and (b)(ii) of the code.

On Monday, Mayor Jr. Shelton said the Central Planning & Zoning Commission and the City Council both approved the project after the city’s attorneys said the number of apartments meets the code’s density requirements. “I don’t make those calculations, but I am relying on those who do,” Shelton said.

Mannino said his group feels the Zoning Code requirements are being violated, and they are weighing their legal options. Filing suit could require the posting of a bond of \$1 million or more.

Bond Could Pose Problem for Suit

CENTRAL - An attorney consulted by the *Central City News* told the newspaper that a suit challenging The Settlement at Shoe Creek could be problematic. He said, “Since the development has been approved, the developer has the right to move forward and rely on the city’s action. If someone sues to block the development, the developer stands to lose money. Since the development is supposed to be worth \$35 million, the lost to the developer could be millions. As a result, the court could and probably would require the plaintiff to post a large bond, perhaps \$1 million or more. This could make it almost impossible for anyone to sue to stop the project.”

The attorney said, “There is also the issue of standing and whether the plaintiff has a sufficient interest in the outcome of the matter to have standing to file suit. The courts don’t allow every wrong to be corrected, and standing is often used to protect illegal governmental action.”

City Officials Win LMA Award



COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMENT AWARD — Central city officials won 1st Place in the Louisiana Municipal Association competition. Shown are Mayor Jr. Shelton (2nd from right) with Councilmen John Vance, Wayne Messina, and Kim Fralick, and Police Chief James Salisbury. Not shown are Councilmen Shane Evans and Jason Ellis.

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Central's MVP Sheriff Sid Gautreaux, represented by his wife Suzi



BUSINESSES OF DECADE — David's Mobil, represented by James and Jeannie David, and Central Drugs, represented by Claud Derbes, were named Business of Decade.



Central's Coach of the Decade Sid Edwards of Central High



Magnolia Square, Central's Development of the Decade, represented by Steele Pollard and Jimmy Nunnally.



CITIZENS OF DECADE — Mayor Jr. Shelton recognized the Citizens of the Decade — Dr. David Walker, Jim Lloyd, Roxanne Atkinson, Sharon Browning, Will Easley, Ruby Foil, Dr. Jim Gardner, and Supt. Mike Faulk for work on public education in Central.

BATON ROUGE - A number of Central residents and businesses were honored during the Central City News' Best of the Decade Awards ceremonies held at the Chamber of Commerce of East Baton Rouge meeting last Tuesday.

The Chamber EBR meets at Café Américain, 7521 Jefferson Hwy. in Baton Rouge on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

The decade is 2005 to 2015, which is the first 10 years of existence of both the City of Central and the Central City News newspaper.

The newspaper chose the award winners based on a review of its archives over a 10-year period.

The highest award, **Citizen of the Decade**, was presented by Central Mayor Jr. Shelton to eight individuals who distinguished themselves by service to public education in Central. They were

- Roxanne Atkinson
- Sharon Browning
- Will Easley
- Supt. Mike Faulk
- Ruby Foil
- Dr. Jim Gardner
- Jim Lloyd
- Dr. David Walker

For his work in providing outstanding law enforcement protection to the people of Central, the following official was named **Central's MVP**:

- Sheriff Sid Gautreaux

For exemplary service to the people of Central during Hurricane Gustav, the following were named as Central's **Outstanding Businesses of the Decade**:

- David's Mobil, represented by James and Jeannie David
- Central Drug Store, represented by Claud Derbes

For its extraordinary story of success, the **Outstanding New Business of the Decade** was:

- Oak Point Fresh Market, represented by the Sumich family

Named the **Outstanding Development of the Decade** was:

- Village at Magnolia Square, represented by Jimmy Nunnally and Steele Pollard

For his exemplary character and outstanding performance as a player for Central High School, the following young man was named **Outstanding Athlete of the Decade**:

- Will Briscoe

For his outstanding performance as a coach, the **Outstanding Coach of the Decade** was:

- Coach Sid Edwards

For saving three babies lives in an accident off Hooper Road, the **Central Hero of the Decade** was:

- Brandon Gomez

Sharing in the honor of **Central Hero of the Decade** for their efforts to save more than 130 people during Hurricane Isaac in Plaquemines Parish were:

- Jesse Shaffer III
- Jesse Shaffer IV

Central City News editor Woody Jenkins told the story of each honoree. He said it has been an honor for the newspaper to cover the story of Central's first 10 years of existence.

He said, "There are few communities in this country that truly uphold the principles that made America great such as belief in God, country, home, family, and hard work. Central is one of those communities, and we have the privilege of serving as the newspaper for this great community."

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Jade Grantham, Jonathan Turner Wed April 19

CENTRAL - Jade Alexandra Grant-ham and Jonathan Curtis Turner were married in a 5 p.m. ceremony on April 19, 2015, at Crossgate Church in Robert. Rev. Louis Husser officiated. The bride is the daughter of David and Kathy Grantham of Covington. She is the granddaughter of Fern and Farley Grantham and Patsy Milton and the late Dempsey Milton. The bridegroom is the son of Dean and Jeannie Turner of Central. He is the grandson of Richard and Flo Turner and Jackie and Sharon Parker. The bride was attended by her



Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Turner

man of honor, her brother Derek Grantham. Bridesmaids were Samantha Carr, Sarah Trinh, LeEllen Fauntleroy, Hannah Turner, and Katie Welsh. The flower girl was Olivia Modisett. Ringbearers were Owen and Evan Smith. The groom was attended by his best man, Jamie Phillips. Groomsmen were Cody Martin, Preston Gautreaux, Jay Parker, and Tony Trinh. A reception immediately followed the ceremony at Albany Plantation. The couple honeymooned in Jamaica and now resides in Hammond.

John and Shelia Ringo Were Married June 27



Mr. and Mrs. John Ringo and Family

CENTRAL - John and Sheila Ringo announce their marriage on June 27, 2015. The bride, Sheila Kay Mancuso, is the daughter of the late Howard and Eunice Mancuso, and the groom is the son of Sonny and Ethel Ringo. The couple had a small intimate

ceremony at the bride's home conducted by their friend and minister, Brett Smith. The bride's daughters, Lunden and Gracen Mouton gave their mother away with Tara Andrepont as the Maid of Honor and the groom's father, Sonny Ringo, as Best Man.

The ceremony included the groom's family, Josh and Jennifer Booty with their children, Gage and Gabbie. Meghann Ringo and Jason McLeod with their daughter Ella. Brandon and Brandi Ringo with their son Xander. Also in attendance was Miss Deanna Butler. Sheila is a local business owner of Kids' Cove Day Care and Learning Center, John is a long-time employee and Operations Coordinator for Entergy Corporation. John and Sheila plan to live in his home in Central.

Central HS Class of 2005 To Hold 10-Year Reunion

The Central High School Class of 2005 will have their 10-year reunion on Saturday, August 29 from 7 to 10 p.m. at Drusilla Place Catering. The costs is \$50 per person. Deadline to register is July 15. Visit the Facebook page or email them at chs2005classreunion@gmail.com.

BIRTHS

Ian Michael Kowal Born July 7 at Ochsner Clinic



CENTRAL — Barry and Tosha (Meyers) Kowal proudly announce the birth of their son, Ian Michael. He was born on July 7, 2015 at 11:32 a.m. at Ochsner Medical Center. He weighed 9 pounds, 2 ounces and was 21 inches long. Proud grandparents are Brandon and Charlene Hyde, Mike and Shannon Kowal, and Terry and Peggy Meyers. Ian was welcomed home by siblings Emily, Evan and Ada.

Camden Michael Parker Born June 11 at Woman's



CENTRAL — Jeffrey and Jessica Parker of Zachary proudly announce the birth of their first child, Camden Michael Parker. Camden was born at Woman's Hospital at 1:46 p.m. on June 11, 2015. Camden weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces and was 21 inches long. Proud grandparents are Beverly Hodges and Bob and Elaine Parker, both of Zachary.

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New 9th Grade Academy to Open Aug. 13



NEW 9TH GRADE ACADEMY — The first class of 9th graders to attend Central High's new 9th Grade Academy will walk through the doors for the first time next Thursday, Aug. 13.



CENTRAL — The new 9th Grade Academy at Central High School will open this Thursday, Aug. 13. The new school within a school is designed to help students transition from middle school to high school.

The new facility has 14 classrooms, four science labs, and two technology labs. The building has a total of 33,000 square feet.

The school will have the capacity to serve 360 9th grade students.

At left, Central High principal David Prescott, Louise Rauls, school board president Ruby Foil, 9th grader Camille Provost, and Supt. Mike Faulk.

What's Happening?

**Now to Sept. 4
Registration for
Baton Rouge Soccer Club**

Central Campus is open now, and players can either register online at brsoccer.org, or by calling BRSC (225) 924-2157. Early Bird discounts for early registration end on Thursday, Aug. 27. Online registration closes on Sept. 4. For more information, visit www.brsoccer.org.

**Aug. 6 • Aug. 20 • Sept. 3
FREE Soccer Clinic**

BRSC at Central Sports Park

BRSC will be offering a free skills clinic designed to help players in Central sharpen their soccer skills leading up to the start of the season. These will be held at Central Sports Park on Aug. 6, Aug. 20, and Sept. 3 at 5:30 p.m.

**Aug. 9 • 1-5 p.m.
Back to School Carnival
Life Church Central**

Life Church Central invites ages 5-15 to join them for a Back2Skool Carnival Aug. 9 from 1 to 5 p.m. Free food and prizes, with games and bounce house and lots of FUN! For information go to www.mylifecentral.com

**Aug. 19 • 6:30-8 p.m.
AWANA Program Kick-Off
First Baptist Central Church**

The AWANA Program at First Baptist Church Central will kick-off with a Luau Round-Up Theme. Registration on Wednesday, Aug. 19, 2015, from 6:30 to 8 p.m., at First Baptist Central Church Gym, 9676 Sullivan Road. Bring a swimsuit and towel. For more information, call please call the church office at 225-261-3722.

**Aug. 21-22
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Woman's Conference
Zoar Baptist Church**

With Kelly Minter "The Fitting Room - Clothing Ourselves with Christ" Tickets are: \$25 for ladies ages 16 to 23; \$30 for ladies 24 and older. After July 29, the price is \$35. Register online at <http://www.zoarbaptist.org/events-and-registration>.

A Letter to My New Neighbors Matt and Laura

Dear Matt and Laura,

I know we haven't known each other long, but did you notice our new car?

We picked it up last Monday and Gloria was so excited I thought she was going to sleep in it that night.

However, Tuesday morning she took it in to the dealership for them to touch up a little scratch under the handle on the driver's door.

The touch up paint wasn't the right color and the repair was so terrible the body shop agreed to remove and repaint the entire door to match the rest of the car.

Wednesday, when they reinstalled the door, the power window wouldn't go up! It seems the computer failed because of some switched wires. After ordering and installing a new computer, it wouldn't recognize that model

transmission. So reverse was the only gear in which the transmission could be engaged.

Thursday, after the explanation about the transmission, Gloria wanted her new car so badly that she agreed to only drive the car in reverse. Thank goodness I was there to stop her!

I convinced her to leave the car in the shop until they made that repair. Well, the more repairs they made, the worst things became.

When Gloria came home Friday crying that they had disassembled her beautiful new car, I decided I had better go check on the situation.

To my dismay, they had indeed removed everything from under the hood and were walking around scratching their heads, mumbling that for some reason the engine wouldn't even turn over.

Saturday, we met with the dealership's manager, and he was very kind to Gloria and agreed to total out our car and allowed her to pick out another new car.

Gloria likes this one even better than the first and spent Sunday afternoon after church washing it from top to bottom. While doing so, she noticed the back windshield had a tiny, tiny bubble in the glass that she claimed distorted her view through the rear view mirror.

I'm scared, Matt, really, really scared! Bright and early this morning Gloria took the car to the dealership to have the rear windshield replaced and has been gone all morning. I haven't seen or heard from her since!

I'll keep you posted.

Your friend,
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Wreath-laying by officers of United Daughters of the Confederacy

BATON ROUGE - More than 150 local residents gathered at Historic Magnolia Cemetery Saturday, Aug. 1 for the 32nd Annual Commemorative Ceremony of the Battle of Baton Rouge on Aug. 5, 1862. Much of the fighting occurred around the cemetery. The event, which is sponsored by the Foundation for Historical Louisiana and BREC, featured

Union and Confederate re-enactors who fired a cannon and rifles, demonstrated Civil War-era medicine, and held a flag-raising ceremony. Members of the United Daughters of the Confederacy placed wreaths on some of the graves. Many of the Union soldiers who died in battle are buried in the National Cemetery next door, perhaps because they fell so far from home,



Sarah Grace Brooks, President, Joanna Waddill Chapter, UDC



King Robinson brought flowers to place on the grave of his great-great grandfather, 2nd Lt. Zachariah Causey, who died fighting for the Confederacy during the Battle of Baton Rouge on Aug. 8, 1862. He was 39, 5'6" fair with hazel eyes and auburn hair, a farmer from Ponchatoula. He was with Co. B, 9th Louisiana infantry. He fell leading a charge against a Union artillery position.



Attendees at annual Battle of Baton Rouge commemoration Aug. 1, 2015



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A photograph of a historical reenactment featuring a large cannon on a grassy field. Two men in period uniforms are in the foreground; one is operating the cannon, and the other is gesturing. Large plumes of white smoke are visible in the background.

A photograph of two young men standing in a cemetery, dressed in Civil War era clothing. The man on the left wears a brown jacket, blue pants, and a green cap, holding a rifle. The man on the right wears a brown jacket, grey pants, and a brown hat, also holding a rifle. They are standing on grass with trees and tombstones in the background.

The ceremony was dedicated to Ory Poret, former chairman of the

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Trio Graduated, Joined Army Together



DEFENDERS — After graduating from Central High May 15, Landon Disedare, Landon Bourg, and Sam Lockwood joined the United States Army.

BATON ROUGE - Three young men from Central graduated from Central High School on May 15, 2015, and decided to join the United States Army. Landon Bourg shipped out on June 2 and will do his Basic Training and AIT for 12B, Combat Engineer at Fort

Leonard Wood, MO, and then on to Fort Benning, GA, for Airborne training. Landon Disedare is already a Reservist in the U.S. Army with the 321st Combat Sustainment Brigade. He shipped out July 7 to do his Basic Training at Fort Leonard Wood, MO, and then on

to Fort Lee, VA for AIT, 89B, Ammunition Specialist. Sam Lockwood shipped out July 8 and will do his Basic Training and AIT for 13F, Fire Support Specialist at Fort

Sill, OK, and then on to Fort Benning, GA for Airborne training. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.



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Parkview Lass Named Miss Baton Rouge

BATON ROUGE - The new Miss Baton Rouge is Devin Boyd, a graduate of Parkview Baptist School and the LSU School of Mass Communications, where she had a 3.63 average and was on the Honor Roll.

Devin's victory was unusual because she won all of the competition's categories — swimsuit, evening gown, interview, and most photogenic.

As Miss Baton Rouge 2016, she will represent the city at a wide range of events and will compete in the Miss Louisiana USA contest later this year.

In an interview with the *Capital City News*, Devin said that so far the most interesting part of her job as Miss Baton Rouge was hosting the contestants in the Miss USA Pageant in Baton Rouge last month.

"To be Miss Baton Rouge during the Miss USA Pageant was a special honor and allowed me to meet so many wonderful people!"

Devin said her biggest goal right now is to do a good job as Miss Baton Rouge and serve the community successfully.



MISS BATON ROUGE USA Devin Boyd with her father Dana and mother Terry. All are from Baton Rouge. Devin hopes to win the Miss Louisiana USA Pageant.

She also has her eyes on the Miss Louisiana USA title, which will be chosen Oct. 23-24 in Lafayette. The winner will get to compete for the title of Miss USA. "The date and location of next year's Miss USA Pageant haven't been announced yet," she said, "but wouldn't it be wonderful to be from Baton Rouge and get to compete in the Miss USA Pageant right in your own hometown!" Miss USA is a preliminary to the Miss Universe Pageant.

Devin has lots of experience in beauty pageants. She's been a finalist for Miss Louisiana USA on three previous occasions and was 1st runner up in 2012.

She graduated from Parkview in 2008 and LSU in 2012. She has interned at Tiger TV and WBRZ, where she did sports reporting. She is also a professional model. Her goal is to become a sports journalist.

Devin is the daughter of Dana and Terry Boyd of Baton Rouge. She can be contacted at MissBatonRougeUSA@yahoo.com.

Nawaganti Will Be on Display A Month a Year At Main Library

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\$5,000.

The Istrouma Class of 1964 donated Nawaganti to the school as their senior gift. Members of class were determined that Nawaganti would not only be preserved from destruction but restored.

The legendary Indian chief was in a bad way. His costume had rotted and was literally falling apart. Only his moccasins and a few other items could be saved.

Class of 1964 graduates Darlene Frank and Ginger Foster worked with Emily Tran to design and create a new buckskin costume, along with all the accessories Nawaganti would need.

The old case was so large and so rickety that it could not be moved without spending a small fortune. So Istrouma alumni retained Pete Estabro of Contemporary Cabinets to build a new display cabinet to serve as Nawaganti's home.

On July 22, Istrouma graduates, mostly from the Class of 1964, dressed Nawaganti in his new costume and moved him and the new display case to the Baton Rouge Room of the new Main Library on Goodwood Boulevard. They spent two hours installing it.

Nawaganti is now on display. Wayne Messina said Nawaganti will be formally unveiled in ceremonies at the library in a few weeks.

Baton Rouge Room director Melissa Eastin said she anticipates putting Nawaganti and other Istrouma memorabilia on display for a month each year, probably in July.



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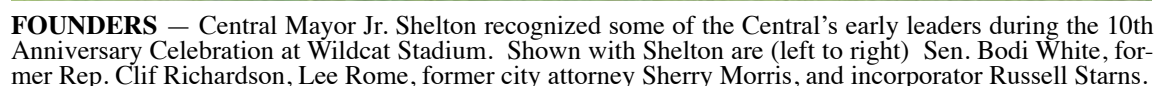
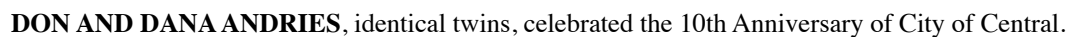
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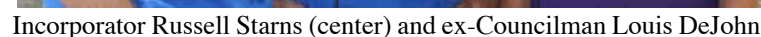
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MAYOR JR. SHELTON interviewed attendees at Central’s 10th Anniversary Celebration including his grandson Porter. Shelton asked Porter, “Who is the mayor?” and little Porter said, “My Paw Paw!” Enjoying the dialogue were the Mayor’s daughter Brandi (left) and wife Rita (center).



HANDPRINTS — Central children made handprints on an anniversary banner to hang in City Hall.



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