

October 14 Primary Endorsements

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After 8 Years of Democratic Rule, A New Direction

Decision Time: October 14

Candidates

City of Central Saturday, Oct. 14, 2023 Governor

Sharon Hewitt Jeff Landry **Hunter Lundy** John Schroder Stephen Waguespack Shawn Wilson**

Lt. Governor

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Republican Party endorsements are in Red. Democratic Party endorsements are in Blue. The Central City

News supports all of the Republican endorsements. Where there is no **GOP endorsement, the Central City** News endorsements are in Green.





BATTLE LINES are drawn between Republican Jeff Landry (left) and Democrat Shawn Wilson in the race for Governor of Louisiana in the primary election set for Oct. 14, 2023.

Woody Jenkins

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CENTRAL — After eight years of Democratic rule under Gov. John Bel Edwards, Louisiana politics seems to be in the midst of a dramatic turn. If polling is correct, Republican Attorney General Jeff Landry, and Democratic Secretary of Transportation and Development Shawn Wilson will end up in a runoff election, scheduled for Nov. 18.

Attorney General Landry is the most conservative of the four major

Republicans in the race and stands in marked contrast to Gov. Edwards, who largely governed from the left, at least by Louisiana standards.

Secretary Wilson, who has defended Edwards' positions, would likely serve as a continuation of the Edwards administration.

Landry could be the most conservative governor in modern times, especially when in comes to personal liberty, right to life, traditional family values, low taxes, and

support for law enforcement.

Landry would be strongly favored in a Landry-Wilson runoff.

Constitutional Amendments Statewide

Saturday, Oct. 14, 2023

Amendment No. 1 A Constitutional amendment to forbid the use of funds from a foreign or nonprofit organization from being used to conduct elections in Louisiana without approval of Secretary of State.

Yes or No **Central City News** recommends YES

Amendment No. 2 A Constitutional amendment to quarantee the right to worship in a church or other place of worship and make it very difficult to close churches.

> Yes or No **Central City News** recommends YES

Amendment No. 3 A Constitutional amendment to provide 25% of nonrecurring state revenue would be used to fund state retirement systems, rather than infrastructure improvements such as highways, bridges, and drainage projects.

Yes or No **Central City News** recommends NO

Amendment No. 4 A Constitutional amendment to give City-Parish Council and other governing bodies the right to revoke certain property tax exemptions for churches and other nonprofit organizations.

> Yes or No Central City News recommends NO

East Baton Rouge Parish EMS Tax Renewal Saturday, Oct. 14, 2023

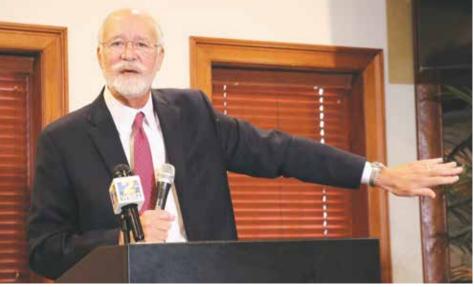
To renew the 3.1 mill property tax which funds Emergency Medical Services in East Baton Rouge Parish for 10 years. The tax currently produces \$16 million a year. Comment: This department is one of the few where the governmental agency does a great job and where taxpayers get their money's work. Yes or No. Central City News recommends YES

Blue Cross Withdraws Proposed Sale... for Now

Controversial Plan To Sell Blue Cross, Strip Assets Could Return Next Year

BATON ROUGE — Local small business owners met at the Chamber of Commerce of East Baton Rouge Parish last week to their continue their attacks against a plan by the Board of Directors of Blue Cross of Louisiana to sell the company to a for-profit out-of-state insurance giant, Elevance.

But just hours before the meeting, Blue Cross announced it was shelving the plan to sell the company and hand the \$2.5 billion sales price and \$900 million in excess reserves to a new Delaware non-profit foun-



Attorney Tut Kinney excoriated the Blue Cross plan as a money grab from members.

dation the Board set up. Business owners had denounced the plan as to policy holders and as a step to-

the theft of \$3.4 billion belonging

ward Louisiana losing Blue Cross and many of its 3,500 employees as Elevance consolidates and econo-

Blue Cross announced that it would be coming back next year with a new plan to sell the company when Louisiana has a new insurance commissioner and a new governor. However, as Blue Cross ran for the hills with its plan, members of the Chamber only intensified their fire. Chamber chairman Cecil Cavanaugh said his group wants to keep the plan dead.

The Chamber got plenty of help

from New Orleans attorney Henry "Tut" Kinney who roasted the plan

and the Blue Cross Board for proposing it. Click this QR code to hear his remarks Sept. 26 at the Chamber EBR.



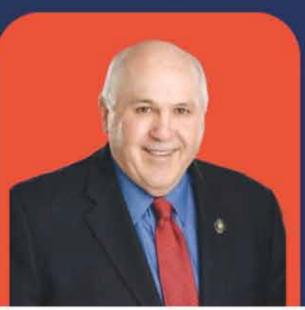
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Senate. Rick has always been a rock-solid conservative who gets things done
for his community and never wavers on his values. He's stood up for our men
and women in law enforcement, fought reckless spending, and defended life
and liberty every step of the way. I'm supporting Rick Edmonds for State
Senate and hope you will, too."
- Sen. John Kennedy



Rick and Cindy Edmonds
"My goal is to be elected to serve as your next
State Senator in October. In February my goal is to
celebrate 50 years of marriage with the love of my
life, Cindy. I am going to achieve one of those
goals, but I need your support to achieve the
other." - Rick Edmonds

Supreme Court Refuses Pastor Spell Case But State Court Case Is Moving Forward

EDITOR'S NOTE: The U.S. Supreme Court this week refused to hear a civil case filed in federal court by Rev. Tony Spell and Life Tabernacle seeking damages against Gov. John Bel Edwards and others for violation of their civil rights during the pandemic. How-ever, both Pastor Spell and the church have a separate civil case in state court, which they are pursuing. Most attorneys who have studied the case tell us the case is stronger under state law and has a good chance of success, especially since the Louisiana Supreme Court already ruled on the principal issues when they threw out the criminal charges against Pastor Spell. Our thanks to TheHayride for allowing us to reprint this article by Connie Hair.

Connie Hair

Originally published in TheHayride

BATON ROUGE — The importance of getting out to vote for Amendment No. 2 on the Oct. 14 ballot protecting churches was just kicked up a notch when the Supreme Court of the United States denied certiorari, or judicial review, of the case of Pastor Tony Spell v. [soon-to-be for-mer] Gov. John Bel Edwards, et al. As bill sponsor Sen. Beth Mizell

said when she brought what became Amendment No. 2, "In the latest action that we went through with the pandemic, churches were the last gathering places that were allowed to open. This bill attempts to affirm a right that was put in place at our founding which is the freedom of worship." Amendment No. 2 would protect churches, giving them top



PASTOR TONY SPELL is supporting Amendment No. 2 by Sen. Beth Mizell, which would insure that churches could never again be closed during a so-called "emergency."

priority and protection. In March 2020, Edwards issued a diktat from the Governor's Mansion that limited gatherings to 50 people or less. He then shrank that number to 10. Pastor Spell refused to shut down his church and was subjected to every guise imaginable to bring state power against him to force him to close his church, including charges for violating the stay-at-home orders.

Mind you, there were businesses that were allowed to stay open that were favorable to Democrat Gov. Edwards, but he wanted the churches closed. Food, liquor, abortions, all could be had but not church, which is guaranteed in the First

Amendment of the Constitution. On May, 13, 2022, the Louisiana Supreme Court upheld Spell's challenge to those charges, ruling that his constitutional rights had been violated. Justice William J. Crain wrote in the majority opinion, "A public health emergency does not relegate the First Amendment to a proposition or allow violations thereof to be judged on a sliding scale of constitutionality. The infringement of the fundamental right

of the free exercise of religion, whether in times of crisis or calm, must always be strictly scrutinized by our courts."

When Pastor Spell sued the long list of public officials who had, according to the Louisiana Supreme Court, violated the pastor's civil rights, the federal courts ruled that churches were no better than a strip club, a liquor store or an abortion clinic, none of which are expressly protected in the Constitution.

Pastor Spell was expressly told by the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Ap-peals that he could be awarded millions of dollars if he would agree with that notion in the case, but he refused, so the 5th Circuit decided against him. His legal team applied for relief to U.S. Supreme Court, to defend the notion that the free exercise of religion in a church is not on the same footing as a strip club or abortion clinic. SCOTUS did not have four of the nine justices desirous of reviewing the case.

Pastor Spell released the following statement in response to the de-

nial of certiorari:

'On May 5, 2023, after being denied the highest order of protection guaranteed the Church through the First Amendment by the U.S. 5th Circuit, we filed our case in the U.S. Supreme Court. After 150 days in the court and being in conference seven days since Sept. 26, 2023, this morning on October 2, 2023, the Court declined to hear the argu-

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Congressman Clay Higgins, Danielle Bunch, and Attorney General Jeff Landry

Central City News Endorses Jeff Landry for Governor

Jeff Landry: A Guardian of Our Liberty



Attorney General Jeff Landry

When Our Liberties Were Under Attack, Jeff Landry Stood Like a Gréat Oak

Woody Jenkins

CENTRAL — In August 2020, when Louisiana Gov. John Bel Edwards was in the midst of his allout assault on the Constitution and common sense, most elected officials were silent. They were afraid to stand up to the governor, the bureaucracy, and the left-wing media.

Only one statewide elected official in Louisiana stood unabashedly for the principles that made America great and supported the Constitution and the rule of law.

That elected official, Attorney General Jeff Landry, was busier than a one-armed paper hanger in

state and federal courts and in the media, demanding that the massive violation of our liberties be halted.

He fought the lock downs, the mask mandates, the vaccine mandates, the school closures, and the forced closure of churches.

He seemed to be everywhere. While others were silent, he refused to hold his tongue, no matter what the governor did or what the bought-and-paid-for media said.

Landry was in state and federal courts all over Louisiana. And not just here in Louisiana! He made alliances with Attorneys General from other states, so they could stand together and challenge things in federal court with greater strength.

Significantly, Gen. Landry began to win. Not just cases at the state level. But federal cases that had national impact. Among other things, he won the case that prohibited the federal government from mandating vaccines nationwide.

Here in Central, Landry's support of Rev. Tony Spell and Life Tabernacle's decision to continue holding church ultimately led to a sweeping decision by the Louisiana Supreme Court on May 13, 2022. That decision said everything Gov. Edwards and his henchmen in the bureaucracy had done to Rev. Spell and the members of Life Tabernacle was illegal and unconstitutional. All criminal charges were dismissed by the Supreme Court.

But there is one part of this story that demands special attention.

Let's go back to August 2020 when Attorney General Jeff Landry was in the middle of all these battles. It was unprecedented, and there was no playbook telling him how to combat this great assault on the Constitution and our liberties. He and his staff had to work long hours and work through legal situations that no Attorney General in any state had ever faced before.

In the midst of all this, a call came in to Landry about a small business that was having a problem. It wasn't from Wal-Mart or Target or any of the giants. The national media didn't know about it. In fact, the local media didn't know much about it either.

The call was from a young woman in Livingston Parish who had just purchased a small café in Watson called Firehouse Barbecue. The young lady was Danielle Bunch. Despite its colorful name, Firehouse Barbecue was just a small restaurant owned by a single mom who had invested her life savings into it. She bought the business in June and it had passed all the health, safety, and fire code inspections late that month.

Now suddenly, the Louisiana Department of Health had placed a notice on her door ordering her to close the business! Why? Well, it seems that several of her employees had health problems that made it dangerous for them to wear masks. Danielle's position was that since the employees couldn't wear masks, it made no sense to try to force customers to wear masks.

Besides, she knew the masks were completely useless!

At that time, Gov. John Bel Edwards was demanding that everyone who entered a restaurant had to have a mask on until they got to their table. Then they could take the masks off! Now that's science!

Danielle refused to go along with this cynical charade, and Edwards' bureaucracy was after her, determined to make an example of her.

They had tried and failed to close Life Tabernacle and put Rev. Tony Spell in jail for more than a couple of hours. But Ms. Bunch was a far easier target. No big church to back her. No First Amendment to protect her. No money to hire big lawyers. The Edwards Administration smelled blood. Maybe they could finally put a scalp on their belt, albeit the scalp of a tiny small business woman. They were determined to close Firehouse Barbecue and put Danielle Bunch in jail! She needed help. Somehow, the attorney general found out.

Now here is what is interesting and is one of the reasons this endorsement is being written.

Jeff Landry didn't call a news conference. He picked up the phone and called Danielle Bunch and asked if he could come have lunch at her place. He invited Congressman Clay Higgins, Rep. Valarie Hodges, and me to come along to show support for Danielle Bunch and her little team at Firehouse Bar-

It was a wonderful lunch, resembling a group of revolutionaries who were there to plan how to rescue one of their own who was under attack. The attorney general gathered the facts as a good lawyer would do and then told Danielle he was onboard and would do everything he could to support her. She had felt completely abandoned. She cried and said thank you. But she must have wondered... Is he for real?

Will he really do anything to help? It turned out that Jeff Landry was true to his word! He filed a friendof-the-court brief letting the district judge handling the case know where the Attorney General's office

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LUNCH AT FIREHORSE BARBECUE just because she Danielle Bunch couldn't be left to face a power-hungry governor and his state government alone! Shown (left to right) are Attorney General Jeff Landry, Danielle Bunch of Firehouse Barbecue, former Rep. Woody Jenkins, Rep. Valarie Hodges, Bunch, Congressman Clay Higgins, and Landry.

Sen. Elbert Guillory Endorsed for Lt. Governor

Elbert Guillory: A Real Life Freedom Fighter

He Went to Jail at 15 for the Right to Sit in the Library And Read a Book

Woody Jenkins

OPELOUSAS — Sen. Elbert Guillory is the first and only black Republican to serve in the Louisiana Senate since Reconstruction, which ended nearly 150 years ago! But he is far more than that.

Guillory is one of the most articulate spokesmen for conservative causes in the United States and one of the best thinkers who can explain why the Constitution, the rule of law, and traditional values are even more important for black people than for whites.

His classic film, Why I Am a Republican, has been viewed more



Why I Am a Republican

than 5 million times. than 5 million times. It lays out the case for black people entering the mainstream of American society, forsaking the false forsaking the false promises of the welfare state, and em-

bracing freedom, free enterprise, and love of country. It can be viewed by going to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n_YQ8560E1w

Besides being an active leader in the Republican Party, Elbert Guillory is a civil rights activist and attorney who has been willing to risk everything to protect the rights of all citizens.

Elbert Guillory didn't start as a champion of civil rights! It all started by accident when he was 15. He simply wanted to be able to go to the parish library and check out some books!

Born in 1944, he grew up in Opelousas in St. Landry Parish, during a time when almost everything was segregated, including his school. In those days, most people, black and white, accepted segrega-tion. "We really didn't know any-thing different," he said.

He remembers going to restaurants, and his family would have to go around back to order food. They couldn't go inside and eat. They had to eat outside or take it home.

Elbert said he didn't think much about it. Then one day when he was five he asked his daddy to take him to get a hamburger. When they got to the restaurant, his dad told him to wait out front. He said, "Watch this!" Then his father, who was very light skinned, walked right in

the front door like the white people did, and soon came out with hamburgers to go!

"It was my first time to think about race," he said.

As a teenager, Elbert loved books.

The parish library in St. Landry Parish was well stocked, but blacks couldn't use it. The library wasn't segregated! Instead, blacks were barred from using it at all!

However, if you were black and in school, you could at least use your school library. If your school library did not have a book, the school library could order it for you from the parish library and a few days later you could pick up the book at your school. The system worked, and he didn't know anything different, Elbert said.

However, when he was 15, there was a problem. Elbert planned to do a lot of reading that summer. However, the school library was closed, so there was no way to get books from the parish library if you were black!

Not thinking it all through, he decided to walk to the parish library and see if he could check out some books directly. He had his parish library card, which he used for ordering books through the

He walked in the front door of the parish library and told the librarian he wanted to check out some books. She told him he could but he would have to go through his school library. He reminded her the school library was closed for the summer.

The librarian was very quick tempered and direct. She told him to get his butt out of the library!

Elbert thought about it for a minute and decided instead to sit down at a table in the library and read

some magazines.
"I sat there, knowing she had called the police on me. I was trembling and scared to death! I can't remember what I was reading. All I was thinking about was being arrested and going to jail. But I wouldn't leave the library like she told me."

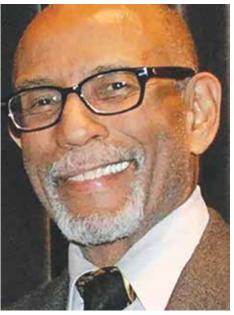
It was his first act of defiance! "Soon the police came, took me downtown, and I was arrested. Then juvenile officers took me

home to my parents," he said. "Libraries are an important part of education, and they were impor-tant to my family."

"The day of the arrest, I was 15. Before the arrest, I was thinking of becoming a doctor. But after the arrest, I mought of only one uning. I

wanted to became a warrior against

injustice. I had to be a lawyer!" Thinking back, Guillory said, "It was only a one-man demonstration at the public library. It wasn't planned. I didn't make the newspa-



Sen. Elbert Guillory Candidate for Lt. Governor

per. There was no public notice and it got no attention whatsoever, but it changed my life. I decided I would never again sit idly by while peo-ples' rights were being violated."

Over the years, I often had others demonstrating with me, and sometimes they were white. Over the years, I got beat up pretty bad. That experience left scars on my body but not on our heart!

It was me against injustice!"
Sen. Guillory is not a bitter man, although he could be, because he has seen so much injustice in his life. Instead, he has turned experiences which could have made him bitter into life lessons he uses to change the world.

Sen. Guillory and his son Elbert Guillory, Jr., are talented filmmakers who inform and inspire their audiences. Millions of people have watched their videos.

In one film, Elbert Sr. tells the story of a black man and his family who were being persecuted by night riders in the 1930's. The men came to his house in the middle of the night to rob, steal, and perhaps

But the black man had been in the U.S. Army during World War I. He had plenty of combat experience

and had planned for just such an attack. He hid his wife and children under furniture and mattresses. The former soldier had several guns. He stationed them around



The Legend

the house and ran from window to window, firing at the angry mob.

"They must have thought they were fighting a small army," he said. Two of the criminals were wounded and the rest fled. With no one to help him, the black man had saved his family and their home!

"Do you see the importance of

the 2nd Amendment to blacks?" Guillory asks his viewers.

Then he revealed that the family in that house was his, that the black man was his father, that it was his brother and sister hovering in that house, and that it all happened a few years before he was born.

Guillory talked about how since the Civil War Democrats have been trying to disarm Americans. If they had their way, only the government and criminals would have guns, he

Watch at https://www.youtube. com/watch?v=XepJouchGWI

Sen. Guillory is unrelenting in his determination to show that the Constitution is for every man and woman, black or white.

He talks about abortion and how most of the babies killed are black. A strong supporter of the right to life, he has been honored by Louisiana Right to Life.

As a civil rights lawyer and a conservative Republican legislator, he explains that conservative principles are the only principles consistent with living in freedom and fulfilling our God-given potential.

His grandfather was a slave who

stayed on the plantation and continued to work for the man who had owned him before emancipation. Eventually, his grandfather bought the land, which is where Elbert and his family still live today.

Elbert Guillory earned his Juris Doctor degree from Rutgers University, where he later served as a member of the faculty.

He has had a very distinguished career in Opelousas and St. Landry:

- 50 years as a practicing attorney, including service as Assistant City Attorney; general counsel for the Magnolia Peace Officers Association, and supervising attorney for Acadiana Legal Services.
- Past President, St. Landry Parish Bar Association
- Past President, St. Landry Chamber of Commerce
- Board of Directors, Washington State Bank • Past President, Opelousas-St.
- Landry Mental Health Editorial board and columnist,
- Opelousas Daily World newspaper
 Board of Directors, New Life

Center for battered wives • Board of Directors, Lafayette Catholic Services

Elbert Guillory's career also led him to governmental service in other states where he held responsible positions. These included:

 Chairman, Maryland Association of Human Rights

• Division Director, Pennsylvania Human Rights Commission

• Executive Director, Seattle Human Rights Commission

During his years as a member of the Louisiana House of Representatives and the Louisiana Senate, Guillory distinguished himself by his conservative voting record.

He received the Louisiana Family Forum Patrick Henry Award, the Louisiana Right to Life Legislative Award, Louisiana State Troopers Legislator of the Year, Lafayette Chamber Legislator of the Year, and many others.

He served four years in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. English is his native tongue but he is conversant in French and German.

The **Central City News** is honored to endorse Elbert Guillory for Lt. Governor in the Oct. 14 election.

Jeff Landry Endorsed for Governor

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stood. He supported her publicly and encouraged her. The governor pushed the case to the max and tried his best to put Danielle in jail.

But Danielle Bunch was represented by attorney Jeff Wittenbrink and backed up by Attorney General Jeff Landry! In the end, she won a total victory! Danielle never had to close Firehouse Barbecue for an even day or spend a minute in jail.

Without fanfare or any personal or political gain, Jeff Landry came

to aid of this courageous American woman who was under attack by her own government.

That's why we know Jeff Landry is for real! He's not just another politician but a man who loves liberty and who will fight for it when the chips are down and the going gets tough. There are a hundred other stories we could tell about Jeff Landry and his tenacious battle for the rights of the people during the pandemic! The story of Danielle Bunch is typical but just one.

Jeff Landry proved he will stand up for the little guy when there's nothing in it for him, even if it means standing up to the whole world!

We like to think that's what this newspaper is all about too, and it is exciting to think Louisiana could have a governor willing to do the same thing!

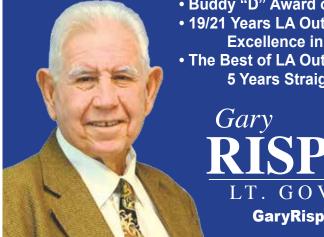
For the Central City News, endorsing a candidate for governor this year is an easy decision. That's why we are proud to endorse Jeff Landry for Governor!

Working to Keep Louisiana a Paradise

I have been promoting Louisiana tourism, heritage, food, people, and resources for over 27 years. If elected, my first goal will be to clean up our state parks and make them more accessible to senior citizens and the physically challenged. I want to promote tourism and clean up our state by removing litter.

Notable Accomplishments and Awards

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Mike Francis Endorsed for Secretary of State

Mike Francis Fighting For Election Integrity

He Stood Up to Governors When It Was Necessary

Woody Jenkins

LAFAYETTE — Mike Francis made a small fortune in the oil patch and got tired of watching corruption in Louisiana politics. With more than 500 employees, he could see how state government was destroying our economy and making it impossible to compete with Texas.

In the 1990's he ran for and was

elected Republican State Chairman to try to bring about change. He strongly supported Mike Foster for Governor in 1995. Gov. Foster ran on a pledge of no new taxes.

So when the new Republican governor called his Republican state chairman asking for support for a major tax increase, Mike Francis gave the governor a big NO! It was something of a shock to the new governor.

Mike Francis said, "We didn't need more taxes and the governor ran on a no-new-taxes platform!

How could I support it?

Gov. Foster didn't take the NO lightly and targeted Francis for defeat. But the Republican chairman turned around and sued the governor on another matter, and he won!

A Republican state chairman suing a Republican governor? Well, it just doesn't happen. But Mike Francis wasn't looking for anything from the governor — except honest, conservative government.

Mike Francis wasn't going after Gov. Foster in particular. He had sued Edwin Edwards when Edwards was governor and won too!

This independent, no nonsense posture is important in our Secretary of State, who must be strong and courageous enough to stand up to any politician, good or bad, who wants to bend the rules.

Five years ago, Mike Francis ran for and was elected to the Louisiana Public Service Commission, where he has fought to protect the consumer and rein in the big utilities. Now he is a candidate for Secretary of State, running on a platform of election integrity.

The Republican Party has endorsed Mike Francis because of the principled and honest stand he has

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LIz Murrill Endorsed for Attorney General

Liz Murrill: The Bad Guys' Worst Nightmare

Woody Jenkins

Editor

BATON ROUGE — Solicitor General Liz Murrill may seem picture perfect as the modern, overachieving woman attorney.

Petite. Beautiful. Articulate. Classy. Always on her best behavior. Someone who moves in the best legal circles. But maybe you're missing a few things!

Yes, she was Editor in Chief of the Louisiana Law Review. Yes, she was Chief Counsel for Gov. Bobby Jindal and General Counsel for the Division of Administration.

Yes, she is Louisiana's first ever Solicitor General, which makes her the state's chief trial attorney. Yes, she not only appears in court on behalf of the state but she also writes the briefs herself.

Yes, she has 30 separate suits pending against the Biden Adminis-

Yes, she has been part of 200 lawsuits before the United States

Supreme Court with a remarkable success ratio. And, yes, she's personally tried 200 civil and criminal cases with a 98 percent success rate.

But that's only part of the story.

Did you know she was kicked out of school in the 9th grade for smoking in the girls' bathroom? Did you also know she had a 1.0

average her freshmen year? She brags, "Goody two shoes, I

was not! More like majoring in delinquency!"
"I was a major under achiever

until the 11th grade when a teacher told me I could write"

"I wasn't openly defiant. Rather, I had a strong commitment to apathy," the solicitor general said.

Her years in the wilderness had an effect.

Attorneys thinking of taking her on really should learn more about Liz Murrill.

The truth is, she can be very hard on you.

If you are a bad guy on the wrong side of the law, she is happy to kick you in the gut, knee you in the face as you fall forward, and then clobber on the back of the neck on your way down.

Not literally of course but figura-

tively!

Moreover, she could at any moment revert to her days on the fringe of delinquency when she could cuss you like a sailor if need be. Not that we've heard any such, but we are pretty sure.



Liz Murrill Attorney General

The bottom line is, don't trifle with this woman! You might be very sorry.

But can she actually get things done? Well, let's see...

She fought Gov. John Bel Edwards' executive order on gender identity and won.

She fought the Biden's federal vaccine mandates and won - nationwide — and stopped the firing of hundreds of thousands of workers who refused to take the vaccine. She fought the persecution by prosecution of Rev. Tony Spell and

helped his attorneys win. She's fought attacks on the 2nd Amendment and won.

Fought on immigration and reap-

portionment and won.

She fought to protect free speech and the free exercise of religion and

She's also a mom with four sons who has been married 30 years.

She says, "I believe in Faith, Family, Freedom, and the 2nd Amendment."

Now she's running for Attorney General.

Her campaign materials say, "As Louisiana's Solicitor General, I've built a strong record and reputation for fighting for the unborn, protecting Louisiana's oil and gas jobs, standing up for our constitutional rights, and defending our state from federal overreach. My pledge: To protect life, liberty, and Louisiana's future wherever they may be threat-

People like the Republican Party and Sen. John Kennedy are supporting her. And so are we!

The Central City News is proud to endorse Liz Murrill for Attorney General in the election on Oct. 14.

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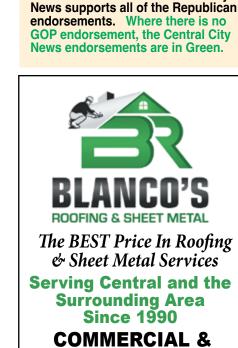


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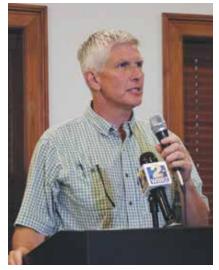
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ChamberEBR Discusses Blue Cross With Attorney Henry "Tut" Kinney









ATTORNEY STEVE WHITLOW (left) candidate for House District 65. Attorney Henry "Tut" Kinney (center) maps out concerns to watch for in the coming months in regards to the proposed sale of Blue Cross of Louisiana to a for-profit company. Rep. Rick Edmonds (right) candidate for Senate District 6 to replace retiring Sen. Bodi White of Central.







CENTRAL'S GARY RISPONE (left) is a candidate for lieutenant governor. Metro Council member Laurie White Adams (left/center) is running for the legislature from House District 68. Businessman Richie Edmonds (right), a candidate for House District 66, discusses his ad in the St. George Leader newspaper.











MONIQUE APPEANING (left), a long-time Republican, is a candidate for House District 66. Ron Skains (left/center) poses a question to Tut Kinney. Legislative staff attorney Carla Roberts (center) asks questions about Group Benefits. Carl Benedict (right/center) and ChamberEBR chairman Cecil Cavanaugh (right) giving their thoughts on the Blue Cross deal.

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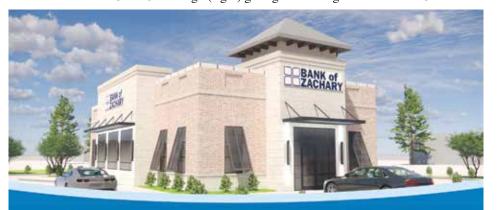
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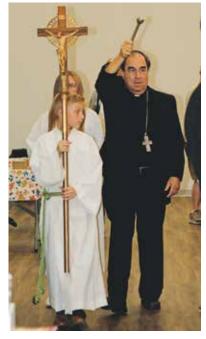
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St. Alphonsus' New Activity Center







BISHOP MICHAEL DUCA (left) blesses the new St. Alphonsus Parish Activity Center, a 12,000 square foot multi-purpose facility that includes a 4,400 square foot pavilion. Father Michael Moroney and Bishop Michael Duca (right) entering the large conference hall that has been named Emmanuel Hall.

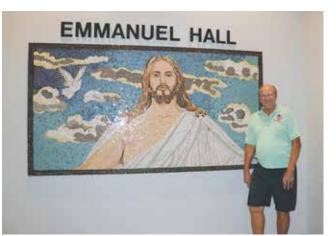






ST. ALPHONSUS PARISHIONERS CAME OUT to celebrate the dedication of the new activity center. Attendees enjoyed good food, toured the facility, and received a special blessing by Bishop Michael Duca. St. Alphonsus was founded in 1898. It is located at the corner of Greenwell Springs and Frenchtown roads in the City of Central.







THE LOBBY ENTRANCE DECORATED FOR FALL provides a beautiful entryway. Ed Palubinskas (center) donated a mosaic of Jesus, Emmanuel (or God with us). At right, JoAnn Stein thanked the many people who made the new building possible.









THE NEW ACTIVITY CENTER has several meeting rooms. One is set up as a nursery (left). The covered pavilion has a cross leading to the open area with engraved fundraising bricks (left/center). The kitchen (right/center and right) was named the Mother Teresa Kitchen. Central Mayor Wade Evans (below left) was on hand for the festivities.







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The images below illustrate 1) A staff that I consider second to none and 2) The home screen to Clerk Connect, the gateway to e-filing, e-recording and the research of holdings dating to the earliest days of our parish. I would appreciate the opportunity to continue to bring you the quality public service that you deserve and the privilege of your vote during this election season.

Doug Welborn





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ELECTION DAY • Saturday, Oct. 14, 2023

Early Voting: Saturday, September 30 - Saturday, October 7 (except Sunday)

LOCATIONS — City Hall downtown • State Archives on Essen Lane • ROV Office at Coursey Fire Station • ROV Office in OMV Building in Baker • Central Library





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- As our next Governor, Jeff will reverse the policies which release criminals back into our neighborhoods.

★ GROWING OUR ECONOMY

- As a Parish Economic Development Director, and as a small business owner, Jeff helped create hundreds of jobs for Louisianans.
- Our state deserves a great economy. As Governor, Jeff will cut red tape harming our job creators.

★ IMPROVING EDUCATION

- A father and son of a schoolteacher, Jeff believes every kid deserves a great education.
- We must protect kids from harm, Jeff knows that includes ending woke politics in the classroom.

VOTE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14TH

Early Voting Dates 9/30-10/7

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2023 Central High Homecoming



CHS Princess Angel Scott and Coach Joey Jarreau



Senior Kate Hill and father Cory Hill



Central High School 2023 Homecoming Queen Kaylen Dillard with her parents Kendle Davis and Jerry Dillard

2023 Central High School **Homecoming Court**



Central High School Homecoming Princess Miss Angel Scott and Homecoming Prince Mr. Keagan Chenier





Senior Kaylynn Knippers and father Kevin Knippers



Senior Riley Duncan

and grandfather Ronnie Whiddon



Junior Madilyn Birch and father Brian Birch



Junior Kaitlyn Moulin

Meet the Members of 2023 Central High Homecoming Court

of the Homecoming Court. She is Central Sophomore on the Central High Varsity Cheer Team and the student council. She is involved at St. Alphonsus Church. Charlee was escorted by her father, Justin Jackson.

Junior Parker Allen

Central Freshman Miss Caley Griffin is a first-year member of the Homecoming Court and a member of the Lady Wildcat Soccer team and Student Council. Caley is also a 4H Leadership Board member and plays club soccer. She is a member of Comite Baptist Church. Caley was escorted by her father, Merrick McKenney.

Central Sophomore Miss Da'Kylah Green is a first-year member of the court. Da'Kylah spends much of her time volunteering and doing community outreach with the Woodlake Addiction Recovery Center, Care Center of Baton Rouge, and Meals on

Lucy Patterson is a secondyear member of the Homecoming Court and is a member of the Varsity Cheer Team, Student Council, and Beta club. Lucy maintains a 4.0 GPA while also volunteering in the community and coaching at Central Community Athletics. She represented USA on the junior all-girl cheer team this year. Lucy was escorted by her father, Casey Patterson.

Central Sophomore Miss Camille Jackson is a sophomore and a first-year member of the court. Camille is a 4.0 student and a member of the Varsity Cheer Team, Student Council, and Beta club. She is a member of St. Alphonsus Catholic Church and loves her job at TumbleCats. She was escorted her father Justin Jackson.

Central Junior Miss Parker

Central Freshman Miss Char- Wheels. She was escorted by her Allen is a first -year member of corted by her father, Brian Birch. lee Jackson is a first-year member of the Homecoming Court. She is of the Homecoming Court. She is of the Homecoming Court. She is of the Homecoming Court and plays an active part of the Talented Mu-Moulin is a first-year member sic & Theatre program at Central High. She is also Mu Alpha Theta vice president and a member of Beta, FCA, and Student Council. She is often in the press box on Game Days as part of the production team, and she still finds time to maintain a 4.3 GPA. She enjoys serving at Cornerstone Fellowship. Parker was escorted by her father, Trent Allen.

Central Junior Miss Madilyn Birch is a first-year member of the Homecoming Court and is a thirdyear member of the Varsity Cheer Team where she serves as the junior leader. Madilyn is also a coach at Central Community Athletics where she gets to share her love of cheer with younger athletes. She is a member of the Beta club and has maintained a 4.3 GPA over the last three years. Madilyn was es-

of the Homecoming Court and a member of the Varsity Cheer Team and the fishing team. Prior to cheering, she was a two-year member of the Central High gymnastics team. Kaitlyn is a Beta member and an honors student with a 4.3 GPA. She is an active member at Zoar Baptist Church. Kaitlyn was escorted by her father, Lance Moulin.

Central Junior Miss Kierra **Taylor** is a third-year member of Homecoming Court. She is a two- year member of the Varsity Cheer Team and a member of Student Council and Beta Club. She has a 4.47 GPA. She enjoys staying involved in the community by helping with food and toy drives. Kierra was escorted by her father, Kevin Taylor.

See HOMECOMING on Page 18

Homecoming Queen Kaylen Dillard



Junior Kierra Taylor and father Kevin Taylor

Sophomore Camille Jackson

and father Justin Jackson



Sophomore Da'Kylah Green and stepfather Surface Dural



Freshman Charlee Jackson and father Justin Jackson



Central High School 2023 Homecoming Queen Kaylen Dillard with Central High Principal Brandon LaGroue



Freshman Caley Griffin and father Merrick McKenney







Kittens and Silks line up honoring the Homecoming Court (left and right). Central High Homecoming Prince Keagan Chenier (center) with his mom Angela Chenier.

Meet the Members of 2023 Central High Homecoming Court

Continued from Page 17

Central Senior Miss Angel Duane Debetaz. **Scott** is this year's Homecoming home; cooking, and being with her teachers and friends at school. She was escorted by one of her favorite people in the world Central High football coach Joey Jarreau.

Central Senior Miss Jayden **Debetaz** is a first-year member of the Homecoming Court and is captain of the Central High Kittens dance team. She is a member of Mu Alpha Theta, Beta, FCA, and the Student Council Executive Board. She is a member of Journey Church and also attends youth at First Baptist of Denham Springs.

Princess. She enjoys spending time len Dillard is the only four-year with her family; volunteering her member of the court. Kaylen is time at the food bank and retirement Student Council President, Mu Alpha Theta Secretary, and Beta Club historian. She has an impressive 4.67 GPA. Kaylen is also a four-year member of the volleyball team and a two-year member of the soccer team. She was escorted by her father, Jerry Dillard.

Central Senior Miss Riley **Duncan** is a first-year member of the court. She is co-captain of the Varsity Cheer Team, Student Council Treasurer, and a member of the Beta Club, National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, and Talented Theatre. She also performs

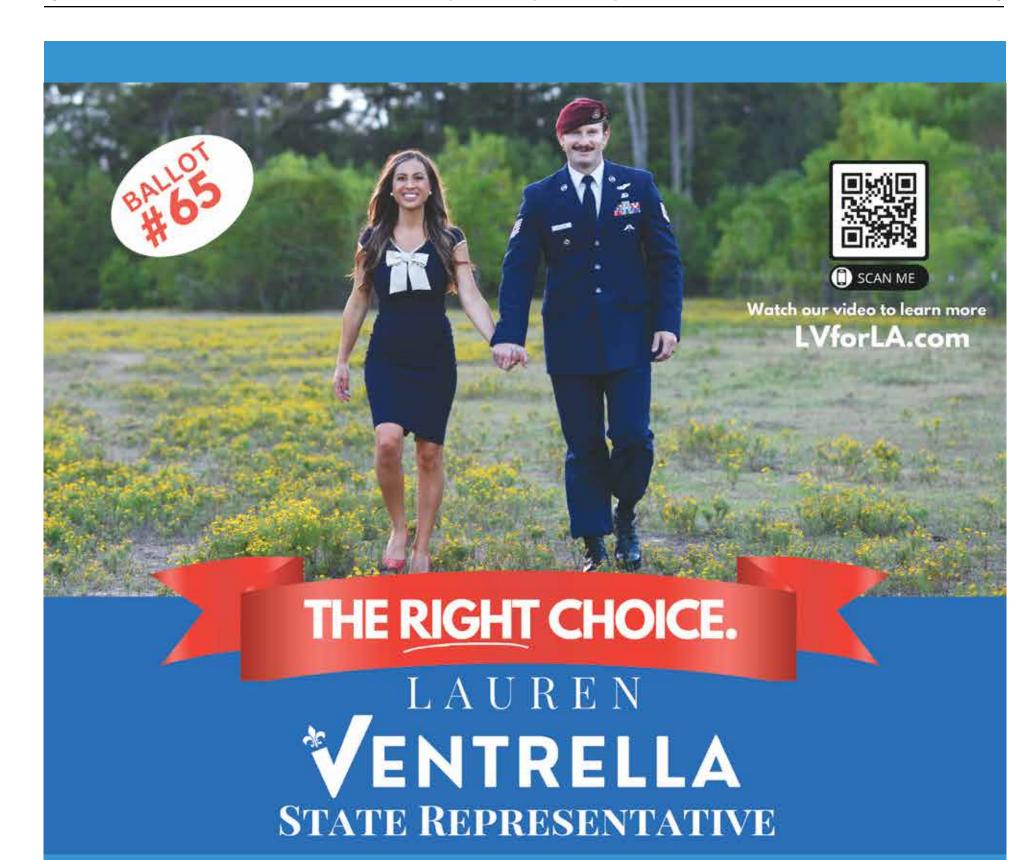
uane Debetaz. and loves spending time with her the Beta Club, Mu Alpha Theta, pet bunny, Honey Bun Bun. She and National Honor Society. She was escorted by her grandfather. Ronnie Whiddon.

Central Senior Miss Kate Hill is a first-time member of the Homecoming Court. Kate is a four-year member of the soccer team and this year's team captain. She is also a member of the cross country and track teams, Beta Club, National Honor Society, and the Student Council Executive Board. Kate was escorted by her father Cory Hill.

Central Senior Miss Kaylynn Knippers is a first-year member of court. She is the captain of the Varsity Cheer Team, Community Relations representative in Stu-

Jayden was escorted by her father, with Central Community Theatre dent Council, and a member of can be found on stage with both Central High talented music and theatre and Central Community Theatre. Kaylynn was escorted by her dad, Kevin Knippers.

Central Senior Miss Audrey Usher is a first-year court member, Audrey is an honor student with a 4.6 GPA. She is the Beta Club president, Student Council digital media coordinator, and a member of the National Honor Society and talented art and theatre. This year, she will also serve as the student director for Central Middle's talented theater program. Audrey was escorted by her father,



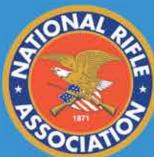
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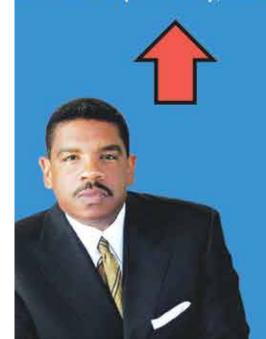








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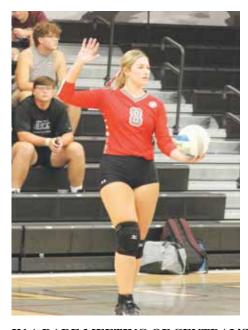


Wildcats Sweep Redhawks 3-0

2023 Central Private Varsity Volleyball Schedule

Oct 7 Tourney @ St. Michael
Oct 9 Southern Lab* A
Oct 11 Slaughter Charter* A
Oct 16 Northeast* H
Oct 18 False River* A
Oct 23 Episcopal H
Oct 25 Catholic PC* H

Head Coach: Tom Szekely Principal: Dana Russell





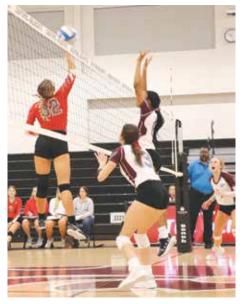
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Oct 5 Denham Springs A
Oct 9 Dunham H
Oct 10 Woodlawn* A
Oct 12 BR High* H
Oct 17 Zachary* H
Oct 19 Scotlandville* A
Oct 23 CHSPC* (Senior Night) H
Oct 24 St. Joseph's* H

Head Coach: Michele LeBouef Principal: Brandon LaGroue



IN A RARE MEETING OF CENTRAL'S TWO HIGH SCHOOLS, Central High defeated Central Private in the best three out of five games. The final scores were Game One Central High 25 • Central Private 20, Game Two Central High 25 • Central Private 16, and Game Three Central High 25 • Central Private 22. Shown (left to right) are Redhawks #8 Addyson Sides. Central's #6 Anyla Jones and #1 Annie Talbot. Blocking for the Redhawks was #9 Kaylee Sharpe. Wildcats #21 Maggie Tullier and #10 Ella Saccaro were ready..





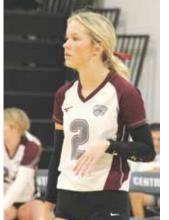


CENTRAL PRIVATE AND CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL will soon begin their district schedules. See the schedules above and support your favorite Central team! Central Pri vate's #32 (left) goes up to tip the ball over Central's #6 Anyla Jones. The Wildcats celebrate a good play (center). Central's #1 Annie Talbot tips the ball (right).







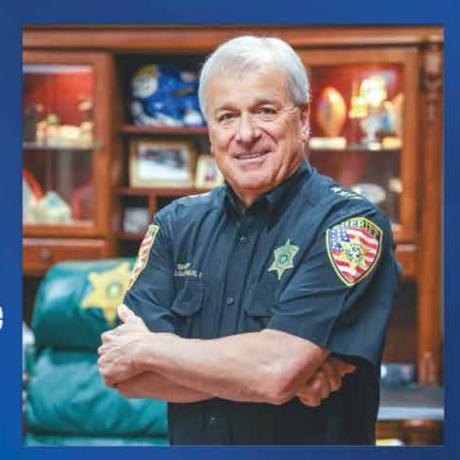




REDHAWKS #27 IVA MARTEL (left) between plays. Central Private's #17 Sarah Magliolo (left/center). Both teams played well and congratulated each other (center). Shown at right are Central's #2 Lexie Guercio and #6 Anyla Jones.



Together, we have accomplished so much, but there is much left to do. I humbly ask for your continued support as your East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff.



Sid J. Gautreaux, III

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Central Private Homecoming Court



Senior Emerson Aucoin and her father, Troy Aucoin



Senior Anna Claire Gremillion and her father, Travis Gomez



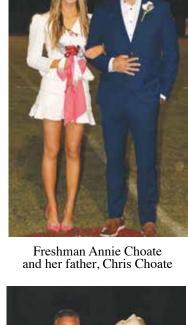
Central Private 2023 Homecoming Queen Senior Grey Schaeffer and her father, Brad Schaeffer.

Central Private Homecoming Court Sept. 22, 2023





Junior Ava Buxton and her father, Darran Buxton





Freshman London Simmons and her father, Trez Simmons



Senior Jaycee Richard and her father, Harold Richard



Junior Iva Martel and her father, Scott Martel



Sophomore Anna Santangelo her and father, Devin Knapps



Sophomore Rainey Price and her father, Marc Shaidaee



Homecoming Queen Grey Schaeffer is a varsity cheerleader. Here she poses for the camera with other members of the cheer team.



Homecoming Queen Grey Schaeffer and her friends were excited about her being crowned Homecoming Queen.

Central Private Falls to Northeast







CENTRAL PRIVATE FACES OFF WITH NORTHEAST for Homecoming. The game was close, and Northeast narrowly on 20-16. At left, Northeast's #26 Jerome Sampson breaks through for a touchdown. At right, Central Private's #4 Hunter Pourciau runs up the middle gaining yardage for the Redhawks.







CENTRAL PRIVATE'S #11 JACOB WEAVER (left) gains yardage for the Redhawks. At center, #13 Wyatt Johnson after his interception and touchdown. He is shown with #33 Houston Hunt and #57 Christian Corsentino. Central Private's #9 Aiden Pomerieau (right) races down the field for the Redhawks assisted by #5 Luke Browning.







NORTHEAST VIKING'S #26 (left) with a host of Redhawks after him. Redhawks #77 Gage Guillory (center) takes down the Vikings #26 Jerome Sampson. Central Private's #4 Hunter Pourciau (right) with the carry for the Redhawks.





WATCH CENTRAL PRIVATE VS NORTHEAST



EXECUTIVE PRODUCER SHARON BUSH

BY KEN BUSH

CENTRAL PRIVATE #4 HUNTER POURCIAU (left and center) goes up the middle for a gain.









VOICE OF THE REDHAWKS KEN BUSH (left) and his wife and executive producer Sharon Bush. The Redhawks dance team and cheerleaders (center) keep the fans entertained. At right, Central Private head coach Cole Holden. Central Private hosts Southern Lab Friday night in an important district match.

Istrouma High Class of 1966 Reunion













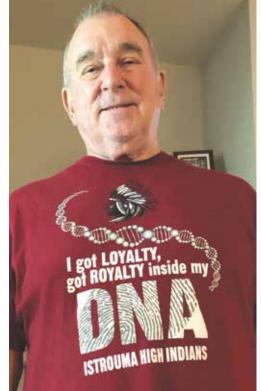












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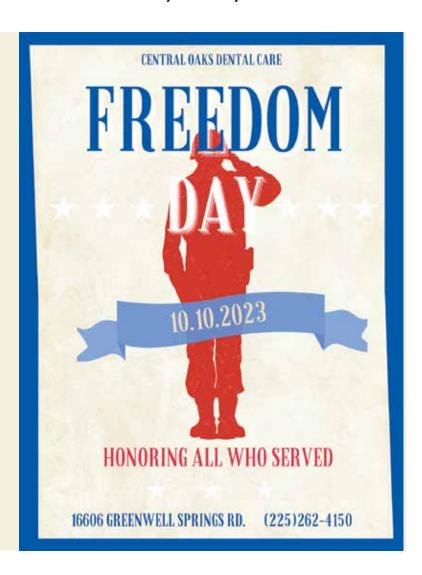


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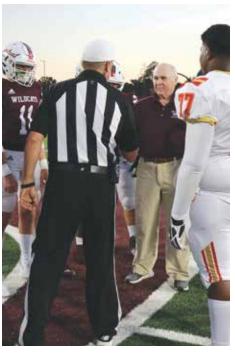
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CENTRAL'S #12 DALTON RUFFINI (left) was named Offensive Player of the Week. #2 Kaeden Loupe (center) makes his way towards the goal line but is stopped short of the touchdown. Sen. Bodi White (right) served as an honorary captain and flipped the coin before the game.







WILDCAT #90 CONNOR SCOTT (left) just after he recovered a fumble. #12 Dalton Ruffini (right) goes in for a Wildcat touchdown. Central's kicker #41 Nathan Zimmer (right) and #17 Cody Paddie who was named Scout Team Player of the Week on September 28.







WILDCAT DEFENSIVE PLAYERS (left) #98 Devin Reed, #63 Braden Cowan, #2 Kaeden Loupe, #91 Alexander Stewart, #26 Keith Williams, and #90 Connor Scott. The cheer team's big brothers run the flags after another Wildcat TD (center). #5 Emmanuel Williams (right) in the end zone after scoring for the Wildcats.





WILDCAT DEFENSE (left) sacks the Lions quarterback. At right, Central High alumni who now work in the Central Community School System were honored at the game.







Dr. John Fleming Endorsed for State Treasurer

Dr. John Fleming: Right Man in Charge of Money

Freedom Caucus Founder Brings A Lot to Louisiana State Government

Woody Jenkins

Edito

MINDEN — Dr. John Fleming is a man for all seasons. He could do anything he wants. Fortunately for us in Louisiana, he has devoted himself in recent years to public service. Dr. Flemng says, "I'm a family physician by trade." In Minden, he is much beloved as the family doctor who has given so much of himself to save lives and make life better. He is board certified and a member of the American Academy of Family Physicians, which named him the Outstanding Family Physician of the Year in Louisiana.

However, Dr. Fleming is also a military man, having served as a family physician in the U.S. Navy. Among other things, he was Chief Resident in Family Medicine at Camp Pendleton in California, one of the largest Marine Corps bases in the United States.

In business, Dr. Fleming has been a massive success. He started in the Subway business in the 1980's and today owns 35 Subway stores. He

is also the master franchisee for 182 UPS stores in Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas

His experience in medicine, the military, and business helped him see the country was going to hell and that he needed to get involved in government. In 2008, he ran for and was elected to the United States Congress, where he immediately became one of the most principled and effective conservative leaders.

and effective conservative leaders. It was Dr. Fleming's idea to form the Freedom Caucus in the House, and he was one of the nine founding members. Today, the Freedom Caucus is one of the most important vehicles for promoting the conservative agenda in Congress.

After President Trump was elect-

After President Trump was elected, he asked Dr. Fleming to join his administration. After serving as Assistant Secretary of Commercel, he was named by President Trump to serve as his Deputy Chief of State in the White House in March 2020.

Dr. Fleming's office was just a few steps from the President. He had the President's ear on many issues. His presence so near the Oval Office was important in combating the influence of Dr. Fauci.

Today, Dr. John Fleming is a candidate for State Treasurer. He intends to use this position to fight the digital currency and keep banks from handling state money if they pursue Woke policies, He is strongly supported by the Republican Party and by the **Central City News.**

Republican Party of EBR Parish Has Endorsed These Candidates



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McKanstry Top 10 National Finalist Headed to BMES Conference



Micah McKanstry McKanstry Preparatory School

CENTRAL — M c K a n s t r y Preparatory School on Greenwell Springs Road is proud to announce that Micah McKanstry, a 12th grade student at the school, has been named a national finalist to present a research paper at the Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) annual conference in Seattle, Washington.

Micah's research, which he conducted through the LSU High School Summer Research Program, is an ambitious research project focusing on the expression of genes from the human left heart ventricle.

Using Weighted Gene Co-Network Analysis (WGCNA), he explored the functional aspects of these genes in biological systems. His research has the potential to advance our understanding of cardiovascular health and has far-reaching implications for the future

The school said, "What sets Micah apart is not only his passion for Bioengineering, but also his extraordinary work ethic. He is currently a Southern University Dual Enrollment student and has taken classes at Harvard University. He has nearly 40 college credit hours."

"Micah's journey is a source of immense pride for our school, and we believe his accomplishments deserve recognition. He is a young scholar whose work could likely shape the future of biomedical engineering in the fu-

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Pastor Spell Calls for Passage of Amendment No. 2

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ments of our case. This is unheard of that the purest religious jurisdictional case in America's history has been rejected by the most conservative court our nation has ever had. This is not a loss for our Church, this is a loss for our country, but still a proud day for us.

"Thank God for Chief Justice Roy Moore who called and spoke to us in the Church immediately after the first arrest. Thank God that after three and a half years (42 months and two days) from that day, Jeff Wittenbrink, Roy Moore, Woody Jenkins and a host of others have stood their ground, their feet have

"The 5th Circuit may feel they

held their steps and have not gone



PASTOR TONY SPELL being interviewed by WAFB-TV in his office on his Supreme Court case and the importance of Amendment No. 2 on the ballot statewide Oct. 14.

have had the last word with 'we insisted on taking a loss,' BUT, we know better. God always has the last word as the 'judge of all the earth.'

"Hebrews Chapter 11 is the faith chapter of the Bible; it rehearses the stories of the many heroes of faith who obtained great victories. However, the other side of faith is represented today where it may look like a loss, but really, we obtain a better resurrection.

"Hebrews 11:35 Women received their dead raised to life again: and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection.

"Numbers 23:9 For from the top of the rocks I see him, and from the hills I behold him: lo, the people shall dwell alone, and shall not be reckoned among the nations.

"Today, God, in His sovereignty, has decided another course of victory."

Get out and vote for Constitutional Amendment No. 2 this week in early voting or in your absentee ballot or in person on October 14. Make your own pronouncement about the supremacy of churches.

— Connie Hair

Mike Francis

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- Work closely with clerks of court and registrars of voters
- Make sure every election is honest.

Mike Francis is a staunch conservative who is pro-life, pro-traditional family, and pro-gun.

The Central City News is proud to endorse Mike Francis for Secretary of State on Oct. 14.



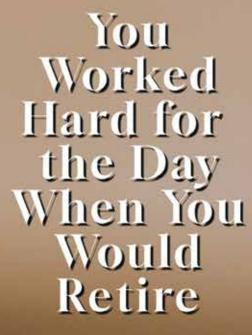
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Central Wildcats

Sept. 1	De La Salle	27-20 L
Sept. 8	West Feliciana	41-6 W
Sept. 15	Slidell High	42-0 W
Sept. 21	East Jefferson	67-0 W
Sept. 29	Capitol High	53-0 W
Oct. 6	Scotlandville High*	Away
Oct. 13	Catholic High*	Home
Oct. 20	Zachary High*	Away
Oct. 27	Woodlawn High*	Home
Nov. 3	Liberty Magnet*	Home





Central Private Redhawks

Aug. 31 Sept. 8 Sept. 15 Sept. 22 Sept. 29 Oct. 6 Oct. 13 Oct. 19 Oct. 27	Central Catholic St. John High Gueydan High Northeast High Springfield High Southern Lab* Slaughter Charter* Thrive Academy* Ascension Christian*	41-6 L 46-0 L 44-0 W 20-16 L 52-14 L Home Away Away Home
Oct. 27 Nov. 3		Home Away

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Istrouma Indians

Sept. 1	Capitol High	43-6 W
Sept. 8	Belaire High*	33-13 W
Sept. 15	Broadmoor High*	40-0 W
Sept. 22	Plaquemine High*	20-15 L
Sept. 29	West Feliciana*	33-29 L
Oct. 5	McKinley High*	Away
Oct. 13	Tara High*	Home
Oct. 20	Bonnabel High	Away
Oct. 26	St. Michael High*	Away
Nov. 5	Brusly High*	Home
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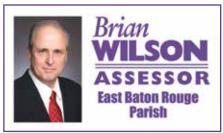
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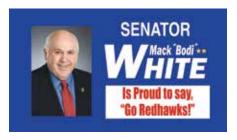
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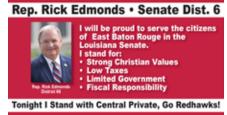
















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