

'Cajun Hell' documentary in post production, screening in VP planned

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"Cajun Hell" is the product of San Francisco's Eric Dunn, who heard of the Ville Platte 90s punk rock band Mystic Fix several years

ago. Dunn, who has worked as a music video director, embarked on the journey of making his first film when he heard about the tragic death of Mystic Fix's Criss Drunk. At www.cajunhell.com, the film is summed up as "a look back on the life and tragic death of struggling and influential musician Criss Drunk and his refusal to leave Louisiana's Cajun Country for a better shot at success in a more populated and open-minded area of the country. The film follows Drunk's story as he chases his dreams despite constant obstacles, jump-starts the Louisiana punk scene, and influencing many peers along the way to pick up instruments and start

playing music." A trailer for the film can also be viewed at the website. (*Warning: The trailer contains some foul language.*) Dunn said a test screening was held July 11, at McNeese State University and he is currently editing the film. He hopes to do more shooting if he can

get the funds together. The film, which began shooting in November 2009, contains many interviews with Ville Platte residents who fondly remember Mystic Fix or were part of the group. In addition, the film also focuses on life in Cajun country and the difficulty the punk rock band faced in trying to make a name for themselves. "It was a great experience filming in Ville Platte," Dunn said. "The people have been really hospitable and it's been really fun." Dunn hopes to enter the film in several festivals and plans a screening in Ville Platte once it is completed.

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of you in this campaign. We have other accomplishments too numerous to mention. I intend to send out a couple of letters before the race to inform all of you how we spent our money. My health and family circumstances did not allow this to be done in the past, unfortunately.

has done a better job. It will be a simple election since both of us have a record to go by.

"I hope to complete the hard-surfacing projects and reduce taxes in 2013 by eliminating the two-percent sales tax we all pay. These are my main reasons for seeking re-election.

Recent raffle winner named

Safe Harbor Christian Outreach Center announced Linda Johnson was the winner of the \$25 gift certificate from T-Boys Slaughterhouse.

"We would like to thank everyone that helped with selling tickets and those who bought the tickets. We would like to thank these businesses for helping use out: T-Boys, Jim Tatman, Deshotel Drugs, Reeds Pharmacy, Marilyn Brignet and Nurse Personnel. Sorry if I missed any other businesses. Pastor Dillard Duplechain is very grateful to everyone who helped. God bless all of you."

Wine tasting fund raiser scheduled

The Evangeline Uncorked Wine Tasting Evening has been scheduled for August 5, to benefit Dreams Come True of Acadiana, a non-profit organization providing dreams to Louisiana children with life-threatening illnesses.

The wine tasting event will be held at La Vieille Banque at the corner of Main Street and N.W. Railroad in Ville Platte from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The cost will be \$25 per person and a bottle of wine. Early registration will cost \$20 and forms can be picked up at the Evangeline Bank and Trust Company in Ville Platte (see Lisa Duplechain).

Teams will consist of two to three members and each will bring a bottle of the same kind of wine. Teams will register with team names

and the name of the team's wine at the door. Wines will be labeled for sampling. Each participant will be able to vote on their favorite

wine. The "best" tasting wine's team will receive a prize.

Light music and food will be served.

Day of remembrance held in St. Martinville

The Acadian Memorial in St. Martinville observed a "Day of Remembrance" July 28, marking the seventh anniversary of the signing of an official apology by Queen Elizabeth of England for the exile of Acadians from eastern Canada starting in 1755.

The remembrance included a Catholic mass in French, followed by a candle light procession to the memorial's Deportation Cross, based on the original cross in Canada.

tures audio interpretations of the forced exile from Canada, which lasted for 30 years. A wall size mural depicts the forced exile from Canada. Descendants of the actual refugees modeled as the refugees when the mural was painted. Visitors can hear a French or English audio interpretation of the exile.

The memorial, built in 1990, also has a "wall of names" of the 3,000 people who were exiled from Canada and settled in south Louisiana.

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•Jacob Lerner Jack, 19, Mamou, was convicted of misdemeanor carnal knowledge of a juvenile and flight from an officer and received a sentence of six months in the parish jail.

•Tyler Jay Blanchard, 18, Mamou, was convicted of second-degree battery and received a sentence of one year at hard labor.

•Thomas David, 45, Eunice, was convicted of simple battery and received a sentence of six months in the parish jail, suspended, and the defendant was placed on probation.

•Marty Ranzes Attle, 21, Ville Platte, was convicted of introducing contraband into or upon the grounds of any state facility and received one year at hard labor. He was also convicted of possession of Schedule I controlled dangerous substance (marijuana) and received a sentence

•Robert Shermain Gallow, 35, Ville Platte, was convicted of simple burglary and simple criminal damage to property under \$500 and received a sentence of eight years at hard labor.

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more than the month before, according to commission auditor Winston Ardoin.

errors occur when residents of incorporated areas of the parish are incorrectly placed in rural areas, for example.

He said that since incorporating in 2003, Pine Prairie Energy has paid \$9.5 million in taxes compared to the \$5 million the company estimated it would pay in taxes by now. Ardoin reported that \$1.2 million of the \$9.5 million was assessed as penalties and interest for unpaid taxes.

Although there are "a tremendous amount of errors," in determining where the taxes should go, "It's not as bad as it once was," Ardoin said.

He said he used to inform the state of needed corrections to the state's tax deposits but that the state corrected a small percentage of deposits. "I was just wasting my time," he said.

Ardoin reported to the commission that he is continuing to correct a problem involving motor vehicle taxes which are correctly being collected, but are being deposited into the wrong accounts.

Ardoin said he has used parish fire and police department resources, as well as voter registration lists, to develop a computerized database connecting addresses with tax jurisdictions. He said car dealers and others have relied on to pay taxes to the correct rural or municipal jurisdictions.

He said the problem originates with a computer program used by the Louisiana Office of Motor Vehicles to determine residency. The

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Dr. Latiolais earned her B.S. in Biological Sciences, graduating Summa Cum Laude from Louisiana State University, and earned her M.D. from the Louisiana State University School of Medicine in New Orleans. She performed her Pediatric Residency at the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center/Children's Hospital in New Orleans.

She is a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics and is certified in PALS, NRP, BLS and ACLS. She is licensed to practice in the state of Louisiana.

In her new practice, Dr. Latiolais will treat a broad range of diseases of childhood as well as providing immunizations for children and adolescents.

Dr. Latiolais will reside in Ville Platte.

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