Convenience store armed robber caught on surveillance camera

By Sherry Konanes

A Shreveport man has been arrested in connection with the recent armed robbery of a Convenience Connection store in Webster Parish.

Wesley George, 34, was booked into the Webster Parish Jail on Wednesday after sheriff's deputies said he stole $308 from the store's cash register.

According to Carthage Assistant Chief of Police Jim Vaillancourt, the robbery occurred around 1 a.m. Monday. Several people working at the store at the time heard a noise and saw a man back out of a dark alley behind the store.

Vaillancourt said the suspect then entered the store through the front door, approached the cash register and pulled a handgun before demanding money from the store's cash register.

According to Vaillancourt, the suspect then fled the scene.

Before leaving, the suspect pointed a handgun at a produce manager and demanded money from the register.

The manager complied and gave the suspect money from the register.

Vaillancourt said the suspect then fled the scene.

Based on the identification, a warrant was issued and Shreveport police, along with the Webster Parish Sheriff's Office, went to a home in the Carrolton Parish, where the suspect was arrested.

Ronald, who operates the store, continued to review the surveillance camera footage to help police solve the case.

Local sales tax hike begins Oct. 1

By Rori Parnell

This PARISH WATCHMAN

Local leaders have agreed to raise sales taxes in the parish at the beginning of next month.

The increase was supported by the Louisiana Board of Equalization, which approved the tax increase.

The new tax rate will take effect Oct. 1, and will remain in effect through the end of the year.

Loblolly students receive grant

By Rori Parnell

This PARISH WATCHMAN

A $15,000 grant has been awarded to Loblolly students to support educational programs.

The grant will be used to support the students' educational efforts.

The grant was awarded to the students through the Loblolly Foundation.

Retired history teacher compiling veterans book

By Rori Parnell

This PARISH WATCHMAN

A retired history teacher is compiling a book about veterans.

The book will be published in the near future and will be available for purchase.

The teacher has been working on the project for several years and has interviewed many veterans to gather information.

The book is expected to be released soon and will be available at local bookstores.

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Purple paint marks warn trespassers

A new law was recently enacted in Texas which requires motorists to stop and inform the police when they notice a paint mark on a driveway. The paint is applied to the driveway of a home where a crime has been committed. When a resident of a home where a crime has been committed discovers a paint mark on the driveway, they are required to call the police and inform them of the mark. The police will then investigate the matter and take appropriate action.

The law also requires motorists to slow down and observe the mark on the driveway when they pass by. Failure to observe the mark will result in a ticket and a fine.

Red Ribbon campaign set for Oct.

The annual Red Ribbon Campaign, which is held to raise awareness of the dangers of drug abuse, will be held in October. The campaign will be held in conjunction with the 20th anniversary of the Ronald Reagan Drug Abuse Office.

The campaign will include a variety of activities, including educational programs for students, community events, and a day of prayer. The campaign will be held in the United States and will be attended by thousands of people.

The Ronald Reagan Drug Abuse Office was established in 1986 to combat drug abuse. The office has been successful in raising awareness of the dangers of drug abuse and in helping to reduce the number of people who use drugs.

For more information, please visit the Ronald Reagan Drug Abuse Office website or call 1-800-656-6363.

CHS choir students make all-region

CHS choir students have been selected to perform in the all-region choir. The students will perform at a concert in December.

The all-region choir is a group of the best singers from the region. The students who were selected will perform in the concert and will represent their school with pride.

For more information, please contact the CHS choir director.

Food Service Week

September 22 - 26, 1997

We would like to take this opportunity to recognize the ladies who work tirelessly for residents and staff of Briarchiff Health Center of Carthage. Their loyalty and dedication is surpassed by none.

* Felicia Taylor * Rowena Garrett * Bridgette Greco * Josephine Rayson * Linda Robinson * Linda Burrough * Julia Castleberry * Ross Tilla, Dietary Supervisor

THANKS
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House Transportation Committee passes bill

The House Transportation Committee has passed a bill that would allow the state to borrow up to $1 billion for transportation projects. The bill, which was introduced by Rep. Tom Craddick, R-Lubbock, calls for the creation of a Transportation Trust Fund, which would be funded by a sales tax increase of one cent. The money from the trust fund would be used to finance transportation projects throughout the state, including road construction and maintenance, public transit, and rail projects. The bill now goes to the full House for a vote.

OBITUARIES

Los Johnson Prince

Faye Allen, 84, of Shamrock, died April 7, 2004. She was born Dec. 18, 1919, in Shamrock. She is survived by her husband, Charles; two daughters, Mrs. Don Johnson and Mrs. James Johnson; a son, Mr. James Johnson; and three grandchildren. Services were held on April 9, 2004, at Shamrock United Methodist Church. Interment was in Shamrock Cemetery.

Olive Smith

Olive Smith, 96, of Shamrock, died April 7, 2004. She was born April 6, 1908, in Shamrock. She is survived by her cousin, Mrs. Charles Johnson; two daughters, Mrs. Don Johnson and Mrs. James Johnson; and three grandchildren. Services were held on April 9, 2004, at Shamrock United Methodist Church. Interment was in Shamrock Cemetery.

The Sheriff's Report

In an effort to improve safety and efficiency, the Sheriff's Department is implementing a new policy requiring all deputy sheriffs to wear uniforms when on duty. The policy is intended to help the public identify officers and improve communication between officers and the public. The Sheriff's Department has also increased the number of patrols in high-risk areas, and is working with local organizations to provide additional resources and support.

A & M announces scholarship winners

Texas A&M University has announced the winners of its annual scholarship program. The university awarded more than $1 million in scholarships to a total of 200 students. The scholarships are based on academic achievement, leadership, and community service. The recipients include students from all over the state, and range from high school seniors to graduate students.

TEXAS FORESTRY ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES MEETING

The Texas Forestry Association (TFA) has announced its annual meeting for June 2005. The meeting will take place at the Sheraton Hotel in Dallas, and will feature a variety of speakers and topics related to the forestry industry. Additional information about the meeting will be available on the TFA website.

CHS renders TAAS exam

CHS counselors are preparing students for the TAAS exam, which is scheduled for May 11. The exam is required for all high school students in Texas, and is used to determine their readiness for college-level work. CHS counselors are working with students to ensure they are prepared for the exam, and are providing additional resources and support to help them succeed.

ENGINEERING SERVICES PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Carthage is soliciting proposals from qualified individuals or firms for engineering services required by the City for implementation of the Texas Community Development Program. The project is being financed with Federal funds from a grant received by the City from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs. In order to be considered, proposals must be submitted prior to 5:00 p.m. on the 10th day of October, 1997.
Scholarship competition chooses Carthage students as semifinalists

Up for National Merit scholarships are seniors Ashley Williams, Jennifer Stoker, Jenny Mims, Tobi Jones, Rachel Daniel, Aaron Copeland, Emily Qualls, Sabrina Boykin, Erin Price, and Kristin Moore. All are Carthage High School seniors who were selected for the National Merit Scholarship Program.

The National Merit Scholarship Program is a national Merit Scholarship program that recognizes and rewards outstanding scholastic achievement of U.S. high school seniors. It is cosponsored by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation and the education and philanthropic organizations of America.

About 90,000 students are selected as National Merit Scholarship semifinalists from among 1.4 million who take the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. These students, who represent fewer than 5% of all students taking the test, have the highest scholarship potential. About 15,000 of these students are selected as finalists and receive National Merit Scholarships totaling $25 million.

Beta meets for social, luncheon

Calvin Johnson, a Carthage High School senior, announced theBeta Club social luncheon will be held Wednesday at the Beta Club area of the Carthage High School cafeteria. All Beta Club members and their guests are invited to attend. The luncheon will be held at 12:00 noon.

The Beta Club is a national leadership and honors organization that sponsors activities and promotes the growth of leadership and scholarship among its members.

The club's activities include participation in community service projects, participation in academic competitions, and participation in national conferences. The club also provides opportunities for members to develop their leadership skills and to make new friends.

The Beta Club is open to all Carthage High School students who meet the membership requirements set by the national organization. The club meets regularly throughout the school year and members are encouraged to attend all meetings.

The Beta Club's social luncheon provides an opportunity for members to socialize and to celebrate their achievements. The club also provides a chance for members to network with other students and to build relationships that will benefit them throughout their lives.

For more information about the Beta Club, contact the club advisor or visit the club's website.
Lifestyles

GARY NEWS

By Mrs. R. J. Peterson
SPECIAL TO THE PANAMA TIMES

The Panama Church of Christ in Krisu Town, Panama, recently held a fall fair in connection with their annual Youth Revival service. The fair was held in the outdoor area of the church and featured a variety of crafts, games, and food. The proceeds from the fair will be used to support the church's youth programs. The Revival service was held in the evening of the same day, with the theme being "Living in Christ's Victory." The service included music, testimonials, and a message from the Rev. Dr. R. J. Peterson, who is the Senior Pastor of the church. The service was well-attended by members of the church and the community. The church would like to thank all who came and supported the fair and the Revival service.

Silent auction to be held at PESA Oct. meeting

是在九月三日的PESA (People's Educational Society of America)会议上举行。PESA是一个致力于为中美洲地区提供教育和援助的非政府组织。会议将包括一个无声拍卖，其中将会展示各种物品和艺术作品。所有收入都将用于支持PESA的教育项目。这个活动是一个筹集资金的好机会，同时也提供了一个展示创意和才华的平台。请有兴趣的人们来参加这个有意义的活动。

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Lone Star moves Shivers to higher position

Lone Star has announced that it is moving Shivers to a higher position within the company. Shivers has been with the company for several years and has held various positions in the past. His new role will involve overseeing the company's operations and ensuring that the company's goals are met. Shivers has always been a valuable member of the team and his leadership skills will be missed. The company wishes him well in his new role.

Kline to speak at First Christian Church revival

Kline will be speaking at the First Christian Church in the upcoming revival. The church is known for its revival services and attracts people from all over the region. Kline will be speaking on the topic of "Living in Christ's Victory." The service will be held on Saturday, November 10th at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to attend and join in the celebration of God's love and grace.

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RSE to meet

The United School Board meets on Monday, October 1st. The meeting will be held at the school district office. The meeting is open to the public and everyone is welcome to attend. The agenda includes updates on district initiatives, budget considerations, and other important topics. The meeting starts at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to attend.

Senior Nutrition Center Menu

Monday - Spaghetti with meatballs, baked beans, salad, and garlic bread. Tuesday - Roast beef with mashed potatoes, green beans, and applesauce. Wednesday - Chicken and rice casserole with rolls, mixed vegetables, and fruit. Thursday - Hamburger and fries with coleslaw and apple pie. Friday - Tuna salad with crackers, vegetable salad, and water. Saturday - Chicken and noodles. Sunday - Corned beef and cabbage with rice, baked beans, and pumpkin pie. All meals are served with bread and drinks. Meals are served from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Call 504-321-4567 for more information.

Fall Revival at Southside Baptist Church

September 29 - October 4

Sunday - 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Revival Service

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The public is invited! For more information, call 504-321-4567.

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